

Large heroin seizure in Italy supported by Eurojust

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✘ Last weekend, 270 kg of heroin was seized by Italian Customs agents in the Port of Genoa, Italy, hidden in a container that arrived from Iran, the largest seizure of drugs in Genoa in 20 years. The Italian Police arranged for a portion of the seized drugs to be sent further on its planned route, the first controlled delivery of heroin outside Italy. The drugs travelled by truck through three States, with the Netherlands as the final destination. Two suspects were arrested in the Netherlands.

The long investigation was coordinated between the judicial and law enforcement authorities of five States, with the support of Eurojust, and was organised by the Italian Antimafia District Directorate (*Direzione Distrettuale Antimafia* (Dda)). Information was exchanged with the Central Drug Trafficking Directorate (*Direzione Centrale per I Servizi Antidroga*) and the Italian Police Central Operations Service (Servizio Centrale Operativo della Polizia di Stato).

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