Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled smartphones worth about \$4 million (with photo)

â€<Hong Kong Customs yesterday (February 20) detected a suspected smartphone smuggling case at the Shenzhen Bay Control Point and seized over 400 suspected smuggled smartphones with an estimated market value of about \$4 million.

Customs officers yesterday intercepted an incoming goods vehicle at the Shenzhen Bay Control Point. After inspection, seven carton boxes loaded with suspected smuggled smartphones were found inside one of the consignments on board the vehicle.

After a follow-up investigation, Customs officers conducted a controlled delivery operation and arrested a 29-year-old man, suspected to be connected with the case, on the same day.

Customs will continue to combat cross-boundary smuggling activities with firm enforcement actions based on risk assessment and intelligence analysis.

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).

