

**CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(on mass media reports)

**06.07-12.07.2020****№ 28****CARICC MEMBER STATES****REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN**

**09.07.2020** Employees of the western regional department of the GUBN MVD of Azerbaijan detained a resident of Atakishili village of Kurdamir region, who illegally stored **3.515 kg of heroin and 345 g of methamphetamine** at his place of residence on the Baku-Alyat-Gazakh highway. Investigation on this fact is under way.

<https://media.az/society/1067783043/zhitel-kyurdamira-hranil-narkotiki-v-holodilnike-foto/>

**REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN**

**08.07.2020** Employees of the police department in the North-Kazakhstan region detained an 18-year-old young woman suspected of selling drugs of synthetic origin. As part of pre-trial investigation, the place of residence of the suspect was searched, during which **40 g of mephedrone**, packaging materials, laptops, scales and other items used in criminal actions were seized. The woman purchased drugs through an online store and distributed them via "caches" without contact. [https://www.inform.kz/ru/bole-600-doz-sinteticheskikh-narkotikov-iz-yali-u-zhitel-nicy-sko\\_a3670488](https://www.inform.kz/ru/bole-600-doz-sinteticheskikh-narkotikov-iz-yali-u-zhitel-nicy-sko_a3670488)

**10.07.2020** Policemen of the West Kazakhstan region together with employees of the regional Department of the KNB RK seized the largest shipment of synthetic drugs in the history of the country. A garage and outbuildings in the yard of a house in Terekti district, purchased by citizens of Ukraine, was adapted for drug laboratory by the perpetrators. The police found two structures with glass flasks, as well as a freezer, in a converted and equipped underground laboratory. The laboratory room was artificially ventilated. Three containers of 1,000 litres each were buried in the ground at the rear of the yard. During search of the premises of the house and the laboratory, **11.4 kg of mephedrone and 8.1 kg of pyrovalerone (MDPV), drug-containing powders, mixtures, chemical concentrates**, as well as chemical reagent canisters, protective suits, respirators and laboratory equipment were found and seized. The drugs are estimated to cost more than 413 million tenge. Detained persons started producing synthetic drugs after repeated samples at the end of June 2020. Pretrial proceedings were initiated against the detainees. Investigation is under way. A similar laboratory was dismantled by the police in late May this year in Talgar, Almaty region, where in addition to laboratory equipment and chemicals, more than 6 kg of mephedrone were seized. <https://tengrinews.kz/crime/samoe-krupnoe-izyatie-sintetiki-proveli-zapade-kazahstana-407925/>

**RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**06.07.2020** A network of channels for synthetic drugs supply in 12 regions of the Central, Volga and Southern Federal Districts of Russia was dismantled during a special operation of

the FSB of Russia. Three drug couriers were detained in Moscow and Yaroslavl regions - citizens of the Russian Federation, who were carrying 55 kg of drugs. At least **45 kg of amphetamine and 10 kg of MDMA (ecstasy) in the form of 23,000 tablets** were seized from their vehicle caches. The seized drugs were planned to be sold in the Moscow, Kaluga, Yaroslavl, Voronezh, Tula, Vladimir and Ivanovo regions. In addition, couriers took illicit substances for sale in the Tambov, Nizhny Novgorod, Saratov and Rostov regions, as well as in the Kuban. A preventive measure in the form of detention was taken against the suspects. <https://ria.ru/20200706/1573933339.html>

**09.07.2020** Police officers in Kaluga province detained a citizen of a neighbouring republic living in Obninsk suspected of illicit drug trafficking. The man in Moscow was purchasing large amounts of heroin for further sale in the Kaluga region. A total of **831.7 g of heroin** was found during a personal search of the detainee and also during an inspection of the suspect's home. A criminal case has been initiated in this connection. A preventive measure in the form of remand in custody was taken against the suspect.

<https://мвд.рф/news/item/20572863>

**10.07.2020** A 29-year-old resident of Toliatti, suspected of selling synthetic drugs through caches, has been detained by UNK GU MVD of Russia in Samara region. About **990 g of mephedrone and more than 142 g of synthetic drugs** were found and seized during a personal search at the detainee's place of residence and caches. Also, computer equipment used for sale of illegal substances, scales and a large amount of packaging materials were found in the residence of the drug dealer. The suspect was selling illicit substances through caches, indicating their location on the Internet. Criminal cases have been initiated. A preventive measure in the form of detention has been taken against the suspect.

