

CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY (based on mass media reports)

14.03. to 27.03.2022

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In the period from 14 to 27 March 2022, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **326 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 24.5 kg, opium – 9.9 kg cannabis group drugs - 206.2 kg and synthetic drugs - 85.3 kg.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

20.03.2022 Employees of the State Border Service on the territory of the Goytepe border outpost near the village of Aranly, Imishli district, detained a resident of the city of Bilasuvar, who seized **8.8 kg of marijuana, 2.8 kg of opium, 1 kg of heroin and 1 kg of methamphetamine.** <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/584849>

23.03.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Jalilabad district detained two men, who were seized **9.2 kg of heroin, 3.6 kg of opium and 6.5 kg of marijuana.** <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/585758>

25.03.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Bilasuvar region detained a man who was seized **14.3 kg of heroin and 1.1 kg of opium.** <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/586131>

26.03.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Barda detained a man who was found and seized **4 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/586389>

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

15.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Nur-Sultan detained a 30-year-old resident of Aktobe, who was found to have **850 g of mephedrone** at his place of residence. https://www.inform.kz/ru/zhitel-aktobe-polgoda-izgotavlival-narkotiki-v-arendovannom-dome_a3911548

17.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Nur-Sultan detained a 44-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **4 kg of hashish** at her place of residence. https://www.inform.kz/ru/policeyskie-nur-sultana-proveli-specoperaciyu_a3912684

25.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Pavlodar detained two local residents who were found and seized **1.2 kg of alpha-PVP** at their place of residence. <https://polisia.kz/ru/bolee-kilogramma-sintetiki-iz-yali-politsejskie-u-pavlodartsev/>

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

14.03.2022 Employees of Correctional Facility No. 27 of the Penitentiary Service in the village of Moldovanovka, Chui region, stopped an attempt to transfer drugs to the colony. On this fact, two local residents were detained, who intended to throw **1.8 kg of marijuana** onto the territory of the institution.

https://24.kg/proisshestviya/227375_pochti_2kilogramma_narkotikov_pyitalis_perebrosit_vkoloniyu_vmoldovanovke/

16.03.2022 Employees of the SBNON Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic in the city of Isfana detained two local residents, who seized **2 kg of opium**.

https://24.kg/proisshestviya/227672_vgorode_isfane_izyata_krupnaya_partiya_opiya/

17.03.2022 Employees of the SBNON of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic at a road post in the Chychkan gorge stopped a Honda car en route from Toktogul district to Bishkek. In the luggage compartment was the engine from the motorcycle. During the autopsy, **650 g of hashish** was found and seized inside the engine.

https://24.kg/proisshestviya/227820_sotrudniki_sbnon_nashli_narkotiki_vtaynike_oborudovannom_vdvigatele_mototsikla/

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

14.03.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Pushkin city district of the Moscow region detained three local residents who had equipped a laboratory for the production of synthetic drugs in a private house. During the search, **20 kg of mephedrone, 100 liters of precursors**, laboratory equipment, containers and chemical reagents were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/28960932>

15.03.2022 Police officers at the 515th kilometer of the M-4 DON highway in the Levoberezhny district of the city of Voronezh stopped a car driven by a 40-year-old resident of the Moscow region. During a search of the car in the engine compartment, **5 kg of mephedrone** was found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29009210>

21.03.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Likhoslavl municipal district of the Tver region detained two local residents who had equipped a laboratory for the production of synthetic drugs in a private house. During the search, **50 kg of mephedrone**, laboratory equipment, containers and chemical reagents were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29082921>

22.03.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the village of Sonino, Moscow Region, detained a 33-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **4.5 kg of mephedrone** at his place of residence. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29129878>

23.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Krasnodar stopped a car driven by a 35-year-old man. During a search of the car inside the passenger compartment, **1 kg of methylefedron** was found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29157474>

23.03.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Novorossiysk, Krasnodar Territory, detained a 29-year-old resident of the Rostov Region, who was seized



1.7 kg of mephedrone. The detainee purchased via the Internet a wholesale batch of a prohibited substance for further sale in a contactless way.

