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## CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY

(based on mass media reports)

**14.06. to 27.06.2021**

**№21**

In the period from 14 to 27 June 2021, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **27.2 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 0.500 kg, opium – 8.3 kg cannabis group drugs – 0.843 kg and synthetic drugs - 17.6 kg.**

### CARICC MEMBER STATES

#### RUSSIAN FEDERATION

##### **17.06.2021**

Police officers during investigations in the city of Novocheboksarsk, Chuvash Republic, detained a 40-year-old man who was found and seized **12 kg of mephedrone** at his place of residence. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24676647>

**17.06.2021** Police officers stopped a car driven by a 32-year-old man during search operations in the village of Nizhnedevitsk, Voronezh Region. During the inspection of the car in the cabin, about **1 kg of methylephedrone** was found inside the "glove compartment". <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24660666>

##### **18.06.2021**

Police officers detained two men during investigations in the city of Naberezhnye Chelny of the Republic of Tatarstan, who seized **1.1 kg of mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24667287>

**18.06.2021** Police officers detained a 48-year-old local resident, who was engaged in the cultivation of cannabis at his place of residence, during investigations in the city of Gelendzhik, Krasnodar Territory. During the search, **66 hemp bushes and 250 g of marijuana** were found. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24695330>

**19.06.2021** Police officers detained a local resident, who was engaged in the sale of synthetic drugs in a non-contact way - by creating hiding places during investigations in the city of Ivanovo, Ivanovo region. During a personal search, **500 g of mephedrone** was found and seized from the detainee. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24701783>

**22.06.2021** Police officers detained a 27-year-old man during investigations in the city of Yekaterinburg, Sverdlovsk Region, who seized **500 g of heroin**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24752090>

**23.06.2021** Employees of the Drug Control Directorate of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Moscow Region, during investigations in the city of Solnechnogorsk, Moscow Region, stopped a car driven by a 35-year-old native of the Krasnodar Territory. During a search of the car under the hood of the car, **2 kg of mephedrone** were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/24767128>

**26.06.2021** Police officers detained three local residents during investigations in the city of Novokuznetsk, Kemerovo Region, and seized **1 kg of mephedrone**.  
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/24811508>

**REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN**

**19.06.2021** Employees of the State Security Service at the post of the road-guard service "Mineral Suvlar" in the Tashkent region stopped a car of the "Nexia-3" brand under the control of a 25-year-old resident of the Surkhandarya region. When inspecting the car interior, **5 kg of opium** were found and seized. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/operativniki-sgb-izyali-neskolko-krupnykh-partiy-opiya/>

**20.06.2021** Employees of the State Security Service at the Umakai road checkpoint in the Kashkadarya region stopped a Cobalt car driven by a 34-year-old resident of the Surkhandarya region. When inspecting the car interior, **3.3 kg of opium** was found and seized. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/operativniki-sgb-izyali-neskolko-krupnykh-partiy-opiya/>

**20.06.2021** Employees of the Department for Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan during the anti-drug operation "Koradori-2021" seized **145 cannabis plants and 593 g of marijuana** on the household plots of residents of Fergana, Surkhandarya, Kashkadarya and Samarkand regions. <https://iiv.uz/ru/news/>

**OTHER COUNTRIES**

**ALBANIA**

**20.06.2021** Police officers in the port of Durres found **300 kg of cocaine** during a customs inspection of a truck en route from North Macedonia. The truck driver of a 40-year-old man from North Macedonia was detained. <https://exit.al/en/2021/06/19/albanian-police-seize-over-300-kg-of-cocaine-in-transit-from-north-macedonia/>

**BELGIUM**

**21.06.2021** Customs officers in the port of Ghent, during an inspection of a vessel with a consignment of fruit juice, found **216 kg of cocaine** worth 10 million euros. The drugs were hidden in a sea chest below the ship's waterline. [https://m.nieuwsblad.be/cnt/dmf20210625\\_93071123](https://m.nieuwsblad.be/cnt/dmf20210625_93071123)

**BULGARIA**

**19.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Kyustendil detained three local residents, from whom **16 kg of heroin** were found and seized at their place of residence. <http://www.bta.bg/en/c/DF/id/2433868>

## BRAZIL

**20.06.2021** Officers of the Federal Tax Service (IRS) in the port of Paranagua, during an inspection of a container bound for Belgium, found **200 kg of cocaine**.

<https://g1.globo.com/pr/parana/noticia/2021/06/19/mais-de-200-kg-de-cocaina-em-carga-de-farinha-sao-apreendidos-no-porto-de-paranagua.ghtml>

**25.06.2021** Officers of the Federal Tax Service (IRS) in the port of Paranagua during an inspection of a container bound for Morocco found **358 kg of cocaine**.

<https://www.gov.br/receitafederal/pt-br/aceso-a-informacao/acoes-e-programas/acoes-da-receita-federal/noticias/2021/junho/9a-regiao-fiscal/receita-federal-apreende-358-kg-de-cocaina-no-porto-de-paranagua>

**26.06.2021** Officers of the Federal Tax Service (IRS) in the port of Santos, during an inspection of a container bound for Portugal, found **1.2 tons of cocaine** inside a shipment of vegetable fat.

