# WEEKLY SUMMARY ON THE FACTS OF SEIZURES OF NARCOTIC DRUGS, PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR PRECURSORS

(according to the media)

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In the period from August 22 to 28, 2022, based on information from the media, competent authorities and law enforcement agencies of the CARICC member states from illegal circulation was seized **459 kg**, **435 grams of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances**, including: heroin - **42 kg 120 gr.**, opium - **92kg 759 gr.**, cocaine 1 kg, cannabis group - **91 kg 146 gr.**, **13472 bushes and synthetic drugs - 24 kg 340 gr. and 1752 pieces of tablets**.

In other countries of the world, during the specified period were seized from illicit trafficking 47t 915 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: cocaine - 3t 166 kg, cannabis group - 190kg 933 gr., and synthetic drugs - 1t 659kg 886 grams.

## ON CARICC MEMBER STATES

#### THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/635147

**22.08.2022** Police officers of the Yevlakh District Police Department, during the operational-search activities, detained a local resident Jeyhun Muradov, who, as reported in the Barda regional group of the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, was found and seized as material evidence **1 kg 645 gr. marijuana**, **73 gr. opium**, **64 gr. methamphetamine** and a knife wrapped in cellophane.

**22.08.2022** On August 22, at 20:00, on the official territory of the border outpost near the village of Gazakhlar, Fizuli region, a border patrol noticed a violation of the state border by Iran by an unknown person.

The border outpost was immediately raised at the command "To arms", the territory was blocked. After the border detachment gave the order to "Stop" and opened a warning shot in the air, the violator, throwing the package he was in his hands, fled in the direction of Iran, taking advantage of the dark time of the day. A narcotic substance weighing **4 kilograms 570 grams.** https://www.trend.az/azerbaijan/incident/3636055.html

**23.08.2022** Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Guba region detained a local resident Sasun Yusufov, who, during a personal search and at the place of residence, was found and seized **11 kg 198 gr. marijuana.** <a href="https://ru.oxu.az/society/635538">https://ru.oxu.az/society/635538</a>



23.08.2022 On August 23 at 23:10, employees of the "Astara" border control department and the Southern Territorial General Administration of Customs during a joint inspection of the "Dong-Feng" truck (38-D-43910), driven by an Iranian citizen Babaei Kusalari Sadegh Samad (born 1981) r.) found and seized 15 kg 64 grams of narcotic substances (4085 grams of methamphetamine, 7800 grams of heroin, 2129 grams of opium, 1050 grams of marijuana) and 920 packs of Kent brand cigarettes. https://news.day.az/society/1489875.html

**23.08.2022** Сотрудники управлений полиции Наримановского и Насиминского районов Баку провели операцию на улице Джалила Мамедгулизаде (на территории, известной как "Папанина") и на расположенной поблизости улице Намига Меликова ("Хутор"). Как сообщили в пресс-службе МВД, в результате операции задержаны 15 наркоторговцев. <a href="https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/635512">https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/635512</a>

24.08.2022 Officers of the police departments of the Narimanov and Nasimi districts of Baku carried out an operation on Jalil Mammadgulizade Street (in the territory known as "Papanina") and on Namig Melikov Street ("Farm") located nearby. According to the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, as a result of the operation, 15 drug dealers were detained. https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/635512

**08/24/2022** Over the past 20 days, employees of the Main Department for Combating Drugs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Azerbaijan have carried out operational activities in the capital and regions to combat drug trafficking and the cultivation of drug-containing plants.

According to the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, during the operations carried out by police officers, 19 members of an organized group were detained, who smuggled narcotic substances into the country, cultivated drug-containing plants, organized online drug sales and involved minors in drug trafficking. In total, **154 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances**, **1,752 tablets with a psychotropic composition**, **3,739 cultivated cannabis bushes** and 33 cartridges for the Makarov pistol were found in these persons.

Based on the information received during the special operations carried out in Baku and the regions, Agil Agazade, Alizade Bakhshiyev and Azim Azimov were detained. In total, **103 kg of hard drugs** were found in the cars they drove, as well as in the houses where they lived, **including 34 kg of heroin, 14 kg of opium, 15 kg of methamphetamine, 40 kg of marijuana**, electronic scales, cash funds received from the sale of drugs, and plastic cards used in the online sale. The main goal of these persons was not only the sale of drugs smuggled into the country, but also the involvement of new people in drug trafficking under the guise of easy money.

It should be noted that in addition to the land plot of Azim Azimov, located in the Sabunchu district, equipped with an irrigation, ventilation and landscaping system, **3,724 hemp bushes** were found in the agrotechnical order.

