

MRA INTERCEPTS TWO ZIMBABWEAN DRUG SWALLOWERS



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) intercepted two Zimbabwean passengers, aged 32 and 34 respectively, while they were leaving through Green Channel on Tuesday 12 July 2022 at the SSR International Airport. They arrived in Mauritius on Air Mauritius flight MK 852 from South Africa.

Following their interception, they were subject to a body search and an examination of their luggage was carried out, but nothing incriminating was found. A body scan was eventually, carried out on both passengers and their body scanning images revealed the presence of foreign bodies in their stomachs, suspected to be Heroin. Upon questioning, both passengers confessed having swallowed a number of pellets each.

The passengers were handed over to ADSU for medical examination and for further enquiry.

After the necessary medical examination, the 32 year-old female passenger has purged 64 pellets suspected to be Heroin, worth around Rs 11.7 Million. Whereas, for the male passenger, the purging of drug pellets is still on-going.

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.