

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## MRA SEIZES 2.41 KG OF HEROIN WORTH RS 36M



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 2.41 Kg of Heroin worth around Rs 36,150,000, on Saturday 16 January 2021. The drug was intercepted at SSR International Airport in the luggage of a Ugandan passenger. The passenger arrived in Mauritius from Nairobi via Dubai, on Emirates flight EK 703.

The passenger was profiled by officers of the MRA Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) while she was leaving through the Green Channel. When questioned by MRA, the passenger was incoherent in her reply. Her luggage was scanned and the scanned image was suspicious. The luggage was examined and it was found to contain two black rectangular parcels, each concealing a large quantity of powder. A field test was carried out for heroin and it was positive. Customs Narcotics Sniffer dog 'Milan' reacted positively when deployed on the parcels.

The accused 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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