

52.35 G OF CANNABIS SEIZED AT THE SSR AIRPORT



52.35g of cannabis was seized by the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) and the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) on Thursday 24 May 2018 at a Courier Service at the airport. The parcel arrived on board Air Mauritius flight MK 045 from Queensway London, and the consignee is an inhabitant of Trou d'Eau Douce.

The parcel was selected by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA based on risk indicators. The parcel was described as 'Kids Toys' on the manifest but was abnormally heavy. The parcel was scanned and the scanning images appeared to be suspicious. The parcel was opened and found to contain a plush toy inside a gift bag with labelling 'Special Something For You'. The plush toy was cut opened, and compressed greenish leaf matter suspected to be cannabis was found.

Customs Narcotics K9 dog, Seuntjie, was deployed and reacted positively on the parcel. A cannabis field test was also carried out and the result was positive.

The case was referred to ADSU for inquiry and controlled delivery.

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.