In continuation of the operational activities carried out during the specified period, 16 more people who organized the sale of drugs were detained. They seized 51 kg of various narcotic drugs and other material evidence relevant to the case. https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/635991

**25.08.2022** Employees of the Agjabadi District Police Department detained two local residents, Ilgar Guliyev and Afiz Mirzoyev, suspected of cultivating narcotic plants. This was reported in the Barda regional group of the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

When inspecting the courtyard of I. Guliyev's house, **41 hemp and marijuana bushes** were found and seized, and when examining the sown area belonging to A. Mirzoev, located in the territory of the village of Minakhorlu, **14 cannabis bushes were found.** https://ru.oxu.az/society/636275

On August 26, 2022, at 03:05, on the territory of the border outpost of the Goytepe border detachment, located near the village of Arazbar in the Bilasuvar region, the border detachment serving in the territory noticed suspicious actions of a person who was trying to cross from the Islamic Republic of Iran in the direction of Azerbaijan.

This was reported in the press center of the State Border Service (SBS).

The border outpost was immediately raised at the command "To arms", the territory was taken under control. As a result of border search and operational activities, the suspect, who did not obey the order of the border detachment "stop", was detained while trying to escape from the scene. During a personal search, 18 kg 385 gr. narcotic drugs (14 kg 755 gr. marijuana and 3 kg 630 gr. opium).

https://media.az/society/1067873865/pogranichniki-azerbaydzhana-zaderzhali-narkokurera-s-18-kg-narkotikov/

**26.08.2022** Employees of the 16th department of the Narimanov District Police Department of Baku carried out an operation on Namig Melikov Street, known as "Khutor".

According to the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, as a result, 13 drug dealers were detained, who were handed over to the investigation. Criminal cases were initiated against 10 of them, three people were punished administratively. https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/636587

# REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

**25.08.2022** At the 12th kilometer of the Kyzylorda-Zhekazgan highway, at the Aktai post, the inspector-cynologist of the Canine Service Center of the Kyzylorda region stopped a Hyundai Elantra car driven by a resident of the capital. During the inspection of the car, a service dog found **marijuana with a total weight of 1014.87 grams** in the trunk in a travel bag.https://polisia.kz/ru/154-spichechnyh-korobka-s-narkotikami-obnaruzhila-sluzhebnaya-sobaka/

**25.08.2022** During the operational and preventive measures "Karasora", a 28-year-old cook of the restaurant was detained by the staff of the Office for Combating Drug Crime of the Aktobe Police Department. During a personal search, eight bundles were seized, presumably the narcotic substance "marijuana". Also, during a search in a restaurant, 15 polyethylene bundles of drugs were found at the detainee's workplace. Further, at the place of residence of the detainee, a package was seized, inside of which there were 33 bundles of a green vegetable substance. The total weight of seized narcotic drugs - **marijuana - was more than 1 kg.** 

https://polisia.kz/ru/povar-zanimalsya-sbytom-narkotikov-v-aktobe/

**25.08.2022** During the operational and preventive measures "Karasora - 2022", employees of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Police Department of Shymkent identified a local resident who illegally grows cannabis in a large size in his yard, Polisia.kz reports. 636 bushes of a narcotic plant were confiscated from a 57-year-old man. **The total weight was 47.5 kg** 

https://polisia.kz/ru/svyshe-600-kustov-konopli-obnaruzheno-vo-dvore-doma-zhitelya-shymkenta/

#### **REPUBLIC OF KYRGYZSTAN**

**22.08.2022** Police officers in the city of Balykchy detained 41-year-old D.A. for selling drugs. During a search in the barn of the house, a box with dried grass and an iron container were found, where there was a substance with a specific smell of wild hemp. The examination showed that the seized substances are **hashish**, **weighing 174 grams**. <a href="https://24.kg/proisshestvija/242997">https://24.kg/proisshestvija/242997</a> vbalyikchi umujchinyi vsarae obnarujili gashish ego zaderjali/

**24.08.2022** On June 1, 2022, within the framework of pre-trial proceedings, at the intersection of L. Tolstoy and S. Ibraimov streets, c. "Z.E." from whom a plastic bag with a psychotropic substance "Alpha-PVP" weighing 95 grams was found and seized in his purse. When carrying out further investigative and operational activities at the place of temporary residence "Z.E." an urgent search was carried out, during which chemical substances and devices for the production of synthetic drugs (liquids, ingredients, scales, containers, a respirator, etc.) were found and seized in one of the rooms equipped as a drug laboratory. In addition, the detainee showed the hiding place, in which he had previously laid a bookmark with the psychotropic substance "**Alpha-PVP**" weighing **347g.** The total weight of the seized psychotropic substances "**Alfa-PVP**" amounted to **471 grams**, in the amount of more than 1,500,000 soms, and 6 canisters with a brown substance with a specific odor were also seized. According to the conclusion of the State Sanitary and Epidemiological Service under the Ministry of Justice of the Kyrgyz Republic, 2 canisters contained p/v A PVP in liquid form, and 4 canisters contained ingredients for their preparation. https://mvd.gov.kg/news/1224

