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

11.12. to 18.12.2023

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In the period from 11 to 18 December 2023, based on information from the media law enforcement agencies and security services of CARICC Member States seized **93.4 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: opium - 4 kg, cannabis group drugs - 68.7 kg and synthetic drugs - 20.7 kg.**

Drug seizures in CARICC Member States

Type of drug (in kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin							
Opium							4
Cannabis group drugs	30.6		0.562	10.1			27.5
Synthetic drugs	2		2.8	11.4			4.5
Total	32.6		3.3	21.5			36

During the same period, other countries seized **6 tons 530 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including 5 tons 981 kg of cocaine, 509 kg of cannabis-group drugs and 40 kg of synthetic drugs.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

14.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in Barda district detained a local resident and seized **3 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/815305>

15.12.2023 Officers of the State Border Service of "Lankaran" detachment, located near Alasha village of Astara district, prevented smuggling of narcotic drugs from Iran to Azerbaijan. During border inspection and operational measures, they found and seized **12 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/815929>

15.12.2023 Officers of the State Border Service of the detachment "Goradiz" detained an Iranian citizen who tried to violate the state border in the direction of the Republic of Azerbaijan at the service territory of the border post near the village of Beyuk Behmenli in Fizuli district. During personal examination of the detainee they found and seized **15.6 kg of marijuana**. <https://ru.oxu.az/criminal/815921>

18.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in Baku detained two men at whose place of residence they found and seized **2 kg of methamphetamine**. <https://ru.oxu.az/society/816916>

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

14.12.2023 Officers of the State Committee for National Security in Jalal-Abad region detained a police officer and seized **562 g of hashish**.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/282476_vdjalal-abadskoy oblasti zatorgovlyu narkotikami zaderjan sotrudnik militsii/

18.12.2023 Staff of the State Committee for National Security on the Ak-Jol - road checkpoint highway - Bishkek near the village of Konstantinovka, detained two young foreigners and seized **2.8 kg of mephedrone**. Seized shipment is worth about 15 million soms or 168 thousand US dollars.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/282589_inostrantsev_snarkotikami_na15millionov_somov_zaderjali_nedaleko_otbi_shkeka/

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

11.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in the city of Kursk detained a 24-year-old man and they seized **4 kg of hashish**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/44922582>

13.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative operations in the Leningrad region detained three men who had organized a clandestine drug laboratory in a metal caravan located in a summer cottage in the Mshinsky rural settlement of Luga district. During a search, they found and seized laboratory equipment, containers with chemical reagents and **3.6 kg of mephedrone**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45026774>

15.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in the city of St. Petersburg detained a 33-year-old man who tried to send **195 g of hashish** in a postal parcel at post office. An hour later, police detained a second suspect, a 29-year-old man, in a private house. The two accomplices had organized a drug laboratory for production of illegal substances. During a search, they found and seized 40 canisters of chemical reagents and precursors, laboratory utensils, measuring scales, work clothes and **2.5 kg of mephedrone**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45113511>

15.12.2023 In the course of investigative measures in the Republic of Chuvashia, police officers detained a 34-year-old resident of Cheboksary, at whose place of residence they found and seized **2 kg of cannabis**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45117815>

17.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in the city of Sochi detained a 45-year-old local resident, at whose place of residence found and seized **2 kg of marijuana**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45094751>

18.12.2023 Police officers in the city of Syktyvkar, Komi Republic, stopped a car driven by a man from another region. During a search of the car, they found and seized **5.3 kg of N-methylephedrone**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45210905>



18.12.2023 Police officers in the course of investigative measures in the Smolensk region detained a 32-year-old local resident at whose place of residence they found and seized **2 kg of marijuana**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/45188272>

REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

15.12.2023 Officers of the State Security Service and the Customs Committee stopped the sale in Uzbekistan of **27.5 kg of hashish and 4 kg of opium** smuggled from Tajikistan. Also, in Andijan province they discovered and seized **4.5 kg of mephedrone** smuggled from Kyrgyzstan.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/282383_vruz_izyali_krupnuyu_partiyu_narkotikov_zavezennyih_izkyrgyzstana_it_adjikistana/

OTHER COUNTRIES

AUSTRALIA

13.12.2023 Police found **3 kg of methylamphetamine and 4 kg of cocaine** in Rocky Cape, northwest Tasmania, after intercepting a car and boat traveling from Victoria to Tasmania. <https://www.9news.com.au/national/over-4-million-in-drugs-seized-in-biggest-bust-in-states-history/ed36bb30-b784-45db-bf39-229a0e3052cd>

COLOMBIA

15.12.2023 National Police officers in the port of Barranquilla during an inspection of a container bound for Belgium found and seized **2.4 tons of cocaine** mixed with charcoal. <https://www.eltiempo.com/justicia/conflicto-y-narcotrafico/policia-incauta-cocaina-del-clan-del-golfo-mezclada-en-carbon-que-iba-para-belgica-835846>

17.12.2023 National Police officers at the port of Santa Marta during the inspection of a container bound for Belgium found and seized **400 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.infobae.com/colombia/2023/12/16/narcos-ocultaron-400-kilos-de-cocaina-en-fruta-que-fueron-incautados-en-santa-marta-su-destino-era-europa/>

GERMANY

13.12.2023 Customs officers in the city of Baden-Baden, on the federal highway A5 stopped a truck driven by a 42-year-old Serbian citizen. During a search of the truck, inside a consignment of papers they found and seized **500 kg of hashish**. <https://www.presseportal.de/blaulicht/pm/121249/5673388>

PANAMA

16.12.2023 Law enforcement officers at a port terminal in the Pacific region inspected a container bound for Australia and found and seized **100 kg of cocaine**. https://www.tvn-2.com/nacionales/decomisan-100-paquetes-presunta-droga-servicio-nacional-aeronaval_1_2097441.html



SENEGAL

16.12.2023 Senegal navy seized **3 tons of cocaine** worth 210 million USD from a seven-crew boat moored off the coast of Dakar. <https://punchng.com/senegal-navy-seizes-210m-cocaine/>

SPAIN

14.12.2023 Police officers in the port of Algeciras, during inspection of a container arriving from Ecuador inside a shipment of pineapple found and seized **57 kg of cocaine**. <https://machalamovil.com/espana-decomiso-57-kilos-de-cocaina-ocultos-en-pinas-procedentes-de-ecuador/>

16.12.2023 Police officers in the port of Vigo, during an inspection of a container arriving from Ecuador inside a shipment of frozen fish found and seized **20 kg of cocaine**. <https://www.lavozdegalicia.es/noticia/vigo/vigo/2023/12/15/intervenidos-20-kilos-cocaina-contenedor-pescado-congelado-destinovigo/00031702649660380148989.htm>

TÜRKIYE

15.12.2023 Police officers in Afyonkarahisar, a city and district in western Turkey, stopped 3 trucks traveling to the city of Izmir. During inspection of the trucks, inside marble slabs they found and seized **1 million Captagon tablets and 37 kg of powdered Captagon**. <https://www.sondakika.com/3-sayfa/haber-afyonkarahisar-da-1-milyon-captagon-hapi-ele-gecir-16631731/>

18.12.2023 Police officers in the town of Balıkesir stopped an ambulance with three men inside. During a search of the vehicle, inside a suitcase they found and confiscated **9 kg of marijuana**. <https://www.sondakika.com/3-sayfa/haber-ambulansla-uyusturucu-sevkiyatina-nefes-kesen-oper-16643982/>