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**CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY
 ON SEIZURES OF NARCOTIC DRUGS,
 PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR PRECURSORS**
 (based on mass media reports)

01.07. to 10.07.2023

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From 1 to 10 July 2023, based on information from the media, law enforcement agencies and security agencies of CARICC Member States seized **346 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin - 11 kg, opium - 13 kg, cocaine - 50 kg, cannabis group drugs - 95.8 kg, synthetic drugs - 176 kg, and 3 tons of precursors.**

Drug seizures in CARICC Member States

Type of drug (in kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	11.078						
Opium	11						2
Cocaine				50			
Cannabis group drugs	91.3	2.5		1.5			0.550
Synthetic drugs	8	0.250	6	162			
Total	121.3	2.7	6	213.5			2.5

Other countries in the world reported seizures of **1 ton 19 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances during the same period, including: 8.3 kg of heroin, 681 kg of cocaine, 50 kg of cannabis-group drugs and 280 kg of synthetic drugs.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

03.07.2023 Officers of the State Border Service found and seized **10 kg of marijuana** in the service territory of the border detachment "Goitepe" located near the village of Yusifli in Jalilabad district. <https://dsx.gov.az/news/1561>

04.07.2023 In the course of investigation operations in Baku city, police officers detained six men and found and seized **11 kg of heroin and 3 kg of marijuana** at their place of residence. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/749100>

08.07.2023 Officers of the State Border Service found and seized **4.3 kg of marijuana and 78 g of heroin** in the service territory of the border detachment "Goitepe" located near the village of Arus, Yardimli district. <https://dsx.gov.az/news/1562>



08.07.2023 Police officers in Baku city stopped a car driven by a local resident. A search of the vehicle revealed and seized **74 kg of marijuana, 11 kg of opium and 8 kg of methamphetamine** smuggled from Iran to Azerbaijan. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/750863>

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

09.07.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative actions in the city of Petropavlovsk detained a 27-year-old man and seized **250 g of mephedrone**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/chetvert-kilogramma-sintetiki-iz-yali-politsejskie-u-zhitelya-petropavlovsk/>

10.07.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative actions in the city of Taraz detained a 61-year-old man who was engaged in cultivation of cannabis at his place of residence. During a search they found and seized six bushes of **cannabis** with a total weight of **2.4 kg and 113 g of marijuana**.
<https://polisia.kz/ru/fitolaboratoriyu-po-proizvodstvu-narkotikov-likvidirovali-v-taraze/>

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

06.07.2023 Officers of the Service for Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking in the course of investigative actions in the Chui region detained a 22-year-old man and seized **6 kg of mephedrone**.
https://24.kg/proisshestviya/269800_vchuyskoy_oblasti_paren_iztaynika_zabiral_mefedron_ego_zaderjali/

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

01.07.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative actions in the Kirov region detained a criminal group that had set up a laboratory for production of synthetic drugs at their place of residence. A search revealed and seized laboratory equipment, **160 kg of alpha-PVP and 3 tons of precursors**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/39564545>

01.07.2023 Officers of the Federal Customs Service in the port of St. Petersburg during inspection of a container with bananas arriving from Africa inside its cooling system found and seized **50 kg of cocaine**. <https://customs.gov.ru/press/federal/document/405442>

03.07.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in the city of Kurgan, Kurgan region, detained a previously convicted woman and seized **1 kg of mephedrone**.
<https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/39620647>

05.07.2023 Police officers detained a 40-year-old man in Kemerovo region in the course of investigative actions, who was engaged in cannabis cultivation at his place of residence. During a search they found and seized **1.5 kg of marijuana and 74 cannabis bushes**.
<https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/39682927>

05.07.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative actions in the Ivanovo region detained a 44-year-old man who had set up a laboratory for production of synthetic drugs at his place of residence. A search revealed and seized laboratory equipment, **1 kg of mephedrone and 45 kg of precursors**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/39664796>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