<https://мвд.рф/news/item/20584205>

**13.07.2020** Employees of GUNK MVD of Russia together with colleagues from Ivanovo region have stopped actions of an organized group whose members are suspected of attempting to produce narcotic drugs for sale. Four citizens of neighboring countries rented a private house on the outskirts of Kineshma, Ivanovo region, where they equipped a workshop for production of synthetic drugs. For security purposes, they equipped the premises with video surveillance cameras. During inspection of a residential house and bathhouse, police officers found **192 kg of mephedrone**, prepared for sale. They also seized laboratory equipment providing for the entire production cycle, more than **1.5 tons of chemicals and 437 plastic canisters containing narcotics liquid**. A criminal case has been initiated on this fact. The court selected a preventive measure in the form of remand in custody of the suspects. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/20597172>

## OTHER COUNTRIES

### BELARUS

**10.07.2020** Employees of drug control, working out information about a large consignment of drugs entering Minsk from Russia, detained a 20-year-old resident of Minsk region, who was carrying more than **1 kg of alpha-PVP** in his car. The drug was intended for sale through intermediaries in the territory of Minsk. To deliver it, the distributors made a stash in the frame of a painting, as well as camouflaged the drug in a plaster bust. Also detained

is a 48-year-old native of Homel region, living in Minsk, who used to distribute drugs through the Internet. More than **2.3 kg of alpha-PVP and paramethylephedrone** were seized in possession of the man, as well as in caches and at his place of residence. Drug control officers identified six other distributors working for the same online drug shop. Criminal proceedings were initiated against the traffickers.

In addition, staff of MVD and GUVД of Minsk City Executive Committee have prevented a large supply of psychotropic substances to Belarus. Thanks to the operational information provided by the Belarusian law enforcement officers to their colleagues from GUNK MVD of Russia, about **500 g of MDMA, 1 kg of paramethylephedron and 500 g of alpha-PVP** were seized in the Moscow region. <https://people.onliner.by/2020/07/10/v-minske-krupnoe-zaderzhanie>

## VIETNAM

**07.07.2020** Police officers in Muong Cha district, Dien Bien province, arrested three members of a transnational criminal group involved in supplying heroin from Laos to Dien Bien through the northern provinces of Lai Chau and Lao-Cai and then transferring it to a third country. Almost **19 kg of heroin** were confiscated. The case is under further investigation. <https://www.pmnewsnigeria.com/2020/07/09/3-drug-smugglers-with-heroin-cakes-arrested/>

**11.07.2020** The police of Dien-Bien district, in the province of the same name, arrested two residents of Muong Nké and Dien-Bien Dong districts, both members of a transnational criminal group, and seized about **7.5 kg of heroin and 12,000 synthetic drug tablets** from them. The arrested persons had acquired illicit substances in border areas with Laos. The case is under further investigation. <https://en.vietnamplus.vn/large-haul-of-drugs-seized-in-dien-bien/178411.vnp>

## HUNGARY

**10.07.2020** Authorities at the border crossing in Roshka arrested a Serbian citizen in an attempt to smuggle **21 kg of heroin**. The heroin consignment is worth 250 million forints (706.2 thousand euros). In the course of a vehicle examination using service dogs, 32 packages of heroin were found hidden in the vehicle and in men's clothing. <https://hungarytoday.hu/serbian-charged-attempting-smuggle-21-kg-heroin/>

## GREECE

**07.07.2020** A total of **28.035 kg of cocaine** were seized in a special police operation in Athens against a wanted international criminal group smuggling cocaine from South America to Europe. Cocaine was smuggled into Greece in large quantities from the Netherlands. One of the suspects was detained, transporting 24 packages of cocaine in disguised vehicle caches. The packets were marked with "555" logo. A total of four persons aged between 49 and 61 years were arrested. Two were also charged with illegal possession of weapons. In addition to drugs, three cars, a pistol, ammunition and other items used in criminal actions were confiscated. [https://www.thenationalherald.com/archive\\_general\\_news\\_greece/arthro/over\\_28\\_kg\\_of\\_cocaine\\_confiscated\\_and\\_four\\_individuals\\_arrested\\_in\\_police\\_operation\\_in\\_athens-559008/](https://www.thenationalherald.com/archive_general_news_greece/arthro/over_28_kg_of_cocaine_confiscated_and_four_individuals_arrested_in_police_operation_in_athens-559008/)