# **RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**22.08.2022** In the Vyazemsky district of the Khabarovsk Territory, police officers detained a suspect in the illegal cultivation and storage of narcotic plants. During the inspection of the attacker's site, the police found and seized 860 hemp bushes, which the woman had sown and grown in her garden. Plantings grew among the weeds, so they were securely hidden from prying eyes. In addition, on the porch of the house, the suspect kept an

enameled bucket and a plastic bag with already collected and dried plant tops. According to the results of the examination, the seized is **marijuana**, the weight of which in dried form was more than **360 grams**.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31930397/

**22.08.2022** Drug control officers of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Altai Territory received information that three citizens who legally arrived in our country from another state for the purpose of work purchased a batch of prohibited substances and plan to engage in criminal business. The suspects were detained in Barnaul, where they rented an apartment. During the inspection of the premises using a service dog, a cache was found in the floor, from which the police seized 626 bundles with unknown substances.

According to the study, the bags contained about **180 grams of synthetic drugs** and more than **320 grams of heroin**. The total weight of the confiscated amounted to over 500 grams.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31932775/

**22.08.2022** Employees of the drug control department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the city of Penza received operational information about the involvement of a local resident in drug trafficking.

During a search of the suspect's home, the police found and seized 4 cardboard boxes and 10 gripper bags with dark green vegetable substance. Also, at the suspect's summer cottage, located in the village of Staraya Kamenka, the police found and seized a bag with a crushed green substance, as well as three boxes with plant parts. In the attic of the barn, law enforcement officers found a crushed mass and bushes of plants. Also on the garden plot, investigators found 54 pots with cultivated cannabis plants.

Everything seized was sent for examination to the forensic center of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Penza region. According to the expert's conclusions, the seized substance is a narcotic drug of **marijuana weighing about 4 kilograms**, parts of the plants are a narcotic drug of hemp weighing about 5 kg, and the seized bushes are narcotic plants of the hemp genus in the amount of 54 pieces.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31936014/

**23.08.2022** In the course of operational activities, employees of the drug control department identified a resident of the Yaroslavl region, born in 1982, suspected of involvement in drug trafficking. On the territory adjacent to the house at the place of residence of the man, two polymer bags with a substance of plant origin were seized, as well as **30 plant bushes**.

In the course of a study by the ECC of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs for the Yaroslavl Region, it was established that the seized substance was **hemp weighing about 4 kg 750 gr.** (in terms of the dried form), the seized plants are cannabis bushes.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31959342/

**23.08.2022** On the M-4 Don highway, employees of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs for the city of Kashira and the 16th battalion of the 2nd regiment of the UGIBDD of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Moscow Region on suspicion of drug trafficking detained a 31-year-old resident of the Stavropol Territory, who was traveling along the highway as a passenger in a car.

During a personal search by the police, a cardboard box and a package with a powdery substance were found and seized in the attacker's sports backpack.

According to the results of a chemical study, it was established that their contents are a prohibited psychotropic substance - **cocaine with a total mass of more than 1 kilogram.** 

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31957230/

**24.08.2022** Employees of the drug control unit of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Bikinsky district, together with colleagues from the Border Directorate of the Federal Security Service of Russia for the Khabarovsk Territory and the Jewish Autonomous Region, discovered three centers of wild-growing hemp near the village of Kozlovka. The total area occupied by marijuana was 400 square meters.

The police liquidated the discovered forbidden plants by cutting and burning. A total of **5,900 cannabis bushes** have been destroyed. Their total weight was about four tons. <a href="https://mbg.pd/news/item/31981615/">https://mbg.pd/news/item/31981615/</a>

**24.08.2022** In the Kemerovo region, police seized more than 5.2 kg of marijuana from a local resident. Working as part of the operational and preventive operation "Poppy - 2022", the employees of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs for the Belovsky District received information that a resident of the village of Evtino was involved in drug trafficking. Upon verification, this information was confirmed.

