

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

16.01. to 22.01.2023

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In the period from 16 to 22 January 2023, based on information from mass media law enforcement bodies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **124 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 19.8 kg, opium – 4.9 kg, cannabis group drugs – 83.4 kg and synthetic drugs – 15.7 kg.**

Seizures of drugs in the CARICC member states from 16 to 22 January 2023, based on information from the media

Type of drugs (kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	19,7			0,185			
Opium	4						0,954
Cannabis group	44,4	11,4	2,5	21			4,1
Synthetic drugs	0,390			15,3			
Total	68,4	11,4	2,5	36,4			5

In other countries, during the specified period, 4 t 240 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances were seized from illicit trafficking, including: heroin – 2 kg, cocaine – 4 t 158 kg, cannabis group – 73 kg and synthetic drugs – 6.8 kg.

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

17.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Hajigabul region detained a local resident, who was seized **2.4 kg of heroin**. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/685284>

18.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Bilasuvar region detained a local resident, who was seized **7 kg of heroin, 5.2 kg of hashish and 390 g of methamphetamine**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/685660>

19.01.2023 Employees of the State Border Service on the territory of the outpost of the Goytepe border detachment, located near the village of Yukhari Agali, Bilasuvar region, detained three men, who seized **24.3 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/686041>

20.01.2023 Employees of the State Border Service on the territory of the outpost of the border detachment "Horadiz", located near the village of Shukurbeyli, Jabrayil region, found and confiscated **9.9 kg of marijuana** and **3.2 kg of opium**. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/686752>

21.01.2023 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the city of Lankaran detained three men, who seized **4 kg of heroin** and **1 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/686815>

21.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Goychay region detained two men, who were seized **500 g of heroin**, **840 g of opium** and **1 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/686801>

21.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Jalilabad district detained a local man with a previous conviction, who was seized **5.8 kg of heroin** and **3 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/686851>

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

18.01.2023 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the city of Kyzylorda detained a 54-year-old man, who was found and seized **1.4 kg of marijuana** at his place of residence. <https://kzvesti.kz/zakon/oruzhie-i-narkotiki-izjali-u-kyzylordinca-80409/>

19.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Almaty detained a 52-year-old local man, who was found and seized **2 kg of hashish** at his place of residence. <https://polisia.kz/ru/krupnaya-partiya-narkotikov-i-oruzhie-iz-yaty-v-almaty/>

22.01.2023 Police officers during the operational-search activities in the city of Astana detained a resident of the Akmola region, who seized **8 kg of hashish**. <https://kazpravda.kz/n/narkosbytchika-zaderzhali-s-8-kg-gashisha-v-astane/>

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

22.01.2023 Employees of the Service for combating drug trafficking in the Alamudun district of the Chui region detained a man who was found to have **2.5 kg of cannabis** at his place of residence and seized. <https://mvd.gov.kg/news/1622>

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

16.01.2023 Police officers at the Pervomaisky post of the Tambov region stopped a car driven by a 24-year-old local resident. During the search of the car, **3 kg of hashish** were found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35036076>

17.01.2023 Police officers in the course of carrying out operational-search activities in the Bryansk region detained two foreign citizens, who were seized **185 g of heroin**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35061067>

17.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the city of Volokolamsk, Moscow Region, detained a 30-year-old man who had equipped a laboratory for the

production of synthetic drugs in his house. During the search, **5 kg of methylephedron**, laboratory equipment and precursors were found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35055440>

17.01.2023 Police officers at the stationary post "Magri" in the city of Sochi stopped a car driven by a 23-year-old resident of the Rostov region. During the search of the car, **5.5 kg of methylephedron** were found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35058968>

18.01.2023 Police officers in the city of St. Petersburg stopped a car, inside which were a 42-year-old resident of the Krasnodar Territory and a 40-year-old citizen of a neighboring state. During a search of the car, **850 g of mephedrone** were found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35104590>

18.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Samara region detained a man who was found and seized **3 kg of alpha-PVP** at his place of residence. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35087406>

19.01.2023 Police officers in the course of investigations in the Sakhalin region detained a 34-year-old resident who was engaged in the sale of drugs in a non-contact way. She received drugs as a parcel from an underground online store. She was detained immediately after receiving the package. In the box, the police found and seized **1 kg of N-methylephedron**. The drug was hidden in the heating unit of the coffee machine. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35140868>

20.01.2023 At the stationary police post "Malinovka" in Kazan, police officers stopped a car driven by a 40-year-old resident of the city of St. Petersburg. During the search of the car, under the lining of the front and rear seats, they found and seized **18 kg of hashish**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/35157548>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

17.01.2023 Law enforcement officers at the post "Sangzor-15" in Jizzakh region stopped a car driven by a 29-year-old man. During a search of the car, **205 grams of marijuana** were found and seized in the front passenger seat. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestiya/v-dzhizake-narkotorgovets-pytavshiy-sbezhat-ot-pravookhraniteley-protaranil-neskolko-avto-video/>

20.01.2023 Employees of the State Security Service at the post "Samarkand Muntazam", located in the Karmana district of the Navoi region, stopped a car driven by a 23-year-old man. During the search of the car, 992 g of hashish were found and seized. During additional operational activities in the city of Samarkand, a married couple was detained, from whom 2.9 kg of hashish were seized. In addition, a 37-year-old resident of Bulungur district was also arrested while selling 954 grams of opium in Samarkand. As a result, **3.9 kg of hashish** and **954 g of opium** were withdrawn from illegal circulation. During the investigation, it turned out that the narcotic substances were smuggled in from Tajikistan. <https://www.asiaplustj.info/ru/news/tajikistan/laworder/20230120/v-samarkande-raskrili-set-narkotorgovtsev>

