

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **Customs Officers Uncover Major Counterfeit Operation at**

## **Customs Freight Station**



Customs officers at the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) have intercepted a shipment of 2,196 counterfeit goods from Guangzhou, China, at the Customs Freight Station on 8 September. The seizure followed a risk-profiling alert and a full inspection of 37 packages aboard the CMA CGM Mekong.

The haul featured fake products from several luxury brands. Lacoste topped the list with 922 items, including handbags, caps, underwear, and wallets. Louis Vuitton fakes totalled 549 pieces, while Puma-branded t-shirts and shorts accounted for 366. The consignment also contained Tommy Hilfiger and Polo knock-offs, with nearly 360 items combined.

The MRA stressed that such operations protect intellectual property, ensure fair competition, and shield consumers from unsafe counterfeit goods.

Members of the public are reminded that they may report suspected drug cases/illicit activities to the MRA through the MRA Stop Drug Platform (www.mra.mu) or by calling on the Hotline 8958.

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