<https://мвд.рф/news/item/29143765>

24.03.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Vsevolozhsk district of the Leningrad region detained a 49-year-old local resident who was engaged in the cultivation of hemp at his place of residence. During the search, **13 kg of cannabis** and **29 hemp bushes** were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29181898>

REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

14.03.2022 Employees of the Drug Control Agency in the course of investigations in the city of Dushanbe detained an organized criminal group that was engaged in drug trafficking. As a result, four citizens of Tajikistan and one citizen of Afghanistan were detained, from whom **12.5 kg of hashish, 400 g of opium, 100 g of methamphetamine** and one Makarov pistol were seized.

<https://asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/laworder/20220311/v-dushanbe-u-prestupnoi-gruppirovki-izyali-svishe-13-kg-narkotikov-i-oruzhie>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

14.03.2022 Employees of the State Customs Committee at the border customs post "Aibek" in the Tashkent region detained a man who, during a personal search, was found and seized **1 kg of hashish**. <https://customs.uz/ru/news/view/7754>

27.03.2022 Employees of the State Customs Committee at the border customs post "Ayritom" in the Surkhandarya region stopped a truck that was supposed to transit through the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan. According to the documents, it was loaded with more than 22 tons of potatoes in 533 bags. During a search of the truck, 1305 units of skillfully disguised bundles in the form of potatoes **154 kg of hashish** were found in 38 bags. <https://customs.uz/ru/news/view/7834>

OTHER COUNTRIES

BRAZIL

16.03.2022 Employees of the Federal Tax Service in the port of Santos, during the inspection of a container with yeast bound for Belgium, found and seized **617 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.gov.br/receitafederal/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2022/marco/receita-federal-apreende>

21.03.2022 Employees of the Federal Tax Service in the port of Santos, during the inspection of a container with a cargo of soy protein bound for the Netherlands, found and seized **454 kg of cocaine** inside bags of soy protein. <https://www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2022/03/policia-federal-e-receita-federal-apreendem-cerca-de-454-kg-de-cocaina-no-porto-de-santos>

GREAT BRITAIN

22.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Netherton stopped a car with two men inside. During the search of the car, **1 kg of heroin** was found and confiscated.
<https://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/news/liverpool-news/kilo-heroin-found-taxi-footwell-23462285>

HONKONG

26.03.2022 Customs officers at the port of Hong Kong during the inspection of a container that arrived from Costa Rica found and seized **120 kg of cocaine** inside a large electrical transformer.
<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202203/26/P2022032500731.htm>

INDIA

20.03.2022 Law enforcement officers in northern India, in the Jwalamukhi region, stopped a truck with boxes of scrap metal. During the search of the truck, **1 kg of methamphetamine and 17 kg of opium** were found and seized.
<https://www.thesangaexpress.com/Encyc/2022/3/24/OSR-CorrespondentsIMPHAL-Mar-23-Maram-Battalion-of-Jwalamukhi-sector-Assam-Rifles-under-IGAR.html>

CANADA

21.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Toronto detained a 36-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **4 kg of cocaine** at his place of residence.
<https://globalnews.ca/news/8698767/4-kilograms-cocaine-seized-markham/>

CAMBODIA

16.03.2022 Officers of the Narcotics Department in the city of Phnom Penh detained three local residents who seized **21 kg of heroin**.
<https://cne.wtf/2022/03/20/trio-caught-with-21kg-heroin-pistol/>

MALAYSIA

18.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Shah Alam detained two local men who were found and seized **468 kg of marijuana** and **10 kg of methamphetamine** at their place of residence. The drugs were brought from Laos.
<https://www.thesundaily.my/local/police-score-another-major-drug-bust-EH8966633>