<https://www.gov.br/receitafederal/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2021/junho/receita-federal-intercepta-1-27-tonelada-de-cocaina-misturada-a-gordura-vegetal>

## GREAT BRITAIN

**20.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Derry, in the Dungiven Road area, stopped a car driven by a 35-year-old local resident. During a search of the car, **11 kg of marijuana**

were found. <https://www.breakingnews.ie/ireland/man-arrested-and-drugs-seized-in-police-probe-into-inl-criminality-1147975.html>

## GREECE

**24.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Athens stopped a car with two men inside. During the search of the car, **2.5 kg of heroin** were found.

<https://www.athina984.gr/en/2021/06/24/dyosyllipseis-gia-katochi-kai-diakinisi-narkotikon-kataschethikan-2-5-kila-iroinis/>

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

**21.06.2021** Agents of the General Directorate of Drug Control (DNCD) in the port of Puerto Plata during an inspection of a sea vessel bound for Miami (USA) found **6 kg of cocaine**.

<https://noticiassin.com/pais/ocupan-6-paquetes-presumiblemente-de-cocaina-en-barco-se-dirigia-a-miami-1113645>

## INDIA

**17.06.2021** Police officers in the Karbi Anglong area, Assam state, stopped a car with two local residents inside. During the inspection of the car, **2 kg of heroin** were found.

<https://www.indiatoday.in/cities/guwahati/story/drugs-seized-assam-karbi-anglong-two-arrested-1816172-2021-06-17>

**17.06.2021** Police officers in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu state, stopped a motorcycle driven by a 44-year-old local. During a search of the motorcycle, **21 kg of marijuana** were found.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/coimbatore/44-year-old-man-held-with-21kg-marijuana/articleshow/83556410.cms>

**17.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Ahmedabad, Gujarat state, detained five local residents who were found and seized 154 kg of marijuana at their place of residence. <https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/ahmedabad/154-kg-marijuana-seized-five-held-in-ahmedabad-7362497/>

**21.06.2021** Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) officers in Hyderabad, Telangana state stopped a truck driven by a local resident. A search of the truck found **2 tons of marijuana** hidden between piles of cashew nut shells in 1,080 bags. The drugs were intended to be shipped to the city of Pune, Maharashtra state, for retail distribution. On this fact, four men were detained and an investigation is underway. <https://www.thenewsminute.com/article/huge-drug-bust-ncb-more-2000-kg-ganja-seized-hyderabad-151027>

## SPAIN

**22.06.2021** Civil Guard officers, together with the Internal Revenue Service and the National Police in the port of Vigo, during an inspection of a container arriving from South America, found **24 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.farodevigo.es/gran-vigo/2021/06/22/intervenidos-24-kilos-cocaina-contenedor-54058013.html>

## ITALY

**18.06.2021** Soldiers of the operational command of the Italian air force in the port of Palermo during a search of a sailing vessel found **6 tons of hashish** worth 13 million euros. On this fact, three members of the ship's crew, who are citizens of Bulgaria, were detained. <https://www.italy24news.com/News/89503.html>

## CHINA

**24.06.2021** Customs officers in Qingdao Port, Shandong Province, during an inspection of a sea vessel loaded with soybeans, found **215 kg of cocaine**. <https://ukranews.com/en/news/784194-chinese-customs-seizes-over-215-kg-of-drugs>

## COLOMBIA

**17.06.2021** Police officers in the port of Barranquilla, during an inspection of a container with a cargo of scrap metal bound for the Netherlands, found **185 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.elheraldo.co/barranquilla/policia-antinarcoticos-incauto-185-kilos-de-cocaina-en-el-puerto-de-barranquilla-828080>

## MALAYSIA

**17.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Kuala Lumpur detained two local residents, who were found and seized **5 kg of ketamine**. <https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/06/17/two-arrested-drugs-worth-over-rm300000-seized-in-kl-raids>

## UAE

**16.06.2021** Customs officers at Dubai International Airport during the examination of the luggage of a 22-year-old Brazilian citizen, found **3.3 kg of cocaine**.

<https://www.gulftoday.ae/news/2021/06/16/vigilant-customs-official-foils-bid-to-smuggle-33kg-of-cocaine-into-dubai-airport>

## PANAMA

**18.06.2021** Police officers in the port of Colon, during an inspection of a container that arrived from Ecuador, found **125 kg of cocaine**. <https://theworldnews.net/pa-news/interrumpen-transito-de-contenedor-prenado-con-125-paquetes-de-cocaina>

## POLAND

**17.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Lodz during an inspection of a truck loaded with cauliflower, arrived from Spain, found **154 kg of marijuana** worth 4 million zlotys. <https://cbsp.policja.pl/cbs/aktualnosci/202605,Marihuana-trafila-do-Polski-z-kalafiorami.html>

## SAUDI ARABIA

**26.06.2021** Customs officials in the port of Jeddah during an inspection of a container from Lebanon, found and seized **14.4 million captagon tablets**. <https://www.globaltimes.cn/page/202106/1227276.shtml>

