

*Unofficial translation***CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(based on mass media reports)

**27.05-02.06.2019****№ 22****CARICC MEMBER STATES****RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**27.05.2019** Officers of ONK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia "Borovichsky" in the Novgorod region stopped a car with two suspects in drug trafficking - a 42-year-old resident of Veliky Novgorod and her acquaintance. During inspection of the car in the cabin and in personal belongings of the suspects, **methamphetamine and amphetamine with a total weight of more than 300 g** were found. The man supplied prohibited substances from St. Petersburg for subsequent sale in the Novgorod region. In the course of further operational activities and investigative actions, police discovered a special cache, from which they seized almost **500 g of methamphetamine** prepared for marketing. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/17034221>

**29.05.2019** Officers of OMVD of Russia in the Uglichsky district of the Yaroslavl region detained a 29-year-old man suspected of selling narcotic drugs, from whom a parcel with **970 g of heroin** was seized during a personal search. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/17058632>

**29.05.2019** Officers of UNK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Tambov region on the territory of Tambov in the act of organizing a network of caches of drugs arrested a citizen of a nearby country. The man illegally stored by himself and at his place of residence **453 g of heroin** prepared for marketing on the territory of the Tambov region. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/17072976>

**29.05.2019** Officers of UNK of Interior Ministry in the Udmurt Republic in Izhevsk detained a 25-year-old man. In the cabin of the car on which he moved, a bundle with **4 kg of hashish** was found. During a search in the apartment of the suspect, another **45 g of amphetamine and 250 tablets** containing prohibited substances were found. The man came from the Krasnodar Territory to engage in illegal activities in the field of drug trafficking. Through the Internet he acquired large quantities of prohibited substances, packed them up, later sold them on the territory of Izhevsk by means of equipping caches. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/17064063>

**OTHER COUNTRIES****AFGHANISTAN**

**30.05.2019** Afghan national police officers in the central province of Logar, during individual military operations conducted by the Afghan national police in Mohammad Agha, the regions of Hoshi and the city of Pul-elam, discovered **20 kg of heroin and 24 kg of hashish**. Four people accused of drug transfer were arrested. <http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/38217-dozens-kg-heroin-hashish-discover-in-logar.html>

## BELARUS

**27.05.2019** Officers of GPK of the Republic of Belarus in the checkpoint "Bruzgi" located in the Grodno region on the border with Poland detained a 31-year-old Russian citizen who tried to import more than **14 kg of hashish** hidden in a Lexus car to Belarus. On this fact a criminal case was instituted.

<https://news.tut.by/society/639604.html>

## BELGIUM

**26.05.2019** Officers of the Federal Judicial Police of Antwerp in cooperation with the customs and shipping police in the port of Vaasland arrested five citizens of Albania, members of an organized criminal group engaged in opening containers used to transport large quantities of cocaine. Three Albanians aged 30, 35 and 40 years old were arrested on the night of May 25-26. They were found carrying two sports bags containing **42.8 kg of cocaine**, a sports bag with work tools and several empty sports bags. On the night of May 27-28, two more Albanians were apprehended. In the course of further investigation, a consignment of **138 kg of cocaine** was found in customs refrigerated containers. Two suspects aged 24 and 32 were arrested by the investigative judge in Dendermonde at the request of the prosecutor for East Flanders.

[https://www.nieuwsblad.be/cnt/dmf20190531\\_04438927](https://www.nieuwsblad.be/cnt/dmf20190531_04438927)

## BRAZIL

**26.05.2019** Agents of the Federal Revenue Service at Guarulhos Airport inside the housing of a domestic oven found hidden **3 kg of cocaine**. The item was issued as passenger baggage from South Africa. A passenger was traveling to the city of Cotonou (Benin). Drug trafficker was arrested on charges of international drug trafficking.

<http://receita.economia.gov.br/sobre/acoes-e-programas/acoes-da-receita-federal/noticias/2019/maio/8a-regiao-fiscal/receita-federal-apreende-cocaina-dentro-de-forno-no-aeroporto-de-guarulhos>

**27.05.2019** Federal police officers in the port of Santos, on the coast of São Paulo, in a refrigerated container heading to Rotterdam (Netherlands) with a cargo of frozen meat found and confiscated **332 kg of cocaine**. No one was arrested. As a result of customs surveillance, a refrigerated container with signs of violation was found on the left bank of the port in Guaruj, with black bags of cocaine inside. The consignment was transferred to the Federal Police for further investigation.

