

MRA SEIZES 1.73 KG OF HEROIN WORTH RS 25.9 MILLION



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) in collaboration with the Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit (ADSU) seized 1.73 kilograms of heroin worth approximately Rs 25,950,000 on Friday 08 July 2022 at a courier service. The drug, addressed to a Mauritian citizen residing Pailles, arrived in Mauritius on British Airways flight BA 2063 on the same day from the United Kingdom.

The courier consignment, declared as artwork, was examined, and was found to contain seven quartz crystal balls which, in turn, revealed the presence of spherical parcels secured with brown cello tape inside each ball. The parcels were found to contain a certain quantity of a whitish powder suspected to be Heroin.

A field test for heroin was carried out on the substance and it revealed to be positive.

Following a controlled delivery operation by ADSU, a foreign national has been arrested. Investigation by ADSU is still ongoing.

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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