Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected ketamine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (December 28) seized about 3 kilograms of suspected ketamine with an estimated market value of about \$1.8 million at Hong Kong International Airport.

Two male passengers arrived in Hong Kong from Thailand yesterday. Upon examination of their luggage, Customs officers found suspected ketamine wrapped as snacks. A small amount of suspected ketamine was also found on one of the men's possession. The two men were then arrested.

The arrested men, aged 27 and 29, have each been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. The 29-year-old man was additionally charged with one count of possession of dangerous drugs. They will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts on December 31.

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to the Customs 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