<http://www.segurancaportuariaemfoco.com.br/2019/05/mais-de-300-kg-de-cocaina-sao-achados.html>

**28.05.2019** Federal police officers in Santos, on the coast of São Paulo, arrested a 32-year-old businessman on suspicion of involvement in international drug trafficking, who organized shipment of over **700 kg of cocaine** to Europe. He owns three companies, two of which are related to foreign trade. Drug was detected by the Federal Tax Service. Meanwhile, the Federal Police are investigating his involvement in an attempt to ship **760 kg of cocaine** to Belgium. Illegal transport was intercepted at the port of Santos in February 2017 during a joint operation with the Federal Tax Service.

<http://www.segurancaportuariaemfoco.com.br/2019/05/pf-prende-empresario-suspeito-de-enviar.html>

**01.06.2019** Agents of the Internal Revenue Service in the port of Santos, on the coast of São Paulo, in a refrigerator container with a load of sweet potatoes, found and seized **460 kg of cocaine**. The cargo was bound for the port of Rotterdam (the Netherlands). No person was arrested. Drug traffickers placed cocaine in a container without the consent or knowledge of the owner of the declared cargo. <https://g1.globo.com/sp/santos-regiao/porto-mar/noticia/2019/06/01/quase-meia-tonelada-de-cocaina-e-encontrada-em-conteiner-com-batata-doce-em-sp.ghtml>

## IRAN

**01.06.2019** Police officers during a special operation in the city of Malard conducted in cooperation with the police of western Tehran arrested a suspect in drug smuggling. **96 kg of opium and 6 kg of hashish** were found and seized in his house. <https://en.mehrnews.com/news/145951/102-kg-of-drugs-seized-in-Malard>

**02.06.2019** Border services of the provinces of Sistan and Baluchistan seized about **2 tons 195 kg of opium**. Police engaged in a shootout with a large gang trying to smuggle drugs into the country through three different border points. During the operation, two criminals were detained, two pick-up vehicles, nine motorcycles, a significant amount of weapons and ammunition were confiscated. During May this year, more than 20 tons of various illegal drugs were seized in the provinces of Sistan and Balochistan. <https://en.mehrnews.com/news/145979/Border-guards-bust-big-drug-trafficking-ring-in-SE-Iran>

## SPAIN

**27.05.2019** Spanish National Police officers in the port of Barcelona seized **5 tons 86 kg of cocaine**. A consignment of cocaine was found in three containers. Six port workers were arrested. The first container carried **643 kg of cocaine**, the second - **2 tons 443 kg**. A subsequent survey of the cargo terminal allowed identification of the third container, which contained **2 tons of cocaine**. Suspects who worked at the port company forced cocaine containers to move to less secure places. Searches were conducted in seven locations, resulting in the seizure of 27,370 euros in cash, six cars, telephones and computers. The investigation began in January 2019 in cooperation with the Italian Guardia de Finanza de Italia and the Colombian authorities after receiving information about upcoming large supply of cocaine to Barcelona.

<https://www.crimesite.nl/vijf-ton-cocaine-in-haven-van-barcelona-video/>

<https://www.agenciatributaria.es/AEAT.internet/Inicio/ componentes / Notas de prensa/Intervenidas mas de cinco toneladas de cocaina en tres contendedores del Puerto de Barcelona.shtml>

[https://www.policia.es/prensa/20190527\\_1.html#](https://www.policia.es/prensa/20190527_1.html#)

**29.05.2019** Spanish police stopped criminal business of cocaine smuggling from Colombia. Cocaine was mixed with industrial plastic granules in order to exclude its detection during customs inspection. Subsequently, the granules in three specially designed laboratories on the territory of Spain were chemically removed. Twelve people were arrested as part of the operation, which the police called the country's largest seizure of cocaine processing infrastructure. One of the laboratories located in Madrid and Toledo was able to produce up to 500 kg of cocaine per month, while the other two produced smaller amounts. As an ingredient in plastic granules, which are used to make items such as bottle caps and food containers, cocaine cannot be detected during routine customs checks. Chemicals and

special equipment were used to extract cocaine in processing laboratories. The criminal organization was run by a family of Colombian origin, whose leader lived in a luxurious house on the outskirts of Madrid. Three Colombian cocaine extraction experts were brought to work in one of the laboratories within 10 days. Police seized **600 kg of granules, 30 kg of coca paste** and a large amount of chemicals. <https://www.euronews.com/2019/05/29/spanish-police-bust-drug-ring-that-smuggled-cocaine-laced-plastic>

