

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled goods (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (July 4) seized a batch of suspected smuggled goods, including 407 smartphones, 12 metal plates, 144 bags of polyester resin and 1 200 pieces of electronic parts, with an estimated market value of about \$900,000 at Lok Ma Chau Control Point.

Customs officers intercepted an outgoing lorry at Lok Ma Chau Control Point for inspection yesterday afternoon and seized the batch of suspected smuggled goods inside a false compartment in the tailgate and the cargo compartment of the lorry. The 55-year-old male driver was arrested.

Investigation is ongoing.

Smuggling is a serious offence. Under the Import and Export Ordinance, any person found guilty of importing or exporting unmanifested cargo is liable to a maximum fine of \$2 million and imprisonment for seven years.

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

