

CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY
 (based on mass media reports)

10.01. to 16.01.2022

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During the period 10-16 January 2022, based on information from mass media, law enforcement bodies and law enforcement agencies of CARICC member states seized **150 kg 248 g of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances from illegal turnover, including: heroin – 37.9 kg, cannabis group - 112 kg and synthetic drugs – 300 g.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

12.01.2022 Employees of the Main Department for Combating Organized Crime of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Azerbaijan in the course of investigations in the Barda region detained a group of people involved in drug smuggling. As a result, **26 kg of heroin**, an AK-74 assault rifle, a machine-gun belt, 233 cartridges of various calibers, F-1 and RDG-5 grenades were found and confiscated from the detainees.

<https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/563335>

12.01.2022 Police officers in the course of operational-search activities in the city of Shirvan detained two local residents, who seized **2 kg of heroin**.

<https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/563471>

14.01.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Binagadi district of Baku city detained a previously convicted man, who was found to have **4 kg of heroin** and **300 g of methamphetamine** at his place of residence. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/564093>

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

12.01.2022 Employees of the Security Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic during the operational-search activities on the Batken-Isfana highway stopped a car driven by a resident of the Batken region. During a search of the car, **5 kg of hashish** was found and seized in the back seat.

https://24.kg/proisshestviya/220228_jitel_batkenskoy_oblasti_spryatal_vodvore_doma_partiyu_afganskih_narkotikov/

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

11.01.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the village of Kukan, Khabarovsk Territory, detained a 39-year-old local resident, who was found to have **30 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/27875907>



11.01.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Krasnoyarsk Territory detained a 53-year-old local resident, who was found to have **3.5 kg of heroin** at his place of residence. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/27880422>

12.01.2022 Police officers in the course of carrying out operational-search activities in the Kaluga region detained two men, who were confiscated **488 g of heroin**.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/27900296>

12.01.2022 Police officers in the city of Nalchik detained two citizens of the near abroad, aged 19 and 25, who were found to have **460 g of heroin** and confiscated.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/27906184>

14.01.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Nizhny Novgorod region detained a man who was involved in the sale of drugs. During a personal search, **1.5 kg of heroin** was found and confiscated from the detainee. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/27947129>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

13.01.2022 Employees of the State Customs Committee in the village of Khasanbai, Tashkent region, stopped a Damas car, in which there were several people. During a search of the car, a bag with 480 parcels disguised as potatoes was found. They contained **77 kg of opium and hashish**. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/narkokurey-zamaskirovali-opiy-i-gashish-pod-kartofel-chtoby-provezti-ego-v-tashkent/>

OTHER COUNTRIES

BELGIUM

15.01.2022 Police officers in the port of Ghent, during an inspection of a ship that arrived from Brazil, found and seized **500 kg of cocaine** inside a consignment of fruit juice. Six persons were detained in connection with this fact. <https://www.vrt.be/vrtnews/en/2022/01/21/half-a-tonne-of-cocaine-seized-at-ghent-docks/>

GREAT BRITAIN

10.01.2022 Police officers at the port of Southampton, while checking a container of bananas that arrived from Colombia, found and seized **103 kg of cocaine** worth 7.5 million pounds. <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-hampshire-59993435>

GERMANY

11.01.2022 Police officers in the city of Chemnitz, Saxony have seized **700 kg of cocaine** after employees of a food company reported finding 600 bags of strange substances. The matter is under investigation. https://www.polizei.sachsen.de/de/MI_2022_86323.htm

GREECE

13.01.2022 Police officers on the beach of the island of Rhodes found **180,000 Captagon tablets**. The matter is under investigation.