The police found in the outbuildings belonging to a local resident, dried grass with a characteristic smell of hemp. The study showed that the mass of seized **marijuana was more than 5.2 kg**. The 43-year-old owner of the dwelling explained that he collected hemp near the village of Evtino for his own consumption.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31989079/

**24.08.2022** Employees of the POC of the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Yeisk District, together with the branch in the city of Yeisk of the Federal Security Service of Russia for the Krasnodar Territory, promptly received information that

three residents of the Slavyansky District aged 20 to 25 years old may be involved in drug trafficking. Upon verification, the information was confirmed.

Police officers found that the attackers purchased large quantities of prohibited substances on the Internet. After that, the 20-year-old suspect packed up drugs, and two of her accomplices sold them through hiding places. On the territory of the city of Yeysk, law enforcement officers documented 18 facts of the sale of N-methylephedron, mephedrone and hashish with a total weight of more than 50 grams.

As a result of examining the place of residence of the suspects, police officers, with the power support of the special forces of the UNK Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Krasnodar Territory, found and seized about 50 bags of **N-methylephedron**, weighing 115 grams, a container with mephedrone, weighing more than 30 grams, less than a gram of hashish, as well as tablets methamfamin and MDMA.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/31989378/

**25.08.2022** As part of the regional interdepartmental complex operational and preventive operation "Mak-2022", employees of the Drug Control Directorate of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Kemerovo Region, with the power support of the Grom special forces and with the participation of traffic police inspectors, carried out an operation to detain a drug courier.

On the highway in the Topkinsky district, the police stopped the car in which the suspect was traveling. According to operational data, the drug dealer, who turned out to be a repeatedly convicted 43-year-old resident of Kemerovo, was supposed to deliver a large consignment of prohibited substances to Kemerovo.

When examining the interior of the car, packages with narcotic drugs were found. A study conducted at the Forensic Center of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Kemerovo Region showed that the driver was transporting about **4 kg of marijuana and 2 kg of amphetamine**. The police found that the drugs were intended for sale on the territory of Kuzbass in a non-contact way.

**26.08.2022** During the operational-search activities, the police detained a native of Megion, born in 1992, who manufactured and kept a narcotic substance.

As a result of a personal search, 4 zip-locks with a light-colored substance were found and seized from the defendant. According to the conclusion of the chemical-toxicological examination, the seized substance is a narcotic drug containing **395 grams of mephedrone**.

https://мвд.рф/news/item/32033801/

https://мвд.pф/news/item/32012899/\

**26.08.2022** As a result of operational-search activities, employees of the Drug Control Department of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Moscow Region, together with colleagues from the State Tax Committee of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the city of. Chekhov, a 43-year-old resident of the Krasnogorsk district, suspected of selling narcotic drugs, was detained with the power support of the Thunder DPS of the UNK of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Moscow Region.

During a personal search, a mobile phone with geographic coordinates indicating the location of the hiding place was found on her. During the inspection of this cache in a forest near the village of Grishenki, a transparent polymer bundle with a light-colored substance was discovered and seized. Also, a visit was made to the place of residence of the suspect, where a polymer bag with a similar substance was seized. According to the results of a chemical study conducted by an expert of the ECC of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Moscow Region, it was found that their contents are the narcotic drug **mephedrone with a total weight of more than 2 kilograms.** https://mbd.pd/news/item/32034627/

**26.08.2022** As a result of operational-search activities, employees of the Main Directorate for Drug Control of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia, together with operatives from the UNK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Novgorod Region, on the M-11 Neva highway, detained a 40-year-old suspect in an attempt to sell the drug «mephedrone» on a large scale.

The prohibited substance was hidden under the front passenger seat in the passenger compartment of a Mitsubishi car, in which he traveled along the roads of the Novgorod region in the direction of Moscow in order to sell the drug.

A study conducted at the Forensic Center of the Regional Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs confirmed that the white substance seized by operatives in the cabin of a foreign car is a narcotic drug with a total weight of over **2 kilograms**. https://mbg.pd/news/item/32044679/

**28.08.2022** Employees of the drug control department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Anzhero-Sudzhensky urban district received operational information that a 40-year-old local resident with a previous conviction is in possession of prohibited substances.

As a result of a complex of operational-search measures, the police detained the suspect on one of the streets of the city. The man was under the influence of drugs. He had a bag with the leaves of a drug-containing plant with him. In addition, police officers found and confiscated a batch of cannabis in the detainee's home. The expert examination confirmed that the seized substance was **marijuana with a total weight of more than 2 kg.** https://mbg.pd/news/item/32045103/

## **ON OTHER COUNTRIES**

## **GERMANY**

**26.08.2022** A fruit and vegetable supplier in the German state of Brandenburg found **660 kilograms of cocaine** in a shipment of bananas, police said on Monday. Law enforcement officers seized drugs, the total value of which is about 50 million euros.

