

WEEKLY SUMMARY
ON THE FACTS OF THE SEIZURE OF NARCOTIC DRUGS,
PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR PRECURSORS
 (based on mass media reports)

17.10. to 30.10.2022

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In the period from 17 to 30 October 2022, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **127.2 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 470 g, opium – 15.7 kg, cannabis group drugs – 49.1 kg and synthetic drugs – 62 kg.**

Seizures of drugs in the CARICC member states from 17 to 30 October 2022, based on information from the media

Type of drugs (kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	0,470						
Opium	15,7						
Cannabis group	7	2,7		30			9,4
Synthetic drugs	2	15		45			
Total	25,1	17,7		75			9,4

In other countries, during the specified period, 7 t 966 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances were seized from illicit trafficking, including: heroin – 8.8 kg, cocaine – 6 t 757 kg, cannabis group – 571 kg and synthetic drugs – 629 kg.

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

22.10.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Bilasuvar region detained two previously convicted men, who seized **5.7 kg of opium, 2 kg of methamphetamine, 470 g of heroin and 2,200 methadone tablets.** <https://ru.oxu.az/society/656210>

27.10.2022 On the territory of the border outpost of the Goytepe border detachment, located near the village of Jafarli in the Jalilabad region, smuggling of drugs into Azerbaijan was prevented. During the inspection of the area, a bag with **10 kg of opium and 7 kg of marijuana** was found and seized. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/657938>

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

27.10.2022 Employees of the Department for Combating Drug Crime in the city of Almaty detained a 33-year-old local resident who organized a laboratory for the production of synthetic drugs in a rented private house in the village of Tuzdybastau, Almaty region. During the search, laboratory equipment, glass bowls and **15 kg of mephedrone** were found and seized. <https://polisia.kz/ru/krupnyuyu-narkolaboratoriyu-likvidirovali-v-almaty/>

28.10.2022 Police officers in the Akmola region stopped a car driven by a 44-year-old local resident. During a search of the car, bundles with **hashish** weighing **2.7 kg** were seized in the cabin. <https://polisia.kz/ru/gashish-v-osobo-krupnom-razmere-iz-yali-u-zhitelya-kokshetau/>

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

17.10.2022 Police officers in the Kirov region stopped a car driven by a 37-year-old local resident. During the search of the car, **3 kg of mephedrone** was found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33151692>

18.10.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the city of Armavir, Krasnodar Territory, detained a 23-year-old local resident, who was seized **3 kg of mephedrone**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33175770>

19.10.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Kemerovo detained a 28-year-old local resident, who was seized **500 g of mephedrone**. The detainee was a courier for a shady online drug store. She received wholesale shipments of the drug and distributed doses to different parts of the city through a network of so-called bookmarks. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33197919>

19.10.2022 Police inspectors in the Kurgan region on the Shadrinsk-Yalutorovsk highway stopped a Lexus car driven by a 27-year-old man. When inspecting the interior of the vehicle, the police found a sports bag containing 16 bags of **mephedrone** with a total weight of **37 kg**. The detainee took a wholesale bookmark on the territory of the Kurgan region and had to put the packages in hiding places on the territory of Chelyabinsk, Yekaterinburg, Perm, Moscow and a number of other cities. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33190422>

20.10.2022 Police officers in the Ulyanovsk region stopped a car driven by a 35-year-old resident of the Penza region. During the search of the car, **5 kg of marijuana** was found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33204801>

20.10.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Kemerovo region detained a 47-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **3 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33220903>

21.10.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Astrakhan detained a local resident who equipped a greenhouse for growing hemp at his place of residence. During the search, **9 kg of marijuana** was found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33243786>

25.10.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Tula detained two local residents, who were found and confiscated **1 kg of mephedrone** and **3 kg of marijuana** at their place of residence. The detainees were engaged in the sale of drugs through online stores. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33312099>

25.10.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the city of Makhachkala detained a 63-year-old local resident, who was found and seized **5 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33310299>

26.10.2022 Police officers on the Ural highway in the Penza region stopped a car heading to the city of Samara. During a search of the car, in the cabin, they found and seized **2 kg of hashish**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33339126>

28.10.2022 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the Kaluga region detained a local resident, who was found and seized **3 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33383059>

28.10.2022 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Rostov-on-Don detained a 36-year-old local resident, who was found to have 500 g of alpha-PVP at her place of residence. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/33382399>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

