

# [Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled mercury \(with photo\)](#)

Hong Kong Customs today (June 4) seized about 7 000 kilograms of suspected smuggled mercury from a shipping container with an estimated market value of about \$2.8 million at the Kwai Chung Cargo Examination Compound.

Through risk assessment, Customs officers inspected a 40-foot container declared to contain plastic material arriving in Hong Kong from Indonesia. Upon inspection, Customs officers found the suspected smuggled mercury in the container.

Investigation is ongoing.

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](mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk)).

