

## PRESS RELEASE

## MRA SEIZES 752 GRAMS OF HEROIN WORTH RS 11.2 M AT SSR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA intercepted an Ugandan passenger at the SSR International Airport, on Monday 09 May 2022. The male passenger arrived in Mauritius on board Kenya Airways flight KQ 270 from Nairobi, Kenya.

The passenger purged 54 pellets of heroin weighing 752 grams. The value of the drug is estimated at around Rs 11,280,000.

The passenger, aged 40, was leaving through the Green Channel when he was intercepted by officers of CANS. The passenger was subject to a body search and an examination of his luggage was carried out, but nothing incriminating was found.

A body scan was eventually carried out on the Ugandan and his body scanning images revealed the presence of foreign bodies in his stomach, suspected to be dangerous drugs.

The passenger was handed over to ADSU for further enquiry.

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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