NIGERIA

20.03.2022 National Drug Law Enforcement Agency officers at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport in Abuja detained a 52-year-old local resident who was found to have **20 kg of black liquid cocaine** in his luggage inside packs of face cream and seized. The detainee was on a flight via Doha, Qatar, to Abuja, Nigeria.
<https://www.channelstv.com/2022/03/20/ndlea-arrests-man-with-20-75kg-of-black-liquid-cocaine-in-abuja/>

UAE

14.03.2022 Police officers, together with customs officers in the port of Khalifa, during the inspection of a consignment bound for European countries, discovered and seized **1.5 tons of heroin** worth 150 million dirhams. <http://wam.ae/en/details/1395303029016>

PAKISTAN

16.03.2022 The Anti-Narcotics Force at Islamabad International Airport detained a man who was found to have **1.3 kg of heroin** in his luggage and seized. <https://nation.com.pk/2022/03/16/anf-asf-recover-1330kg-heroin/>

20.03.2022 Law enforcement officers in the city of Rawalpindi detained six local men who were seized **1.7 kg of heroin** and **2,500 alprazolam tablets**. <https://nation.com.pk/2022/03/20/anf-recovers-1750g-heroin-arrests-6-persons/>

22.03.2022 Drug Enforcement Force (ANF) in Peshawar City stopped a car with two men inside. During a search of the car's luggage, **84 kg of opium** and **36 kg of hashish** were found and seized. The detainees intended to smuggle drugs from Peshawar to Lahore. <https://pakobserver.net/anf-arrests-two-seizes-84kg-opium-and-36kg-hashish/>

PANAMA

19.03.2022 Police officers in the port of Colon during the inspection of a container bound for the Netherlands found and seized **882 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.laestrella.com.pa/nacional/220319/incautan-882-paquetes-presunta-droga-puerto-colon>

SAUDI ARABIA

15.03.2022 Employees of the Tax and Customs Service in the port of Jeddah during the inspection of a caravan (trailer) intended for travel in the cavity of the floor of the caravan trailer found and seized **1.6 million Captagon tablets**. <https://www.spa.gov.sa/viewstory.php?lang=en&newsid=2338521>

USA

19.03.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officials at the port of entry in Brownsville, Texas stopped a Nissan vehicle driven by a 22-year-old US citizen. During the search of the car, **12 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/brownsville-cbp-officers-seize-587k-worth-narcotics-three-seizures>

21.03.2022 Employees of the US Customs and Border Protection at Philadelphia International Airport during the check of the cargo hold of an aircraft that arrived from Jamaica found and seized **8 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/philadelphia-cbp-officers-discover-18-pounds-cocaine-jamaica-airplane>

23.03.2022 Agents from the Rio Grande Valley Border Patrol near La Rosita, Texas found a **102 kg bag of marijuana** worth \$180,000. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/over-450k-worth-narcotics-seized-border-patrol>

25.03.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officers at the port of entry in Brownsville, Texas stopped a Honda vehicle driven by a 28-year-old US citizen. During a search of the car, **15 kg of methamphetamine** was found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/brownsville-cbp-officers-seize-846k-worth-narcotics-two-seizures>

SRI LANKA

21.03.2022 Customs officers in the port of Colombo, during the inspection of a container with metal that arrived from Panama, found and seized **300 kg of cocaine**. <https://ceylontoday.lk/news/cocaine-worth-rs-7b-found-in-four-containers>

ECUADOR

15.03.2022 The Naval Service of Ecuador in the port of Guayaquil, during the inspection of a ship bound for Panama, found and seized **498 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.eluniverso.com/quayaquil/comunidad/decomisan-498-bloques-de-droga-en-buque-que-salio-de-quayaquil-a-panama-nota/>

18.03.2022 Police officers in the city of Guayaquil stopped a truck driven by a local resident. During the search of the truck, **3 tons of cocaine** were found and seized. <https://www.pichinchacomunicaciones.com.ec/decomisan-un-contenedor-con-cerca-de-3-toneladas-de-cocaina/>