

## PRESS RELEASE

## SEIZURE OF AMMUNITIONS AND CIGARETTES AT PORT LOUIS HARBOUR



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) Customs Department seized twelve ammunitions for revolver and twelve cartridges of cigarettes at Port Louis Harbour on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017.

Following a search operation of the Taiwanese Fishing Vessel, SHEN HUI NO2, which was berthed at New Quay Terminal, 12 ammunitions and 12 cartridges of cigarettes were found. They were not declared to the customs by the captain upon arrival.

The live ammunitions, seized by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS), were handed over to the Port Police for enquiry. The captain explained that the ammunitions could have been left behind by Bangladeshi security guards during their fishing time in the Somalia region.

The cigarette cartridges have also been seized and the captain is liable to a payment of about Rs 27 000 for non-declaration of same. The Captain has been arrested by Police.

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