

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled smartphones (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs today (January 15) seized 488 suspected smuggled smartphones with an estimated market value of about \$1.6 million at Lok Ma Chau Control Point.

Customs officers today intercepted an outgoing private vehicle at Lok Ma Chau Control Point and found the batch of smartphones in a false compartment in the bottom of the vehicle.

The 49-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 Customs 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