## INDIA

**07.07.2020** Special Task Force (STF) detained two women from Haiboval, aged 37, and 45, suspected of drug trafficking, from whom **1.2 kg of heroin** was seized. The women purchased heroin and planned to deliver the shipment from Amritsar, Punjab State, to Delhi. The case was registered under the NDPS Act. The women have been charged and detained by the court. <https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/two-women-held-for-drug-peddling-in-ludhiana/story-zd518KUFkbtKDrUaAuml6N.html>

**09.07.2020** Police near the Bhadradi border post in a car parked for a long time found and seized about **266 kg of marijuana**. The police registered the case and launched an investigation. <https://www.thehansindia.com/telangana/marijuana-worth-rs-40-lakh-seized-in-bhadradi-632630>

**09.07.2020** In a police operation conducted in the towns of Manendragarh and Kelhari, Chhattisgarh, **201 kg of marijuana** were seized in three separate cases. Five persons associated with two international smuggled drug syndicates were arrested. Police confiscated vehicles used to smuggle drugs. <https://www.dailypioneer.com/2020/state-editions/police-seize-marijuana-worth-rs-20-lakh.html>

## IRAN

**10.07.2020** From 4 to 10 July, the Iranian Anti-Narcotics Police seized **19.603 tons of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including 155 kg of heroin, 16.988 tons of opium, 203 kg of methamphetamine, 2.150 tons of hashish and 107 kg of other narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances<sup>1</sup>**.

**09.07.2020** The police seized **1,028 kg of opium and 20 kg of hashish** during an operation in Yazd province. Nine smugglers were arrested. Since the beginning of the current calendar year (19 March), police forces in Yazd province have seized over 16 tons of drugs in the province. <https://en.mehrnews.com/news/160752/1-048-kg-of-illicit-drugs-seized-in-Yazd>

**09.07.2020** Following a series of reconnaissance operations, the Kerman provincial police forces seized **1,526 kg of opium and hashish**. A smuggling gang transported drugs to Kerman province from Iran's eastern border with Afghanistan. One smuggler was arrested. Since the beginning of the current calendar year (March 19), Kerman provincial police have seized more than 59 tons of drugs, up 100% from the same period last year. <https://en.mehrnews.com/news/160747/Police-bust-over-1-5-tons-of-narcotics-in-Kerman>

**12.07.2020** The Sistan and Balochistan Drug Enforcement Police seized **1,034 kg of opium** in Konarak district after conducting complex reconnaissance operations. Two smugglers were arrested and brought before the judicial authorities. <https://en.mehrnews.com/news/160821/Police-seize-over-1-ton-of-illicit-drug-in-SE-Iran>

**12.07.2020** Police seized **389 kg of opium** during two counter-narcotics intelligence operations in Kermanshah City, Kermanshah province. Drugs were being imported into the province from the southern part of the country. During the first operation, a truck and a

<sup>1</sup> Data provided by liaison officer of the Anti-Narcotics Police of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

sedan car carrying 104 kg of opium were seized by the police and four criminals were detained. During the second operation, two criminals were detained, transporting about 285 kg of opium in a truck. The drugs and the truck were confiscated.

<https://en.mehrnews.com/news/160857/Police-bust-389kg-of-opium-in-Kermanshah-prov>

## IRELAND

**10.07.2020** Two men, aged 42 and 57, were detained by police anti-drug officers (Garda) during a search in Knocknaheeny Cork City, from whom **3 kg of heroin** were seized. Drugs cost about 425,000 euros. The drugs were brought from Dublin. Detainees are being held at Gurrabraher Garda station. Investigation is under way.

<https://www.echolive.ie/corknews/Massive-heroin-seizure-in-Knocknaheeny--7bfae403-874e-4cca-a02a-67cfbe54ebae-ds>

## SPAIN

**09.07.2020 1,850 kg of hashish** were seized in a joint police and customs operation in Almeria. A Customs Department air patrol flying over the sea, 24 miles south of Almeria, spotted a boat moving at high speed. The 12-metre-long boat, with three powerful motors and four people on board, was carrying a large consignment of drugs. In the Parque Natural de Cabo de Gata, an illegal cargo from a boat was unloaded into a van by people waiting on shore. Customs and the police worked together to monitor the boat and prosecute the drug consignment van. During the apprehension, the driver of the van tried to escape.

