

WEEKLY SUMMARY ON THE FACTS OF THE SEIZURE OF NARCOTIC DRUGS, PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR PRECURSORS

(based on mass media reports)

25.04. to 30.04.2022

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In the period from 25 to 30 April 2022, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **116 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 48.5 kg, cannabis group drugs - 48.7 kg and synthetic drugs - 19.5 kg.**

Seizures of drugs in the CARICC member states from April 25 to April 30 2022, based on information from the media

Type of drugs (kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	47			1,5			
Cannabis group	31,5	5,7	5,5	6			
Synthetic drugs		0,534		15			4
Total	78,5	6,2	5,5	22,5			4

In other countries, during the specified period, 7 tons 497 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances were seized from illicit trafficking, including: heroin – 171 kg, cocaine – 7 t 35 kg, cannabis group – 290 kg and synthetic drugs – 453 g.

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

25.04.2022 Employees of the State Border Service on the territory of the frontier post of the Horadiz border detachment in the vicinity of the village of Avash, when searching the territory, found a bundle in the bushes containing **20.9 kg of marijuana, 12 kg of heroin and 3,000 methadone tablets.** <https://media.az/society/1067857969/gps-predotvratila-kontrabandu-narkotikov-iz-irana-v-azerbaydzhan-foto/>

27.04.2022 Employees of the State Border Service in the village of Alasha, Astara district, detained a 32-year-old local resident, who was seized **10.6 kg of marijuana and 6 kg of heroin.** <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/597731>

27.04.2022 Police officers during a large-scale operation in the city of Baku detained 30 people involved in drug trafficking. As a result, **29 kg of heroin** were seized from illicit trafficking. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/597336>

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

25.04.2022 Employees of the Department for Combating Drug Crime in the city of Kostanay detained a 21-year-old local resident, who was found to have **534 g of mephedrone** at his place of residence. <https://kstnews.kz/news/crime/item-73543>

25.04.2022 Employees of the Department for Combating Drug Crime detained a 44-year-old resident of the city of Semey, who was found and seized **5.7 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://semey.city/novosti-semeya/46812/>

REPUBLIC OF KYRGYZSTAN

25.04.2022 Employees of the Service for Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking on the Bishkek-Osh highway stopped a car with two residents of Toktogul district inside. During the search of the car, **5.5 kg of hashish** was found and seized.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/232189_bolshe_pyati_kilogrammova_gashisha_izyalyi_unarkotorgovtsev_vtoktogule/

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

25.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Yaroslavl region detained a 31-year-old local resident, who was seized **500 g of mephedrone**.

<https://мвд.рф/news/item/29791070>

25.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Samara detained a 24-year-old local resident, who was seized **263 g of heroin**. The detainee planned to distribute prohibited substances on the territory of the Samara region through caches.

<https://мвд.рф/news/item/29791516>

26.04.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the village of Aleksandrovka, Saratov region, detained a 58-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **5 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29801159>

26.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Kursk region stopped a car driven by a 42-year-old resident of Moscow. During the search of the car, **5 kg of methylephedron** was found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29824471>

26.04.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Krasnoyarsk Territory detained a 40-year-old local resident who equipped a laboratory for the production of synthetic drugs in a rented garage. During the search, **2.7 kg of mephedrone** and laboratory equipment were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29811300>

27.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the village of Vvedenovka, Ryazan region, detained a 33-year-old resident of Moscow, who equipped a laboratory for growing hemp in the house. During the search, **64 hemp bushes** and **1 kg of marijuana** were found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29799435>

28.04.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Lipetsk region stopped a car driven by a 26-year-old resident of Tver. During a search of the car, **1.1 kg of mephedrone** was found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29888955>

28.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Bryansk region detained a 32-year-old resident of the Belgorod region, who was seized **5.7 kg of methylephedron**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29883044>

29.04.2022 Police officers in the course of carrying out operational-search activities in the village of Khyrkasy of the Chuvash Republic stopped a car driven by a 24-year-old citizen of one of the neighboring countries. During the search of the car behind the lining of the front door and in the passenger compartment, a parcel with **300 g of heroin** was found and seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29914347>

30.04.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Proletarsky district of the Tver region detained a 22-year-old local resident, who was found to have **1 kg of heroin** at his place of residence. The detainee planned to distribute the drug on the territory of Tver in a non-contact way through hiding places. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/29922081>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

28.04.2022 Employees of the Department of Internal Affairs in the Pakhtachinsky district detained a 60-year-old local resident who was cultivating hemp on a plot of land. During the search, **625 cannabis bushes** were found and seized. <https://iiv.uz/news/paxtachida-625-tup-kannabis-ostirib-kelayotgan-shaxs-qolga-olindi>

30.04.2022 Employees of the Ministry of Internal Affairs detained a resident of the Yangikhetsky district of the city of Tashkent, who was involved in the illegal circulation of synthetic drugs. The detainee received drugs by mail from Russia and then sold them in the city. Upon receipt of the next batch at the branch of JSC "International Post", he was detained with **4 kg of the synthetic drug alpha-PVP**. The incident is under investigation to identify other persons involved. <https://iiv.uz/news/rossiya-federatsiyasidan-yuborilgan-4-kilogramga-yaqin-sintetik-giyohvandlik-vositalari-toxtatib-qolindi>

OTHER COUNTRIES

AUSTRALIA

29.04.2022 Police officers in the city of Adelaide, South Australia, detained a 42-year-old local resident who equipped a cannabis laboratory in a warehouse. During the search, **150 kg of cannabis** and **180 hemp bushes** were found and seized. <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-04-29/drug-bust-leads-to-second-cannabis-seizure-in-adelaide/101027480>