OTHER COUNTRIES

BELARUS

20.01.2023 Customs officers on the Belarusian side of the Kamenny Log checkpoint stopped a car driven by a Lithuanian citizen. During the search of the car, **73 kg of hashish** were found and seized in the constructive cavity of the rear part of the car, closed with a specially equipped false wall. <https://www.customs.gov.by/news/ocherednaya-popytka-vvoza-v-belarus-so-storony-evrosoyuza-krupnoy-partii-narkotikov-na-etot-raz-73-k/>

BRAZIL

17.01.2023 Officers of the Federal Police at the port of Santos, during an inspection of a vessel bound for Turkey, found and seized **290 kg of cocaine** in the hull of a vessel loaded with pulp cargo. <https://www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2023/01/pf-marinha-do-brasil-e-receita-federal-efetuam-acao-conjunta-no-porto-de-santos>

20.01.2023 The Federal Tax Service seized about **11.4 kg of cocaine** in the port of Natal. The drug was in a bag aboard a ship bound for the port of Rotterdam in the Netherlands. <http://www.tribunadonorte.com.br/noticia/receita-federal-apreende-mais-de-11-kg-de-cocaa-na-no-porto-de-natal/556006>

BULGARIA

18.01.2023 Customs officers at the Kapitan Andreevo checkpoint stopped a truck driven by a 39-year-old Turkish citizen. During a search of the truck, **6.5 kg of cocaine** were found and seized inside the dashboard and behind the rear wall of the passenger compartment. <https://www.bta.bg/en/news/bulgaria/392611-6-5-kg-cocaine-seized-at-border-with-turkey>

COLOMBIA

16.01.2023 Employees of the Colombian Naval Service in the area of the anchorage of Cartagena-Bolivar, during an underwater inspection of a ship that was anchored in the area and headed for a US port, found and seized **185 kg of cocaine** in the sea box of the ship. <https://www.armada.mil.co/es/content/armada-colombia-incauta-185-kilogramos-cocaina-en-caribe-colombiano>

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

21.01.2023 Officers from the National Drug Control Administration in the city of Santo Domingo stopped a truck with two local residents inside. During a search of the truck, inside 80 cardboard boxes, 320 sheets of **cocaine** with a total weight of **48 kg** were found and seized. <https://dncd.gob.do/index.php/noticias1/noticias/item/1580-laminas-ocupadas-en-santo-domingo-este-pesaron-48-kilogramos-de-cocaina>

INDIA

20.01.2023 Police officers in the city of Feruzpur, Punjab, detained 9 men involved in drug smuggling. During the search, **2 kg of heroin** and firearms were seized from the detainees. <https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/chandigarh-news/drug-smuggling-gang-busted-9-held-with-2-kg-heroin-weapon-in-punjab-s-ferozepur-101674318535516.html>

ITALY

18.01.2023 Customs officers at the port of Savona, during an inspection of a cargo ship that arrived from South America, found and seized **1 ton of cocaine** on board the ship. <https://maritime-executive.com/article/italian-police-find-one-tonne-of-cocaine-aboard-chinese-freighter>

MEXICO

20.01.2023 Members of the Mexican Navy in the port of Lázaro Cárdenas, Michoacán, during an inspection of a merchant ship, found and seized **516 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.capitalmexico.com.mx/estados/semar-aduana-aseguran-media-tonelada-de-cocaina-en-el-puerto-de-lazaro-cardenas-michoacan/>

PAKISTAN

20.01.2023 Law enforcement officers at Peshawar International Airport seized **6.8 kg of methamphetamine** from a passenger bound for Jeddah. <https://arynews.tv/anf-seizes-100kg-hashish-in-gwadar-raid/>

PANAMA

18.01.2023 Law enforcement officers at the port of Colon found and seized **925 kg of cocaine** while checking a container bound for India. <http://www.policia.gob.pa/22124-incautan-paquetes-de-presunta-droga-en-un-puerto-de-coln.html?csrt=2888236202903199275>

PUERTO RICO

22.01.2023 Customs and Border Protection officials off the southeast coast of Puerto Rican stopped a boat carrying two Dominican citizens and one Colombian citizen. During the search of the boat, **1 ton of cocaine** was found and seized. <https://www.michigansthum.com/news/article/24M-worth-of-cocaine-seized-near-Puerto-Rico-3-17736391.php>

THAILAND

20.01.2023 Police officers at Phuket International Airport detained a 41-year-old citizen of Uzbekistan, who was found and seized **2.2 kg of cocaine** from her laptop bag. <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2488007/>

TURKIYE

16.01.2023 Customs officers at the port of Mersin, while checking a container that arrived from Ecuador, found and seized **56 kg of cocaine** inside the container's cooling system. <https://rhaajans.com/haber/13728891/mersin-limaninda-56-kilogram-kokain-ele-gecirildi>

USA

16.01.2023 US Customs and Border Protection officials at the Tecate Port of Entry in San Diego, California, stopped a truck carrying a commercial shipment of decorative stone.



During a search of the truck, **116 kg of cocaine** were found and seized. The cocaine packages were hidden inside a plaster-like material that looked like rocks.

<https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-officers-stone-night-and-seize-over-4-million-worth-cocaine>

20.01.2023 US Customs and Border Protection officials at the port of entry of Eagle Pass, Texas, stopped a vehicle. During the search of the car, **2.5 kg of cocaine** were found and seized in the side panels. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/eagle-pass-cbp-officers-seize-hard-narcotics-worth-over-800k>