<https://www.euroweeklynews.com/2020/07/09/dramatic-high-speed-chase-on-spains costa-almeria-as-police-go-after-major-drug-delivery/#.XwwUfJ1XqUI>

## CAMBODIA

**07.07.2020** A 33-year-old resident of Hong district, Champasak province, Laos, was detained by officers of the Drug Enforcement Department in Stung Treng province, who illegally crossed the border into Cambodia by boat, disguised as a fisherman and smuggled **7 kg of methamphetamine**. The man is detained and the case against him has been referred to the Stung Treng Provincial Court for trial.

<https://www.phnompenhpost.com/national/laotian-charged-sailing-stung-treng-7kg-meth>

**12.07.2020** Officers from the Anti-Drug Unit of Stung Treng province, in cooperation with the Anti-Drug Department of the Cambodian Ministry of Interior, arrested two Lao citizens in the commune of O'Sway, Borey O'Sway, in the Saint-Chey area, and seized **6 kg of methamphetamine** from them. The suspects and evidence were sent to the provincial court.

<https://www.phnompenhpost.com/national/laotians-held-dealing-6kg-meth>

## COLOMBIA

**09.07.2020** In a joint and coordinated operation between the Colombian navy, the Colombian military forces and the National Police, **191 kg of cocaine** were seized in Cartagena. The seized drug belonged to the Clan del Golfo (Gulf Drug Cartel). A suspicious boat carrying an illegal cargo was found by the Cartagena Coast Guard Rapid Response Unit on the Del Dique Canal. On board were four boxes containing 191 boxes of cocaine, communications equipment, a night watchman and two metal structures to secure the

cocaine consignment to a vessel with high sides. The value of the consignment was over US\$ 7 million. <https://www.armada.mil.co/es/content/en-cartagena-fuerza-publica-incauto-cargamento-cocaina-perteneciente-al-clan-del-golfo>  
<https://twitter.com/ArmadaColombia/status/1281250482946703368>

**11.07.2020** The Narcotics Directorate of the National Police intercepted a lorry carrying banana boxes in the goods unloading area at the port of Uraba, which was intended for containerization on a ship bound for Hamburg, Germany. During inspection of the cargo, **296 kg of cocaine hydrochloride** were found and seized in 24 banana boxes. The driver was detained. <https://seguimiento.co/colombia/incautan-296-kilos-de-cocaina-escondidos-en-cajas-de-banano-37863>

## THE NETHERLANDS

**01.07.2020** Rotterdam Customs found **800 kg of cocaine** during a container inspection with bags of cocoa beans from the Dominican Republic. The cost of the drugs is estimated at €24 million. The container was destined for transportation to Amsterdam (Netherlands). The investigation is being carried out by the HARC team from Amsterdam, FIOD and Amsterdam Customs. No one was arrested. The drugs have been destroyed. The investigation is being carried out by the District Prosecutor's Office in Amsterdam. <https://www.fiod.nl/douane-vindt-800-kilo-cocaine-tussen-lading-cacaobonen/>

**08.07.2020** Customs found **216 kg of cocaine** during an inspection in the port of Vlissingen. Drugs were hidden between a shipment of bananas from Ecuador. The shipment was intended for a company from Vlissingen. The cocaine shipment was seized and destroyed with the authorization of the HARC team (a joint venture between Customs, FIOD, the seaport police and the Rotterdam Public Prosecution Service). <https://www.belastingdienst.nl/wps/wcm/connect/bldcontentnl/berichten/nieuws/douane/douane-onderschept-216-kilo-cocaine>

## MEXICO

**12.07.2020** Staff of the General Customs Administration (AGA) in Lasaro Cardenas, Michoacán, on a cargo ship from Buenaventura, Colombia, seized **164.98 kg of cocaine** as a result of concerted actions with the federal authorities of Mexico and the United States. Customs officers from Lazaro Cardenas requested assistance from the Mexican Navy and the Attorney General of the Republic (FGR) to locate a cargo of coal transported in the cargo ship from Colombia with drugs hidden in it. <https://www.gob.mx/sat/prensa/aduanas-decomisa-165-kilogramos-de-cocaina-en-la-aduana-de-lazaro-cardenas-michoacan-provenientes-de-colombia-30-2020?idiom=es>  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1e1HeE7mLE&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1e1HeE7mLE&feature=emb_logo)  
[https://twitter.com/SEMAR\\_mx/status/1282393750283718658](https://twitter.com/SEMAR_mx/status/1282393750283718658)  
<https://garabato.info/?p=4856>  
<https://seunonoticias.mx/2020/07/12/aduanas-decomisa-165-kilogramos-de-cocaina-en-la-aduana-de-lazaro-cardenas-michoacan-provenientes-de-colombia/>