27.10.2022 Employees of the State Security Service at the "Darband" checkpoint of the Baysun district stopped a car with three residents of the Uzun district inside. During a search of the car, in the cabin, they found and seized **9.4 kg of hashish** of Afghan origin. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/operativniki-sgb-zaderzhali-11-chlenov-transgranichnoy-prestupnoy-gruppy-zanimavshikhsya-tranzitom-n/>

OTHER COUNTRIES

BELARUS

27.10.2022 Customs officers in the city of Brest stopped a car driven by a local resident. During the search of the car, **77 kg of hashish** were found in a cache equipped between the floor and the bottom of the car. Three people have been arrested in connection with this incident. <https://vb.by/society/incidents/v-breste-zaderzhany-uchastniki-opg-postavlyavshej-gashish-iz-es-v-rossiyu.html>

BRAZIL

23.10.2022 Federal police officers at the port of Santos, while checking a container bound for Sudan, found and seized **125 kg of cocaine** in the middle of a cargo of ceramic tiles. <https://www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2022/10/pf-e-receita-federal-apreendem-aproximadamente-125-kg-de-cocaina>

COSTA RICA

26.10.2022 Drug Enforcement Police officers at the Moine container terminal in Limón province found and seized **400 kg of cocaine** while checking a container bound for



Belgium. <https://www.radioamerica.hn/costa-rica-decomisa-400-kilos-de-cocaina-en-un-contenedor-que-iba-belgica/>

ECUADOR

17.10.2022 Officers of the National Police in the port of Guayaquil found and seized **5 tons of cocaine** while checking a container bound for Belgium. <https://www.policia.gob.ec/dos-operaciones-antinarcoicos-dejan-como-resultado-la-incautacion-de-5-5-toneladas-de-droga/>

GERMANY

17.10.2022 Customs officers at the port of Hamburg, while checking a container of bananas, found and seized **350 kg of cocaine** inside the refrigerated compartment of the container. <https://www.presseportal.de/blaulicht/pm/50367/5346831>

INDIA

20.10.2022 Bangalore police detained three smugglers who had **1.1 kg of hashish** and **4 kg of marijuana**. The detainees used the railroad to transport drugs from Assam. The estimated street value of the drugs was INR 550,000. <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/bangalore/inter-state-drug-racket-busted-three-arrested-in-bengaluru/article66035830.ece>

22.10.2022 Imphal police arrested two men with **1.1 kg of heroin** hidden in soap boxes while inspecting the bus used by the detainees. <https://dmp.unodc.org/node/1416768>

LEBANON

20.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Beirut intercepted a road roller bound for Sudan and seized **165 kg of Captagon** hidden inside the cargo. A citizen of Syria was detained on this fact. <https://www.thenationalnews.com/mena/lebanon/2022/10/20/lebanon-seizes-huge-haul-of-captagon-destined-for-sudan-at-port-of-beirut/>

NETHERLANDS

20.10.2022 Customs officers at the port of Vlissingen intercepted **254 kg of cocaine**. The drugs were hidden in a container loaded with banana boxes and came from Ecuador. <https://www.om.nl/binaries/large/content/gallery/om/content-afbeeldingen/parketten/ap-rotterdam/harc-team/drugs-tussen-bananen-20-10-vlissingen.jpg>

23.10.2022 Customs officers at the port of Rotterdam seized **207 kg of cocaine**. The drugs were in a container of pineapples from the Dominican Republic and were destined for a company in the Netherlands. The criminals made a double bottom in the boxes in which the cocaine was hidden. <https://www.om.nl/actueel/nieuws/2022/10/23/douane-onderschept-207-kilo-cocaine-in-dozen-met-ananassen>

PAKISTAN

19.10.2022 Police officers in the Nastya Kot area stopped a car driven by a local resident. During the search of the car, **3 kg of hashish** was found and seized. <https://www.urdupoint.com/en/pakistan/police-recover-384kg-hashish-during-snap-che-1580800.html>

20.10.2022 Police in Dera Ismail Khan detained two men on a motorcycle carrying **11 kg of hashish** hidden under their clothes. <https://dmp.unodc.org/node/1416646>

ROMANIA

17.10.2022 Employees of the Office for the Investigation of Organized Crime and Terrorism in the city of Cluj-Napoca detained a man who was seized **5.6 kg of marijuana**. <https://www.diicot.ro/mass-media/3738-comunicat-de-presa-17-19-10-2022>