## CHINA

**29.05.2019** Customs agents at Hong Kong International Airport in the baggage of a 61-year-old resident of the Tuen Moon area, who returned from Johannesburg (South Africa), found **6.4 kg of cocaine**. The drug was hidden in water filter cartridges. Drug trafficker was arrested. <https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3012314/hong-kong-customs-seize-hk6-million-suspected-cocaine>

## COLOMBIA

**28.05.2019** Colombian Navy units in coordination with the national police conducted a special operation to inspect a sailing ship “Campeador” under the flag of Belgium, which was located in the waters of the Magdalen Department. **90 kg of cocaine hydrochloride** were found and seized on board. The vessel with a crew of two, one of which is a citizen of Mexico, was escorted to Barranquilla for further legal proceedings. <https://www.armada.mil.co/es/content/armada-colombia-y-policia-nacional-incautan-cocaina-bordo-un-velero>

**01.06.2019** Colombian Navy units in Turbo, in the Bay of Uraba, Antioquia Municipality, carried out a seizure of **700.49 kg of cocaine hydrochloride** transported on board a merchant vessel “Hellas Beefer”. Drugs were found during an inspection conducted by staff at the Uraba Coast Guard Station. A total of 28 black bags were found containing 700 packs of cocaine, hidden in a freight container. The ship was sent to England with a cargo of cocaine for sale on the European market. Market value of the consignment on the international black market exceeds \$ 42 million. <http://zonacero.com/judiciales/incautan-700-kilogramos-de-cocaina-en-el-golfo-de-uraba-128486>

## MEXICO

**28.05.2019** A truck was detained carrying 280 packages of **cocaine** with a total weight of more than **310 kg** during a military operation on the highway Chetumal-Felipe-Carrillo-Puerto. Narcotic drug was seized. In addition, during the operation two Kenworth semi-trailers and two SUVs were confiscated. Four Mexican citizens were taken into custody. <https://www.riviera-maya-news.com/military-seize-over-310000-kilos-of-cocaine-in-south-of-state/2019.html>

## NIGERIA

**27.05.2019** The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja, detained a 33-year-old citizen of Kenya in an attempt to smuggle **6.5 kg of cocaine** in hand luggage. The suspect was delayed on arrival on board an Ethiopian flight to Abuja from South Africa. Cocaine was hidden in a false bottom of a travel bag. <https://theeagleonline.com.ng/ndlea-nabs-kenyan-mother-of-two-with-6-5kg-of-cocaine/>

## PAKISTAN

**01.06.2019** Anti-Narcotic Force (ANF), based on 28 anti-drug operations, seized 101 kg of drugs on the international market worth 363 million rupees, of which **79.06 kg of hashish, 15.185 kg of heroin, 3.166 kg of amphetamine (ice), 3.082 kg of methamphetamine (ice) and 1 kg of opium**. 31 criminals were arrested, including two women, four cars were confiscated. <https://www.urdupoint.com/en/pakistan/anf-seizes-101-kg-drugs-in-28-operations-arr-634349.html>

## PORTUGAL

**02.06.2019** In the course of an international investigation in the fight against illicit drug trafficking on the high seas conducted by the criminal investigation police in the Azores and the National Drug Trafficking Unit, three members of the yacht crew from the Caribbean - citizens of Montenegro, Croatia and Great Britain – were detained in Orta marina. A search of the yacht on board found **592 kg of cocaine**. The investigation was assisted by the Maritime Analysis and Operational Center for Drugs (MAOC-N) based in Lisbon and also the authorities of Spain, France, Italy and Montenegro. <https://www.theportugalnews.com/news/600kg-of-cocaine-found-on-vessel/49769>

## USA

**28.05.2019** A police patrol in Red Bluff, California on highway I-5, north of Hooker Creek, stopped a speeding vehicle that was driven by a 17-year-old resident of Albany, Oregon. During inspection of the vehicle, **488 g of heroin** were found and seized. The driver was arrested for possession for the purpose of selling a controlled substance and was placed in a juvenile detention center in Tehama district. <https://krctv.com/news/tehama-county/chp-over-one-pound-of-heroin-seized-in-red-bluff>