## PAKISTAN

**06.07.2020** The Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF) detained a woman from Lahore who was carrying **1.5 kg of heroin and 1.2 kg of hashish** in a Hiace van; three smugglers who were carrying **4.8 kg of hashish** in a car from Barra to Rawalpindi; and two smugglers who

were carrying **9.6 kg of hashish** in a car from Job to Dere. According to these facts, cases have been registered against the detainees. <https://www.urdupoint.com/en/pakistan/anf-recovers-156-kg-hashish-15-kg-heroin-966927.html>

## PANAMA

**03.07.2020** During an operation carried out by the drug prosecutor's office in Kolon and Guna Yala, together with the police investigation authorities, about **316 kg of cocaine** were seized at the seaport in Kolon. The drug consignment was found in several bags inside a container destined for Belgium. <https://www.panamaamerica.com.pa/provincias/incautan-mas-de-300-paquetes-de-droga-en-un-contenedor-en-un-puerto-maritimo-de-colon>  
<https://twitter.com/ProtegeyServir/status/1282800131436351490/photo/3>  
[https://twitter.com/PGN\\_PANAMA/status/1282777889105117186](https://twitter.com/PGN_PANAMA/status/1282777889105117186)

## SAUDI ARABIA

**08.07.2020** Border guards in Tabuk, in the northwest of the country, intercepted an attempt to smuggle **280,000 Captagon tablets and more than 6.809 kg of opium** and arrested a diver who was trying to smuggle drugs across the maritime border from Egypt. The diver was wearing a diving suit. The man was arrested and handed over to the prosecutor's office for investigation and trial. A few days before the incident, Tabuk border guards arrested three men attempting to cross land borders and smuggle **360,000 Captagon tablets** from Jordan. <https://gulfnews.com/world/gulf/saudi/saudi-arabia-tabuk-border-guards-foil-divers-attempt-to-smuggle-narcotics-into-kingdom-1.72473890>

## SLOVAKIA

**08.07.2020** Customs officials from the financial administration in Nitra discovered and seized **1.5 tons of methamphetamine** imported from Mexico. The value of the wholesale shipment is about €300 million, and when sold in retail it could reach €2 billion. The cargo from Mexico was delivered to Europe via the Croatian port and arrived in Slovakia for customs clearance, where it was selected for inspection after the risk profile analysis. An inspection of two metal tanks, using a service dog, mobile scanners and a crane to move oversized cargoes revealed that drugs were hidden inside the tanks. <https://spectator.sme.sk/c/22443026/police-seized-a-record-amount-of-meth-from-mexico.html>

## USA

**06.07.2020** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials at the port of entry in Otay Mesa, California, detained two Mexican nationals - a 52-year-old female driver and a 71-year-old female passenger - while attempting to smuggle more than **63.05 kg of liquid methamphetamine and 0.91 kg of heroin** from Mexico in a gas tank and spare wheel. The women were handed over to Homeland Security investigations agents. The elderly passenger was a lawful permanent resident of the United States and was subsequently released. CBP officers seized \$175,000 worth of narcotics and a car. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/otay-mesa-cbp-officers-find-meth-heroin-gas-tank-and-spare-tire-vehicle>

**07.07.2020** U.S. border patrol agents seized about **462 kg of marijuana** worth \$1.12 million in several attempts to smuggle drugs from Mexico across the Rio Grande River,

Texas. Eight individuals, nationals of Mexico and Honduras, were detained and handed over to special agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration for further investigation and prosecution. The vehicle was confiscated. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/failed-narcotic-smuggling-attempts-leads-several-apprehensions>

**07.07.2020** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials at the Bridge of America Crossing, El Paso, Texas, detained a 22-year-old U.S. citizen attempting to smuggle **40.3 kg of methamphetamine** from Mexico in a Chevrolet Malibu. A shipment of methamphetamine was found in the vehicle's side panels and rear bumper during an inspection. The cost of the consignment is 325,000 US dollars. The driver was arrested and handed over to the Homeland Security Investigations. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-bridge-americas-stop-large-drug-load>

**08.07.2020** Border Patrol agents at the 86th Highway BCP in El Centro Sector, California detained a driver, a 34-year-old U.S. citizen and a passenger, a 33-year-old Mexican citizen, when attempting to transport **75.02 kg of methamphetamine** in a Ford F-250 truck. Liquid methamphetamine was found inside the truck's gas tank during a search of the vehicle. The vehicle and drugs were handed over to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). The cost of the consignment is more than 314,000 dollars. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/border-patrol-seizes-liquid-methamphetamine>