20.10.2022 Employees of the Department for the Investigation of Organized Crime and Terrorism in the city of Bucharest detained two men, who were found and seized **50 kg of cannabis** at their place of residence. <https://www.diicot.ro/mass-media/3761-comunicat-de-presa-3-21-10-2022>

SERBIA

20.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Novi Sad detained a 39-year-old man who was found and seized **1 kg of amphetamine** at his place of residence. <https://dmp.unodc.org/node/1416612>

SURINAME

20.10.2022 Police officers at the port of Jules Sedney, while checking a container of rice bound for the Netherlands, found and seized **cocaine** (weight not specified) in the iron bars of the door beams of four 20-foot containers. <https://www.waterkant.net/suriname/2022/10/19/cocaine-in-deuren-van-rijstcontainers-op-haven-aangetroffen/>

SPAIN

19.10.2022 Civil guards found **66 kg of cocaine** hidden inside industrial equipment in the port of Algeciras. <https://www.guardiacivil.es/es/prensa/noticias/8352.html>

28.10.2022 Employees of the civil guard in the port of Ceuta, during the inspection of a container that arrived from Morocco, inside oxygen cylinders, found and seized **400 kg of hashish**. <https://maritime-executive.com/article/spanish-customs-finds-400-kilos-of-hash-hidden-in-oxygen-bottles>

TURKIYE

19.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Trabzon detained a local resident, who was found and seized **6 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://www.sondakika.com/haber/haber-jandarmadan-skunk-operasyonu-15369525/>

19.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Kayseri stopped the bus. During a search of the bus, **12 kg of synthetic drugs** were found hidden in one of the passengers' luggage. Five people have been arrested in connection with this incident. <https://www.sondakika.com/haber/haber-kayseri-haberleri-kayseri-de-yolcu-otobusunde-uyusturucu-15370451/>

19.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Samsun detained a local resident, who was found and seized **3 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://www.sondakika.com/haber/haber-12-yildir-aranan-sahis-saklandigi-kulubede-15371350/>

21.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Diyarbakır detained a local resident, who was found and seized **11 kg of cannabis** at his place of residence. <https://www.sondakika.com/haber/haber-diyarbakir-haberi-diyarbakir-da-uyusturucu-operasyonunda-1-supheli-15375294/>

23.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Manisa stopped a car driven by a local resident. During a search of the car, they found **1 kg of methamphetamine**. <https://www.sondakika.com/haber/haber-manisa-haber-manisa-da-otomobilinde-uyusturucu-bulunan-kisi-15379788/>

UAE

27.10.2022 Police officers in the city of Dubai stopped a truck with four local men inside. During a search of the truck, **436 kg of synthetic drugs** were found and seized inside packing bags filled with a mixture of natural and plastic beans. <https://www.gulftoday.ae/news/2022/10/26/dubai-police-seize-436kg-of-drugs-hidden-in-shipment-of-legumes>

URUGUAY

17.10.2022 Law enforcement officers in the port of Montevideo, during the inspection of a ship bound for Spain, found and seized **335 kg of cocaine** on board the ship. [https://www.aduanas.gub.uy/innovaportal/v/24403/6/innova.front/exitoso-operativo:-se-incautan-335-kilos-de-cocaina-con-un-valor-de-us\\$-25-millones.html](https://www.aduanas.gub.uy/innovaportal/v/24403/6/innova.front/exitoso-operativo:-se-incautan-335-kilos-de-cocaina-con-un-valor-de-us$-25-millones.html)

USA

17.10.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officers at the port of entry in Hidalgo, Texas stopped a Ford from Mexico. During the search of the car, **20 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-seize-over-1-million-cocaine-hidalgo-and-anzalduas>

24.10.2022 US Customs and Border Protection officers at the El Paso, Texas port of entry stopped a vehicle driven by a 29-year-old US citizen. During a search of the car, **14 kg of methamphetamine** were found and seized. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-stop-multiple-hard-narcotic-smuggling-attempts-0>

ZIMBABWE

23.10.2022 Police officers at the Robert Gabriel Mugabe International Airport detained an Indian citizen who was seized with **7.7 kg of heroin**. The detainee was heading to India via Ethiopia. <https://bulawayo24.com/index-id-news-sc-local-byo-224721.html>