

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs seized about 5.9 kilograms of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$7.6 million at the Hong Kong International Airport yesterday (August 24).

A male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Taiwan yesterday morning. During customs clearance, the suspected cocaine was found being concealed inside six photo albums. The man was then arrested.

The arrested man, aged 22, has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. He will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (August 26).

Under the Dangerous Drugs 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 hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

