

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected "space oil drug" and suspected Part 1 poison (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs detected a case involving possession of etomidate, the main ingredient of the "space oil drug", which is under the Dangerous Drug Ordinance, and possession of "Tadalafil", which is a Part 1 poison under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, by an outgoing passenger at the Lok Ma Chau Control Point on March 14. Five suspected "space oil drug" capsules, sixteen tablets of suspected "Tadalafil" and one vape stick were seized.

Customs officers intercepted an outbound seven-seater private car for clearance at the Lok Ma Chau Control Point on that day. Upon inspection, five suspected "space oil drug" capsules, sixteen tablets of "Tadalafil" and one vape stick were found on a 35-year-old male passenger and his personal belongings. The man was subsequently arrested.

The arrested man has been put on bail pending further investigation.

Customs will continue to step up enforcement and combat against 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.

Under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, any person who possesses any poison included in Part 1 of the Poisons List other than in accordance with provisions commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$100,000 and imprisonment for two years.

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).



