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## CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY

(based on mass media reports)

**24.05. to 30.05.2021**

**№18**

In the period from 24 May to 30 May 2021, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **200.8 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 43.4 kg, opium – 1.6 kg cannabis group drugs - 136.3 kg and synthetic drugs - 19.5 kg.**

### CARICC MEMBER STATES

#### REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

**24.05.2021** Police officers in the course of operational-search activities in the city of Kyzylorda, Kyzylorda region, detained a man who seized **10 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://www.gov.kz/memleket/entities/qriim/press/news/details/204602?lang=ru>

**25.05.2021** Employees of the Office for Combating Drug Crimes of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the Turkestan region stopped an Opel Astra car with two men inside during search operations on the Kentau-Turkestan highway near the village of Orangai. During the inspection of the car, **700 g of marijuana** was found. <https://www.gov.kz/memleket/entities/qriim/press/news/details/203802?lang=ru>

**28.05.2021** Employees of the National Security Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan stopped a Renault Magnum car driven by a citizen of the Kyrgyz Republic at the Syrym automobile checkpoint located in the West Kazakhstan region. During the check of the car, a package containing **39.3 kg of heroin and 96.1 kg of hashish** was found in the rear wheels. <https://inbusiness.kz/ru/last/na-kazahstansko-rossijskoj-granice-zaderzhali-krupnyu-partiyu-geroina>

#### KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

**29.05.2021** Employees of the SBNON of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic during the conduct of operational-search activities in the Sokuluk district of the Chui region detained a 48-year-old local resident, who seized **1.6 kg of opium**. <https://mvd.gov.kg/rus/mass-media/all-news/item/12947-sbnon-i-svr-mvd-proveli-spetsoperatsiyu-po-vyavleniyu-i-presecheniyu-kanalov-postavki-i-sbyta-narkoticheskikh-sredstv>

#### RUSSIAN FEDERATION

**24.05.2021** Police officers stopped a car in which there were two men during search operations on the federal highway in the Velsky district of the Arkhangelsk region. During the inspection of the car, **16.5 kg of synthetic drugs** were found under the rear door trim. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24341578>

**25.05.2021** Employees of the Drug Control Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Smolensk Region stopped a car driven by a 25-year-old man on the



Moscow-Minsk highway in the Smolensk region. During the personal search, **314 g of heroin** were found. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24372967>

**30.05.2021** Employees of the Drug Control Directorate of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Irkutsk Region, during operational search activities near the village of Steklyanka, Angarsk District, detained a 21-year-old local resident, who seized **1 kg of synthetic drugs**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24439811>

## REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

**27.05.2021** A 39-year-old citizen was detained by officers of the Drug Control Agency during operational-search activities at the international airport of the city of Khujand. **3.8 kg of heroin** was found in a suitcase with a double bottom. The detainee intended to carry drugs through a flight to Moscow.

[https://asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/laworder/20210527/dushanbinets-pitalsya-provezti-v-chemodane-s-dvoim-dnom-geroin?tg\\_rhash=59df260525b319](https://asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/laworder/20210527/dushanbinets-pitalsya-provezti-v-chemodane-s-dvoim-dnom-geroin?tg_rhash=59df260525b319)

**30.05.2021** Employees of the Agency for Drug Control in the course of operational-search activities in the city of Bokhtar, Khatlon region, detained a 21-year-old man, who seized **29.5 kg of hashish**.

[https://asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/security/20210601/narkopolitseyskie-tadzhikistana-konfiskovali-krupnyu-partiyu-afganskogo-gashisha?tg\\_rhash=4ad06923c19fc6](https://asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/security/20210601/narkopolitseyskie-tadzhikistana-konfiskovali-krupnyu-partiyu-afganskogo-gashisha?tg_rhash=4ad06923c19fc6)

## OTHER COUNTRIES

### AUSTRALIA

**25.05.2021** Australian Border Force (ABF) officers in NSW during an inspection of a shipment of auto parts from South Korea found **230 kg of methamphetamine** worth \$ 143 million.

<https://www.afp.gov.au/news-media/media-releases/newcastle-man-arrested-and-230kg-methamphetamine-seized-helical-gear>

### BRAZIL

**25.05.2021** During the operation, the Federal Police (PF) officers in the port of El Salvador seized packages of polymer rolls containing 637 kg of cocaine, which were to be loaded onto a ship with a final destination in the port of Antwerp, Belgium.

<https://g1.globo.com/ba/bahia/noticia/2021/05/24/cerca-de-637-kg-de-cocaina-sao-apreendidos-no-porto-de-salvador.ghtml>

**27.05.2021** In the port of Santos, officers of the Federal Tax Service (IRS) in the port of Santos during an inspection of a container with a batch of A4 paper, heading to the UK, found 350 kg of cocaine.

<https://www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2021/05/policia-federal-realiza-apreensao-de-cocaina-no-porto-de-santos#73>

## HONG KONG

**27.05.2021** Customs officers at the Kwai Chung customs inspection point during the inspection of the declared batch of electrical appliances and coffee machines, which arrived from Thailand, found **23.5 kg of heroin**.