**09.07.2020** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Office of Field Operations (OFO) agents at the Farr International Bridge, Texas, seized **84 kg of methamphetamine** concealed in a trailer of a truckload of commercial fresh produce from Mexico. The case is being investigated by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) agents. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-seize-37-million-methamphetamine-pharr-international>

**09.07.2020** Representatives of the sheriff and the Riverside County Law Enforcement Agency, California, searched two addresses in Cabazon and found **1,879 marijuana plants weighing approximately 453 kg**. Two men, aged 22 and 55, were detained on suspicion of growing marijuana and placed at Smith Correctional Facility in Banning. <https://mynews1a.com/crime/2020/07/09/more-than-1800-marijuana-plants-seized-in-cabazon/>

**09.07.2020** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials at the Express Consignment Center in Louisville, Kentucky, intercepted a shipment of **18.5 kg of crystalline methamphetamine**. The parcel arrived from Reynosa, Mexico, for its recipient in Des Moines, Iowa. The parcel contained two metal lamps inside which methamphetamine was concealed. The value of the shipment is \$365,000. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/louisville-cbp-intercepts-40-pounds-crystal-meth>

## THAILAND

**08.07.2020** In three operations, **1.5 million tablets of methamphetamine, 2.4 tons of cannabis and 6 kg of ketamine** were seized in the provinces of Isaan Sakon Nakhon, Lampang and Udonthani by officers of the Anti-Drug Bureau. 12 suspects were arrested. <https://thethaiger.com/hot-news/crime/millions-of-meth-pills-tonnes-of-marijuana-seized-in-3-major-drug-hauls>

## TURKEY

**09.07.2020** Narcotics police in Yuksekova district, Hakkari province, found **52.4kg of heroin** in the trunk of a truck that had been stopped for inspection. The driver of the truck was detained, the drug had been seized. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkey/over-50-kg-of-heroin-seized-in-southeastern-turkey/1904839>

**10.07.2020** During a gendarmerie operation against drug smugglers and militants of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, a terrorist organization banned in Turkey, about **9.18 million cannabis bushes and about 1.18 tons of marijuana** were seized in the villages of Yalaza, Ortaç and Esenli, located in the district of Lice, Diyarbakır province. The seized drugs, as well as 11 km of water pipes, one pump and eight engines used to grow cannabis, were destroyed on site. [https://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/investigations/narco-terrorism-operation-nabs-9-million-cannabis-roots-12-tons-of-marijuana-in-turkeys-diyarbakir?gallery\\_image=undefined#big](https://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/investigations/narco-terrorism-operation-nabs-9-million-cannabis-roots-12-tons-of-marijuana-in-turkeys-diyarbakir?gallery_image=undefined#big)

## UKRAINE

**09.07.2020** Odessa law enforcement agencies have dismantled an organized criminal group (OCG), which forms an extensive network of drug dealers. The OCG members were engaged in smuggling narcotic drugs and their precursors. A large-scale inter-agency operation involving the police, the Odessa Border Guard Unit and other law enforcement agencies searched several premises in Kyiv and Kyiv region. Two drug laboratories were shut down and 36 postal dispatches with drugs were intercepted. Seizures of **1.5 kg of amphetamine and more than 3 tons of precursors**, as well as laboratory equipment, were made. The defendants created drug laboratories in different cities of Ukraine, where they manufactured drugs and used the Internet resource to sell them both in Ukraine and abroad. The operation was preceded by detention of two drug traffickers, who organized a drug lab in Odesa in a rented premises located in an elite cottage village. There amphetamine was manufactured and sent by mail all over the world - to the USA, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Australia, Poland, United Kingdom, Greece and other countries. The involvement of eight members of the group in drug trafficking has been documented. Seven of them were announced as suspects. The eighth OCG member is wanted. <http://internetua.com/v-ukraine-nakryli-set-narkotorgovcev-po-pocste-rasprostranyavshih-tyajelye-narkotiki-po-vsemu-miru>

## SRI LANKA

**10.07.2020** Police in Mulleriyawa arrested a woman who illegally stored about **1.3 kg of heroin** intended for further sale in her home. <http://www.adaderana.lk/news/65435/woman-arrested-with-13kg-heroin-in-mulleriyawa>