

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected heroin (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (July 24) seized about 1.6 kilograms of suspected heroin at Hong Kong International Airport with an estimated market value of about \$1.5 million.

A male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia yesterday. During Customs clearance, the batch of suspected heroin was found concealed in his checked-in baggage. The man was then arrested.

The arrested man, aged 21, has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug and will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (July 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).