<https://greekcitytimes.com/2022/01/18/greek-police-seized-more-than-180000-jihadist-drug-pills-on-island-of-rhodes/>

INDIA

13.01.2022 Police officers in the city of Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, detained two women who were seized **1 kg of heroin**. <https://www.eastmojo.com/news/2022/01/13/arunachal-two-women-busted-with-drugs-worth-rs-1-25-cr/>

13.01.2022 Police officers at the Royapuram railway station in Chennai, Tamil Nadu, detained five local residents who were seized **160 kg of marijuana**. <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/chennai/five-arrested-for-smuggling-in-and-selling-ganja-in-chennai-160-kg-of-drug-seized/article38273073.ece>

COSTA RICA

11.01.2022 Officials from the Ministry of Public Security in Limon City stopped a van loaded with heavy machinery engines. During a search, packages of **cocaine** were found inside one of the engines (weight not specified). <https://www.nacion.com/sucesos/narcotrafico/furgon-llevaba-cocaina-camouflada-en-motores-de/DNY3UPFJLNATVKNHOI3CPIPVE/story/>

MEXICA

11.01.2022 Navy personnel, in a joint operation with maritime customs at the port of Lázaro Cárdenas, Michioacan, discovered and seized **38 kg of cocaine** while inspecting the hold of the Bay Pearl. <https://www.jornada.com.mx/notas/2022/01/10/politica/asegura-semar-mas-de-38-kg-de-cocaina-en-lazaro-cardenas-michoacan/>

NEW ZEALAND

14.01.2022 Police officers in the Canterbury area seized **10 kg of cocaine** brought from Colombia. On this fact, 9 local men involved in drug smuggling were detained. <https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/crime/127510733/10kg-of-cocaine-believed-to-be-linked-to-colombian-syndicate-seized>

NIGERIA

14.01.2022 Employees of the National Drug Enforcement Agency in Edo state stopped a truck driven by a local resident. During a search of the truck, **3,000 tramadol tablets, 12,500 diazepam tablets and 900 bottles of codeine** were found and seized. <https://www.vanguardngr.com/2022/01/ndlea-intercepts-1-5m-tramadol-tablets-other-drugs-trafficked-from-lagos-to-kebbi-kano/>

PAKISTAN

14.01.2022 Police officers in the city of Sukkur stopped a passenger bus en route to Karachi from Balochistan. During the search of the bus, **12 kg of hashish and 17 kg of opium** were found and seized. Five people have been arrested in connection with this incident. <https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/925112-large-cache-of-drugs-seized-drug-peddlers-arrested>

USA

11.01.2022 Police officers in Forsyth County, North Carolina, detained a local resident who was found and seized at his place of residence **13 kg of methamphetamine, 3.5 kg of marijuana** and **153 g of cocaine**. <https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/over-30-pounds-of-meth-seized-in-winston-salem-arrest-3-6-million-in-drugs-found-police-say/>

14.01.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officers in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, found and seized **3 kg of ketamine** inside two boxing mats while checking a shipment from the Netherlands. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/philadelphia-cbp-knocks-out-shipment-dangerous-ketamine-concealed>

TAILAND

11.01.2022 Police officers in Phrae province stopped a truck driven by a local resident. During a search of a truck inside tea bags, **20 kg of methamphetamine** and **5.6 million amphetamine tablets** were found and seized. <https://thethaiger.com/hot-news/drugs/methamphetamine-seized-from-truck-in-northern-thailand>

UKRAINE

13.01.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the village of Gorohovshchina, Volyn region, detained two local men who organized a laboratory for the manufacture of precursors at their place of residence. During the search, **30 kg of the chemical phenylnitropropene** and **160 liters of sulfuric acid** were found and seized. <https://www.npu.gov.ua/news/narkozlochyni/vigotovlyali-ta-zbuvali-prekursori-v-osoblivo-velikix-rozmirax-nalini-postanut-pered-sudom-uchasniki-zlochynnoji-grupi/>

MONTENEGRO

13.01.2022 Police officers in the city of Podgorica, during an inspection of a food warehouse inside a batch of bananas, found and seized **400 kg of cocaine**. <https://apnews.com/article/europe-crime-montenegro-podgorica-90d229191182deba8bffc81c1a335615>