**28.05.2019** Police detectives on fight against drugs Columbus, Ohio as a result of execution of three search warrants in three different residences seized **3.25 kg of cocaine** and about 40 thousand US dollars in cash. The investigation resulted in four men being charged with a criminal offense. <https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/over-3-kilos-of-cocaine-seized-from-local-drug-trafficking-ring/2041463105>

**28.05.2019** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in the port of Andrade, California, detained a 41-year-old US citizen trying to smuggle 153 packages of **crystal methamphetamine with a total weight of 50.8 kg** inside the spare wheel and gas tank of a Dodge Ram truck. Worth of the consignment exceeds 179 thousand US dollars. The driver, a resident of Scottsdale, Arizona, was arrested. Drugs and car were confiscated. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-andrade-port-intercept-153-packages-crystal-meth-concealed>

**29.05.2019** Police in Stockton, Massachusetts discovered **600 g of fentanyl, about 700 g of cocaine**, and a gun with ammunition as a result of a residential search. All four are held accountable for illegal cocaine trafficking, fentanyl trafficking, conspiracy to violate drug laws and possession of firearms without a license. <https://patch.com/massachusetts/stoughton/4-arrested-3-pound-fentanyl-cocaine-bust-stoughton-police>

**30.05.2019** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the Dennis DeConconi junction located in Tucson, Arizona, detained a 29-year-old Mexican citizen while attempting to smuggle **23.13 kg of methamphetamine** into the United States from Mexico. Drugs were hidden in all four doors of the car. The cost of the consignment is estimated at 152 thousand US dollars. Drugs and car were confiscated. The driver was arrested and transferred to the US Homeland Security Investigations. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-seize-152k-worth-methamphetamine>

**30.05.2019** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at a pedestrian crossing in Tucson, Arizona, detained a 15-year-old US citizen in an attempt to smuggle two packs of **methamphetamine with a total weight of 1.36 kg** into the US from Mexico. The girl fastened the bundles under her clothes on her body. Market value of the drugs is 8 thousand US dollars. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/port-san-luis-cbp-officers-intercept-teen-body-carrier>

**30.05.2019** US border patrol agents in San Clemente, California on two separate occasions arrested two women suspected of drug smuggling. In the first incident, agents patrolling Interstate 5 near San Clemente encountered a 23-year-old US citizen driving a Chevy Silverado car. During a search of the car in a bag in the front seat, two bags of **heroin with a total weight of 2.09 kg** were found and seized. The woman was transferred to the Drug Enforcement Administration for further investigation. As a result of the second incident, a 29-year-old US citizen was detained by agents in a Honda Pilot car on Interstate 5 on the same day. 11 packages were hidden in the rear differential in the vehicle. Three packs contained **fentanyl with a total weight of 3.4 kg**, the other eight - **methamphetamine, weighing 2.18 kg**. The suspect and the drugs were turned over to Drug Enforcement Administration for further investigation. Vehicle was confiscated. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/border-patrol-agents-discover-two-narcotic-loads-one-day>

**30.05.2019** Alamans County Drug Enforcement Team, the North Carolina State FBI, and the US Drug Enforcement Administration seized **110 kg of cocaine** and arrested 24 people during a 17-month anti-drug operation. Four more accused are wanted. By the end of the operation, **110.22 kg of cocaine** worth more than 3 million 685 thousand US dollars, **3.18 kg of marijuana**, 1 million 325 thousand US dollars in cash, 12 cars, two trailers, a motorcycle, a golf cart and several units of weapons were seized by the police. <https://www.thetimesnews.com/news/20190530/28-charged-243-pounds-of-cocaine-and-13m-seized-in-alamance-county>

**30.05.2019** US border patrol agent in Kampo, California, at a checkpoint located on the western Interstate 8, detained a 26-year-old Mexican citizen in an attempt to smuggle 72 packs of **methamphetamine weighing 39.64 kg** in the fuel tank of a Chevrolet Silverado. The driver and seized drugs were transferred to the Drug Enforcement Administration. Vehicle was confiscated by US border patrol. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/k-9-alerts-methamphetamine-hidden-inside-fuel-tank>

