Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected phenacetin and crack cocaine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (February 25) seized about 1.4 kilograms of suspected phenacetin and about 1.1kg of suspected crack cocaine with a total estimated market value of about \$1.5 million in Tseung Kwan O and Hung Hom.

During an anti-narcotics operation yesterday afternoon, Customs officers intercepted a man in Tseung Kwan O and seized about 500 grams of suspected phenacetin in his residential premises in the district. The 22-year-old man as well as a 17-year-old woman who was inside the premises were then arrested.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers escorted the two arrested persons to a residential premises in Hung Hom where about 900g of suspected phenacetin, 1.1 kilograms of suspected crack cocaine and a batch of drug packaging paraphernalia were further seized.

Investigation is ongoing.

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 Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

