

Hong Kong Customs detects case involving possession of suspected "space oil drug" by passenger (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (March 5) detected a case involving possession of etomidate (the main ingredient of the "space oil drug"), under the Dangerous Drug Ordinance, from an incoming passenger at the Lo Wu Control Point. One vape stick containing the suspected "space oil drug" was seized.

A 20-year-old male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Shenzhen yesterday. During Customs clearance, one vape stick containing the suspected "space oil drug" was found on him. The man was subsequently arrested. The arrested person, who claimed to be unemployed, has been released on bail pending further investigation.

Customs will continue to step up enforcement and combat against the trafficking of the "space oil drug".

Under the Dangerous Drug Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour report hotline 182 8080 or its dedicated crime reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form (eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002).