**31.05.2019** Border patrol agents in Rio Grande, Texas area stopped **340.19 kg of marijuana** from Mexico. The drugs were delivered from the Mexican side along the river in a small boat. Smugglers fled the scene. <https://newsmaven.io/charlottealerts/drugs/1-500-pounds-of-marijuana-intercepted-in-texas-spmgSeBbZEe2QzdihWu1LQ/>

**31.05.2019** Police officers found and seized **33.79 kg of cocaine** as a result of execution of a search warrant in a residence located in the eastern part of Cobb, Georgia. Two men arrested at the scene, a 22-year-old from Mexico and a 30-year-old from El Salvador, were arrested.

[https://www.mdjonline.com/news/police-find-pounds-of-cocaine-in-east-cobb-home/article\\_ae12fcee-86d2-11e9-9cd8-27b0c512918a.html](https://www.mdjonline.com/news/police-find-pounds-of-cocaine-in-east-cobb-home/article_ae12fcee-86d2-11e9-9cd8-27b0c512918a.html)

**01.06.2019** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in Tucson, Arizona, arrested a 65-year-old Mexican citizen trying to smuggle **3.63 kg of methamphetamine and 49.9 g of fentanyl** into US in a cache in the trunk of a Ford car. Drugs and vehicle were seized. The driver was taken into custody and transferred to the US Homeland Security Investigations. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/65-year-old-mexican-national-arrested-drug-smuggling-port-lukeville>

**01.06.2019** The El Centro Sector Border Patrol located on Highway 86 in Salton City, California detained a 27-year-old US citizen driving a Wrangler SUV while trying to smuggle 22 packs of **methamphetamine weighing 11.27 kg**. The drugs were hidden inside the spare wheel mounted on the rear door. Man, car and drugs were turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

<https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/border-patrol-arrests-man-attempting-smuggle-meth-0>

**03.06.2019** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in Laredo, Texas, as a result of inspection of a Freightliner truck with a semi-trailer carrying a commercial consignment of synthetic rubber found 768 packages containing **3 tons 298.52 kg of marijuana** on the World Trade Bridge. Street value of the cargo is estimated at 1.4 million US dollars. Drugs were confiscated. Case was transferred to special agents of Homeland Security Investigations. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-intercept-more-3-tons-marijuana-seizure-world-trade-bridge>

## TURKEY

**24.05.2019** Turkish security forces detained 62 suspects and seized **91 kg of cocaine** and other drugs during anti-drug operations across the country. In the northwestern province of Istanbul, **1.8 million opiate tablets, 30 kg of cocaine** and one weapon were found and seized by officers of the anti-drug police in the Kucukcekmece district. On May 26, police seized **12 kg of opium** in the Bakirk district of the same province. Meanwhile, the gendarmerie conducted an operation in the eastern province of Van, as a result of which a suspect in drug trafficking was detained, **61 kg of cocaine** were seized. In the course of other operations conducted in 29 cities of Turkey, 56 suspects were detained for promoting drug use through social networks. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkey/over-90-kg-of-cocaine-seized-in-turkey-/1490365>

**30.05.2019** Officers of anti-drug department of provincial security directorate in the province of Antalya, on the basis of intelligence received, searched a store owned by a local resident suspected of drug trafficking. A search of the boxes in the store found **13 kg of methamphetamine**. A man was arrested. [www.dailysabah.com/investigations/2019/05/30/police-nab-meth-smuggling-couple-in-turkeys-antalya](http://www.dailysabah.com/investigations/2019/05/30/police-nab-meth-smuggling-couple-in-turkeys-antalya)

**31.05.2019** Officers of anti-drug department and public security unit of the Carşamba Police Department located in the Black Sea region of Turkey, searched a property located in

the Salipazary district owned by a suspect. Police confiscated **3,114 cannabis bushes** as well as two unlicensed weapons and a small amount of hashish in the suspect's house. A man was arrested on charges of drug production and trafficking.