<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202105/30/P2021053000310.htm>

## INDIA

**27.05.2021** Police officers in the city of Delhi detained an Indian married couple, a man and a woman were selling heroin. During the personal examination, **800 g of heroin** were seized from the detainees. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/delhi/couple-who-sold-drugs-to-students-arrested/articleshow/83018034.cms>

**30.05.2021** Police officers in Khazaribag City, Jharkhand State, stopped a truck containing **1,260 kg of opium**. On this fact, an investigation is underway to identify other persons involved in drug trafficking. <https://www.jagran.com/jharkhand/ranchi-1260-kg-opium-doda-seized-from-truck-in-hazaribagh-jharkhand-news-21691316.html>

## IRAQ

**25.05.2021** During an operation in the city of Erbil, officers of the General Directorate for Drug Control in Kurdistan detained a Turkish citizen who seized **92 kg of heroin**. <https://shafaq.com/en/Kurdistan/Drug-dealer-in-possession-of-a-huge-quantity-of-heroin-arrested-in-Erbil>

## SPAIN

**25.05.2021** Maritime customs officers, together with the Civil Guard in the port of Valencia, during an inspection of a container arriving from Central America, found **175 kg of cocaine**.

<https://www.levante-emv.com/sucesos/2021/05/25/incautan-alijo-175-kilos-cocaina-52225857.html>

## NIGERIA

**29.05.2021** During a series of operations in the city of Abuja, police officers detained a group of drug traffickers through the Ese'sOvenSecret Instagram account. As a result, drugs of various types were withdrawn from the illicit circulation, the total weight of which was **107 kg**. <https://punchng.com/ndlea-busts-abuja-drug-syndicate-arrests-10-107kg-drug-seized/>

## THE NETHERLANDS

**26.05.2021** Customs officers in the port of Vlissingen, while checking a container of bananas from Ecuador, found and seized **72 kg of cocaine**.

<https://www.belastingdienst.nl/wps/wcm/connect/bldcontentnl/berichten/nieuws/douane/douane-vindt-voor-miljoenen-euro-cocaine>

**27.05.2021** Customs officers in the port of Amsterdam during an inspection of a sea vessel arriving from Colombia found **21 kg of cocaine** worth 3 million euros. <https://www.fiod.nl/21-kilo-cocaine-met-een-geschatte-straatwaarde-van-3-miljoen-euro-onderschept-in-haven-van-amsterdam/>

**PANAMA**

**25.05.2021** Police officers in the port of Colon, during an inspection of a container of bananas from Ecuador, found **608 kg of cocaine**. <http://www.policia.gob.pa/19344-en-operativo-caribe-incautan-presunta-droga-dentro-de-un-contenedor.html>

**SINGAPORE**

**25.05.2021** Central Narcotics Bureau (CNB) officers in the Fernvale Road area detained two local residents who were found and seized at their place of residence **5.7 kg of heroin and 2.5 kg of cannabis**. <https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/singapore/cnb-drugs-heroin-ice-cannabis-people-arrested-fernvale-road-14889414>

**USA**

**26.05.2021** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the port of entry in Juarez Lincoln, Texas, stopped a Chevrolet driven by a 29-year-old US citizen. During the inspection of the car, **75 kg of methamphetamine** were found. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-laredo-port-entry-seize-hard-narcotics-worth-over-35>

**27.05.2021** US Border Patrol (RGC) agents in the Rio Grande, Texas area found traces of a group of individuals heading north of the Rio Grande. During the search activities, agents identified an abandoned truck. During the inspection of the truck, **115 kg of marijuana** worth 450 thousand dollars were found. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/over-24-million-worth-narcotics-seized-border-patrol-rio-grande-valley>

**29.05.2021** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at Farr Reynos Port of Entry, Texas, stopped a truck arriving from Mexico with a shipment of fresh mangoes. During the inspection of the truck, **59 kg of methamphetamine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-field-operations-pharr-international-bridge-thwart-three-smuggling>

**29.05.2021** Police officers in the Springfield, Missouri area stopped a vehicle on Interstate 44. During an inspection of the car, **30 kg of methamphetamine** were found inside the spare wheel. <https://www.ky3.com/2021/05/29/k-9-helps-mshp-with-meth-bust-on-interstate-44-in-greene-county/>

**30.05.2021** US Border Patrol (RGC) agents in El Centro, California, stopped a Hyundai car driven by a 26-year-old US citizen. During an inspection of the vehicle, agents found **29 kg of methamphetamine** in packages wrapped in aluminum tape, hidden under a factory panel in the rear of the vehicle's cargo area. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/agents-seize-large-package-methamphetamine-hidden-inside-vehicle>

**THAILAND**

**29.05.2021** Drug Enforcement Administration officials at the Suvarnabhumi Airport International Cargo Center found **11 kg of crystalline methamphetamine** during an inspection of a cargo with picture frames. <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2125067/>



## UKRAINE

**25.05.2021** Police officers during operational-search activities in the Kherson region in one of the post offices of the regional center detained an 18-year-old guy who intended to send parcels with drugs to different cities of Ukraine. During a search at the place of residence of the detainee, **2.5 kg of amphetamine, 500 g of mephedrone and 3 kg of marijuana** were found.

<https://www.npu.gov.ua/news/narkozlochini/na-xersonshhini-policzejski-viluchili-u-rozpovsyudzhuvacha-narkotikiv-tovaru-na-miljon-griven/>