01.07.2023 Officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in Denav district of Surkhandarya province stopped a car driven by a local resident. During a car search they found and seized **2 kg of opium and 550 g of hashish** inside luggage compartment. <https://kun.uz/uz/news/2023/06/28/dxx-qariyb-14-kg-qiyohvandlik-vositalarining-noqonuniy-aylanmasiga-chek-qoydi>

OTHER COUNTRIES

AUSTRALIA

05.07.2023 Officers from the Australian Police in the city of Sydney found and seized **230 kg of methamphetamine** inside an iron pulley during inspection of a consignment of industrial pulley arriving from China. Three men were detained in connection with the case. <https://www.afp.gov.au/news-media/media-releases/four-people-arrested-allegedly-importing-233kg-meth-industrial-pulley>

BULGARIA

10.07.2023 Law enforcement officers on the Silistra - Shumen highway stopped a Volkswagen Jetta with Sofia registration driven by a 52-year-old man from Sofia. During a search of the car, they found and seized **4 kg of cocaine** inside spare tire. https://novini247-com.translate.goog/novini/kokain-zad-nad-polovin-milion-leva-otkri-v-taynik-na-6500036.html? x_tr_sl=bg& x_tr_tl=en& x_tr_hl=nl

BRAZIL

01.07.2023 Officers of the Federal Revenue Service in the port of Santos during inspection of a ship bound for Nigeria found and seized **75 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/2023/06/pf-e-receita-federal-apreendem-cocaina-no-porto-de-santos-sp>

04.07.2023 Federal Revenue Service officers at the port of Santos during inspection of a container bound for Europe among cardboard rolls of food packaging paper found and seized **131 kg of cocaine**. <https://santaportal.com.br/policia/receita-federal-intercepta-131-kg-de-cocaina-no-porto-de-santos/>

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

01.07.2023 Officers of the National Drug Control Directorate (DNCD) at the port of Caucedo inspected a container bound for the Netherlands and found and seized 270 sheets of cardboard containing **71 kg of cocaine** inside boxes with bananas. <https://noticiassin.com/pais/ocupan-camufladas-en-cajas-de-bananos-270-laminas-presumiblemente-cocaina-en-caucedo-1449712/>

09.07.2023 Officers of the National Drug Control Directorate (DNCD) in the port of Caucedo during inspection of a container bound for Europe inside a shipment of bananas found and seized **400 kg of cocaine**. <https://dncd.gob.do/index.php/noticias1/noticias/item/1759-en-una-carga-que-simulaba-ser-guineos-ocupan-400-paquetes-presumiblemente-cocaina>

INDIA

03.07.2023 Customs officials at Mumbai airport seized **1.3 kg of heroin** from a foreigner. Smuggled drugs were concealed in a false pocket of a sports bag. <https://www.ndtv.com/mumbai-news/mumbai-airport-customs-drugs-worth-rs-12-98-crore-seized-at-mumbai-airport-4172195>

09.07.2023 Police officials in Assam province arrested four men and seized **1 kg of heroin**. <https://www.pratidintime.com/latest-assam-news-breaking-news-assam/assam-four-drug-smugglers-apprehended-in-balipara>

MYANMAR

09.07.2023 Police officers in Yangon area stopped a car driven by a local man. During a search of the vehicle they found and seized **46 kg of methamphetamine** valued at 1.15 billion kyat or 550 thousand US dollars. <https://english.news.cn/20230709/89882ec197cb48dba0c39c30b886c350/c.html>

QATAR

05.07.2023 Officers of the General Directorate for Drug Enforcement in Doha detained a man, and found and seized **50 kg of hashish and 4 kg of methamphetamine** at his place of residence. <https://www.gulf-times.com/article/664076/qatar/drugs-seized-man-held>

PAKISTAN

08.07.2023 Police officials in Lahore province seized **6 kg of heroin** after a large drone crashed in a field. An attempt to smuggle millions of rupees worth of drugs failed as the drone carrying heroin crashed in the fields of Rasoolpura village in Halloki, Kahna Town area. <https://www.nation.com.pk/08-Jul-2023/lahore-police-seize-6kg-heroin-after-large-size-drone-crashes-in-fields>