<https://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/2019/05/31/police-seize-marijuana-cache-in-turkeys-northern-samsun>

## UKRAINE

**30.05.2019** During a joint special operation of law enforcement agencies of Ukraine, France, Poland and Europol, a channel for smuggling drugs into Ukraine was blocked. Drug traffickers delivered **opioid buprenorphine as part of the Subutex** drug product from France through Poland to Ukraine. Every month, the drug group shipped about a thousand blisters of narcotic tablets worth more than 2 million hryvnia. A special operation to end the activity of the drug group began in Ukraine. Under the procedural guidance of the Prosecutor's Office of Ivano-Frankivsk region, officers of the Security Service of Ukraine, the Police, with the participation of Border Guards and Customs officers, detained one of the group members with **7,000 tablets of Subutex** at the Rava-Russkaya border point. This was a signal to law enforcement officers in France and Poland to arrest his accomplices on their territory. On the same day, the French gendarmerie detained five French citizens in Paris for selling the Subutex tablets to the Ukrainian drug group. Meanwhile, the Central Bureau of Investigation of Poland detained on its territory three citizens of Ukraine who had created a "transshipment base", which was used by perpetrators to change transport and delivery routes, to hide drugs in consumer goods packages. Three participants of the international criminal group were informed of the suspicion of having committed a criminal offense, they are being held in custody. Extradition of other criminals to Ukraine is pending; investigation is underway. <https://fakty.ua/306939-zaderzhany-kontrabandisty-postavlyavshie-narkotiki-iz-francii-v-ukrainu-video>

## PHILIPPINES

**27.05.2019** Three fishermen in the coastal waters of the city of Bagakey, Kalbeyog City, Western Samar and 40 packs of **cocaine weighing about 39 kg** were caught and voluntarily handed to the police. The Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and the Philippine National Police are investigating the origin of the alleged drug.

<https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/05/28/19/40-bloke-ng-cocaine-natagpuan-sa-dagat-sa-sorsogon>

**28.05.2019** The Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) officers destroyed plantations with marijuana in a joint operation with the regional police department in the administrative district of the Cordillera of the City of Chinglan in Kaling. **28 300 marijuana plants** and **1000 marijuana saplings** were destroyed on 10 separate plantation sites, with a total area of more than 2.9 hectares. <https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1070994>

**01.06.2019** Officers of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and various units of the regional police headquarters in Sitio Himatogan, Barangay General Klimaco, city of Toledo, destroyed an illegal plantation, which grew more than 10,000 marijuana plants. Toledo is located 55 km from Cebu City. Owner of the illegal plantation was arrested on charges of growing plants classified as dangerous drugs.

<https://cebudailynews.inquirer.net/236863/p4-million-worth-of-marijuana-plants-uprooted-in-toledo-city>



**FRANCE**

**31.05.2019** Officers of municipal police and gendarmerie on the Apataki Tuamotu Atoll in French Polynesia discovered and seized **380 kg of cocaine** as a result of checking a sailboat following the route between South America and Australia and stopped in order to correct problems in the engine. Four crew members - three citizens of Italy and one citizen of Peru were imprisoned and taken to Tahiti for further investigation.  
<http://www.ladepeche.pf/380-kilos-de-cocaine-saisis-voilier-escale-a-apataki/>  
 Video: <https://la1ere.francetvinfo.fr/polynesie/tahiti/polynesie-francaise/au-moins-340-kg-cocaine-saisis-voilier-apataki-716589.html>

**ESTONIA**

**30.05.2019** Officers of the Tax and Customs Board at the border checkpoint "Yarja" in Pärnumaa stopped a passenger car entering Estonia from Latvia. As a result of inspection of a vehicle "Mercedes-Benz S-Class" with German numbers, which was run by a 34-year-old Estonian citizen, about **1 kg of pure cocaine** and a small amount of marijuana and hemp seeds were found and seized. Cocaine was hidden in a ditch in the dashboard, and the bags were treated with engine oil. The driver was taken into custody by the Pärnu County Court. Pre-trial investigation is carried out by the Drug Enforcement Division of the Investigation Division of the MTA and the General Prosecutor's Office.  
<https://news.err.ee/947134/estonian-citizen-caught-with-kilo-of-cocaine-on-estonian-latvian-border>

**JAMAICA**

**31.05.2019** Drug Enforcement Police and Border Services of the Jamaica Customs Agency are investigating a discovery of **12 kg of cocaine** in the port of Kingston. The drug was in an import container in eight packages and was distributed in 10 packages. No arrests were in connection with confiscation.  
<http://www.starnieuws.com/index.php/welcome/index/nieuwsitem/52971>