According to investigators, last week a trader contacted the police, who found "blocks of white matter" in a load of bananas delivered to him.

Experts found out that the powder is cocaine, it was packaged in cling film, each package weighed about a kilogram. As the police established, the shipment of bananas to Brandenburg was delivered by mistake - the party followed from Colombia by sea.

. https://sputnik.by/20220829/poltonny-kokaina-nashli-sredi-bananov-v-germanii-1066243037.html

## **MEXICO**

**11.08.2022-12.08.**2022 On August 11, the Mexican army seized almost **1.5 tons of methamphetamine and 149 kg of powdered fentanyl** in the northern border state of Sonora

https://www.epochtimes.ru/mir/severnaya-america/meksikanskie-voennye-konfiskovali-narkotiki-perevozimye-v-gruzovike-s-fruktovym-sokom-159676/

## **PAKISTAN**

**22.08.2022** In Lahore (north-eastern province of Punjab) of Pakistan, as a result of two special operations, a consignment of narcotic substances with a total weight of **42,900 kg** was seized.

https://iz.ru/1383129/2022-08-22/okolo-43-tonn-narkotikov-iziali-na-severo-vostoke-pakistana

#### USA

**23.08.2022** the St. Clair County Sheriff's Office (SCCSO) announced drug seizures and arrests.

At 2:30 am on August 18, the truck crossed the Blue Water Bridge and arrived in Michigan, according to SCCSO. Later, the same truck was seen outside a closed facility in Columbus, where drugs were reportedly loaded from the truck into a van.

Truckdriver, a 23-year-old Canadian resident and a 27-year-old Detroit resident, were arrested.

Authorities seized **348 pounds of marijuana and 24 pounds of ecstasy.** According to police, the street value of the seized drugs is more than \$1 million.

https://chicago24online.com/trucks/v-michigane-policiya-arestovala-chetveryh-v-svyazi-s-operaciej-po-kontrabande-narkotikov-na-summu-1-mln-dollarov-s-ispolzovaniem-traka/

# **ECUADOR**

**21.08.2022** National Police confiscated about 2.3 tons of cocaine destined for Europe in the port of Guayaquil.

According to the report, the police received information that drugs were hidden in a container of bananas sent to the port for export. As a result of the inspection, a team with sniffer dogs found 92 boxes with 2,300 rectangular bags marked "coffee".

The police found inside the container **2.3 tons of cocaine**, equal to 23 million doses. The truck driver was detained and is under investigation.

https://riafan.ru/23601840-v ekvadore iz yali tri tonni kokaina za dva dnya

**25.08.2022** During an operation carried out on the Duran-Tambo road, Guayas, law enforcement officers stopped a car driven by an Ecuadorian citizen. During the inspection of this car, **38 kg of cocaine** were hidden in the double bottom of the car.

https://twitter.com/PoliciaEcuador?ref\_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1422356150981386244%7Ctwgr%5E6cd777e17618863a2634d8e48ceb40185d25a40a%7Ctwcon%5Es2 &ref\_url=https%3A%2F%2Friafan.ru%2F1500187-vlasti-ekvadora-izyali-krupneishuyu-partiyu-kokaina-v-gruze-tunca

**27.08.2022** Law enforcement officers in Sangolki Pichincha detained a citizen who was found and seized **8 kg 128 gr. marijuana**.

https://twitter.com/PoliciaEcuador?ref\_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1422356150981386244%7Ctwgr%5E6cd777e17618863a2634d8e48ceb40185d25a40a%7Ctwcon%5Es2 &ref\_url=https%3A%2F%2Friafan.ru%2F1500187-vlasti-ekvadora-izyali-krupneishuyu-partiyu-kokaina-v-gruze-tunca

**28.08.2022** Law enforcement officers seized **168,000 grams of cocaine,** which were found in a disquised double bottom of a van.

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**28.08.2022** Law enforcement officers in the El Capote Carchi sector detained an Ecuadorian citizen who had **24 kg 955 gr. marijuana**.

https://twitter.com/PoliciaEcuador?ref\_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E142235 6150981386244%7Ctwgr%5E6cd777e17618863a2634d8e48ceb40185d25a40a%7Ctwcon%5Es2 &ref\_url=https%3A%2F%2Friafan.ru%2F1500187-vlasti-ekvadora-izyali-krupneishuyu-partiyu-kokaina-v-gruze-tunca