CYPRUS

28.04.2022 Police officers at Larnaca International Airport detained a 34-year-old man whom was found and seized **3.6 kg of cocaine** inside his luggage. <https://www.financialmirror.com/2022/04/28/man-caught-with-3-6-kilos-of-cocaine-at-larnaca-airport/>

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

25.04.2022 Employees of the National Drug Control Administration in the port of Caucedo, during the inspection of a container that arrived from Guatemala, found and seized **180 kg**

of cocaine inside a shipment of coffee. The cargo was destined for shipment to Canada.
<https://www.dncd.gob.do/index.php/noticias1/noticias/item/1309-incautan-otros-180-paquetes-presumiblemente-cocaina-en-puerto-caucedo>

ECUADOR

25.04.2022 Police officers in the port of Posorje found and seized **4 tons of cocaine** while checking a container of bananas bound for Lithuania.
<https://www.eluniverso.com/noticias/seguridad/casi-4-toneladas-de-cocaina-fueron-decomisadas-en-una-carga-de-banano-que-salia-del-puerto-de-posorja-nota/>

GREAT BRITAIN

29.04.2022 Employees of the National Crime Agency in the Huyton district of Liverpool stopped a truck with two local residents inside. During the search of the truck, **31 kg of heroin** and **10 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. <https://www.itv.com/news/granada/2022-04-29/millions-of-pounds-worth-of-heroin-and-cocaine-seized-in-drug-bust>

INDIA

28.04.2022 Employees of the Narcotics Control Bureau in the city of New Delhi detained a local resident who was involved in the transport of drugs. During a search at the detainee's place of residence, **50 kg of heroin** was found and confiscated. The detainee kept the drugs in backpacks and Flipkart large-scale e-commerce packages and transported drugs under the pretense of delivering various goods. <https://www.ndtv.com/delhi-news/50-kg-heroin-rs-30-lakh-cash-seized-from-delhis-shaheen-bagh-2928915>

29.04.2022 Employees of the Department of Tax Intelligence in the port of Pipav, Gujarat, during the inspection of a container with large bags of thread, arrived from Iran, found and seized **90 kg of heroin**. It turned out that the threads were soaked in a solution containing heroin, then dried, rolled into bales and packed in bags for export. <https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/threads-soaked-in-heroin-worth-rs-450-crore-seized-from-gujarat-port-2932920>

ITALY

30.04.2022 Police officers in the port of Gioia Tauro, during the inspection of a container of bananas that arrived from Ecuador, found and seized **650 kg of cocaine**. The cargo was intended for shipment to Greece and further to Macedonia, as well as to the countries of the Balkan region. <https://www.ilreggino.it/cronaca/2022/04/30/porto-di-gioia-tauro-la-droga-sequestrata-destinata-allesterio/>

JAMAICA

30.04.2022 Police officers in the St. James area stopped a Toyota car driven by a 46-year-old man. During the search of the car, **11 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. During additional activities at the place of residence of the detainee, 5 million US dollars in cash was found.
<https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latest-news/nearly-1-billion-seized-in-cash-cocaine-in-westmoreland/>

NETHERLANDS

25.04.2022 Customs officers at the port of Rotterdam, while checking a container of bananas that arrived from Ecuador, found and seized **1.1 tons of cocaine** worth 82 million euros.

<https://www.om.nl/actueel/nieuws/2022/04/25/douane-onderschept-1099-kilo-cocaine-tussen-bananen>

OMAN

26.04.2022 Officers of the Royal Police of Oman in the province of Al-Batinah detained three foreign citizens who were seized **42 kg of hashish**.

<https://timesofoman.com/article/116034-police-seizes-42-kilograms-of-drugs-in-north-al-batinah>

PAKISTAN

25.04.2022 Police officers in the village of Darbar Pir Moti, Punjab province, stopped a car with three local residents inside. During the search of the car, **98 kg of hashish** were found and seized. <https://tribune.com.pk/story/2354132/over-90kg-of-charas-seized-three-held>

PERU

25.04.2022 National Police officers in the city of Cusco stopped a truck with two local men inside. During the search of the truck, **1 ton of cocaine** disguised in gas cylinders was found and seized. The cargo was intended for shipment to the Netherlands.

<https://larepublica.pe/sociedad/2022/04/22/cusco-incautan-mas-de-mil-kilos-de-cocaina-camuflada-en-balones-de-gas/>

SPAIN

29.04.2022 Employees of the Customs Supervision Service of the Tax Administration, as part of a joint operation with the Civil Guard in the port of Las Palmas, during a search of a ship that arrived from Brazil, **80 kg of cocaine** were found and seized inside a consignment of grain. <https://www.europapress.es/islas-canarias/noticia-intervienen-80-kilogramos-cocaina-casco-buque-brasil-atracar-puerto-palmas-20220427111739.html>

USA

26.04.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officers in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, while checking goods shipped from Jamaica, found and seized **1 kg of cocaine** inside an insulated thermos liner. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-philadelphia-new-york-and-cincinnati-collaborate-capture>

29.04.2022 Police officers in the city of Anchorage, Alaska, detained five local residents who were involved in drug trafficking. During a search at the place of residence of the detainees, **4,700 fentanyl tablets** and **453 g of crystal methamphetamine** were found and confiscated. <https://www.alaskasnewsresource.com/2022/04/28/2-drug-busts-among-largest-fentanyl-seizures-alaska-history-with-more-than-356000-worth-drugs-seized/>