## SENEGAL

**17.06.2021** The Spanish Civil Guard, together with the Senegalese Air Force in waters off Senegal, stopped a ship with seven crew members on board. During the inspection of the vessel, **8.4 tons of hashish** were found and seized. <https://www.guardiacivil.es/es/prensa/noticias/7872.html>

## USA

**15.06.2021** US Border Patrol (RGC) agents in El Centro, California, stopped a 2018 Buick Encore vehicle driven by a 26-year-old US citizen. During the inspection of the car, **27 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/k-9-alert-leads-nearly-60lbs-cocaine>

**15.06.2021** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in Cincinnati, Ohio seized a shipment containing about **10 kg of methamphetamine** hidden under decorative blankets. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/20lbs-meth-worth-627k-stopped-cincinnati-cbp-officers>

**16.06.2021** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in Hidalgo County, Texas, stopped a truck carrying a commercial shipment of floor tiles from Mexico. During a search of the truck, **92 kg of methamphetamine, 21 kg of heroin and 35 kg of cocaine** were found. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-field-operations-pharr-international-bridge-seizes-65-million-hard>

**25.06.2021** US Border Patrol (RGC) agents in El Centro, California, stopped a 2019 Toyota vehicle driven by a 26-year-old Philippine citizen. During the inspection of the car, **49 kg of methamphetamine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/border-patrol-agents-seize-nearly-300000-meth>

**26.05.2021** 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 installed an abandoned Ford Explorer car. During the inspection of the car, **297 kg of marijuana** worth 530 thousand dollars were found and seized.

<https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/vehicle-665-pounds-marijuana-ferried-across-rio-grande>

## THAILAND

**15.06.2021** Naval officers in Nakhon Phanom province stopped an Isuzu vehicle driven by a 50-year-old local man. A search of the vehicle found and seized **972,000 methamphetamine tablets** worth 10 million baht.

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2132787/>

**17.06.2021** Maritime police officers in the Tam Malang Canal, located in Satun province, found about **1.2 tons of heroin** and methamphetamine in 39 plastic baskets worth about 1 billion baht. The drugs were found during a survey of a mangrove forest located on the border between Thailand and Malaysia. <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/40002182>

## TURKEY

**16.06.2021** Customs officers in Istanbul, at the Kapikule customs post, stopped two trucks carrying 20 tons of paper. During the inspection of the trucks, a batch of the precursor was found - **16.1 tons of acetic anhydride**. These seized precursors would be sufficient for the production of 8 tons of heroin. <https://www.ticaret.gov.tr/haberler/ozel-duzenekli-plakasi-olan-tirda-8-ton-eroin-uretimine-yetecek-miktarda-uyusturu>

**16.06.2021** Customs officers in the port of Mersin, while inspecting a container of bananas from Ecuador, found and seized **1.1 tons of cocaine**. The Turkish Trade Minister announced that the seizure is the largest seizure of cocaine in Turkish history.

<https://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/investigations/turkey-seizes-more-than-1-ton-of-cocaine-in-biggest-bust>

**23.06.2021** Customs officers in the port of Mersin, during an inspection of a container of bananas arriving from Ecuador, found **463 kg of cocaine**.

<https://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/turkey-seizes-another-large-haul-of-cocaine-at-mersin-port/news>

## UKRAINE

**16.06.2021** Police officers detained a 21-year-old man who was involved in the sale of narcotic drugs during investigations in the city of Kiev. During a search at the place of residence of the detainee, **5 kg of cannabis and 2,500 MDMA tablets** were found and seized. <https://www.npu.gov.ua/news/narkozlochini/narkotiki-ta-psixotropi-na-4-miljoni-griven-u-stoliczi-operativniki-zatrimali-narkokur-jera/>

**20.06.2021** During a series of operations, police officers, together with Moldovan law enforcement agencies, detained 7 men, including citizens of Turkey and Moldova, who were involved in the supply of heroin from Iran to the EU countries. As a result of the operations carried out, **235 kg of heroin** worth 10 million euros were seized from illicit trafficking.

<https://www.npu.gov.ua/news/narkozlochini/speczoperacziya-naczpolicziji-z-pravooxoroncziyami-moldovi-perekrito-mizhnarodnij-kanal-kontrabandi-gerojinu-na-teritoriyu-krajin-Jevropejskogo-soyuzu/>

## PHILIPPINES

**22.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Imus, Cavite province, detained five citizens who were involved in the sale of methamphetamine. During the search of the detainees, **8.5 kg of methamphetamine**, worth 58 million Philippine pesos, were found and seized. <https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1144550>

## SWEDEN

**23.06.2021** Customs officers in the port of Gothenburg during an inspection of an industrial plastic container arriving from Brazil found **150 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.tullverket.se/nyheter/nyheter/tullverketbeslagtog150kilokokainigoteborgshamn.5.1595e959179a7cfd5c773e.html>

## SRI LANKA

**20.06.2021** Police officers in the city of Kalutara stopped a car with three local residents on the South Expressway. During the search of the car, **52 kg of heroin** worth 51 million rupees were found and seized. <http://www.dailynews.lk/2021/06/21/law-order/252058/si-two-suspects-narcotic-case-detained>