

## WEEKLY SUMMARY OF CARICC

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### ON CARICC MEMBER STATES

#### THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

**16.08.2018** Officers of the State Border Service intercepted the activities of an organized criminal group that supplied drugs to Azerbaijan from the Islamic Republic of Iran. At the border outpost near the village of Bala-Bahmanli, Fizuli region, border guards detected signs of a violation of the state border of Azerbaijan, as a result, two Iranian citizens were detained - residents of Maku city born in 1972 and 1995. Officers found and seized **1,335 kg of heroin, 570 g of opium, 265 g of methamphetamine, 670 g of marijuana and 10 psychotropic tablets**. In the course of further activities, residents of Baku - a 32-year-old woman, a man born in 1993 and an Iranian citizen who arrived for drugs on the car Hunday Elantra, were detained in the village of Araz-Dilagarda, Fuzuli region. During the search of the car and personal belongings of detainees, 6435 US dollars, 16,400 Azerbaijani manats, as well as methamphetamine, heroin and marijuana in bags of 5-10 g were found in a woman's bag. During the search at the address of the detained Iranian citizen in Baku, officers found **100 g of heroin**. Another member of an organized criminal group was detained, the organizer of the sale of narcotic drugs was a resident of the Agjabedi district born in 1975. In his apartment, **eight pills of psychotropic substance, 213 g of heroin and 1 g of opium** were found and seized. A total of 6 people were detained. On the present fact, the Main Directorate of the Investigation and Initial Inquiries of the State Border Service instituted criminal proceedings.

<https://ru.sputnik.az/incidents/20180816/416645094/prestupnaja-gruppa-narkotiki-iran-azerbaijan.html>

#### THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

**13.08.2018** Within the framework of the republican operative-preventive action "Koknar-2018", the officers of the Department for Combating Drug Trafficking of the Department of Internal Affairs of Astana have conducted a special operation to detain persons engaged in the supply and sale of drugs on the territory of the capital. During the operative-search activities aimed at interdiction of drug supply channels, a 36-year-old man was detained for selling hashish. During the search at the place of residence of the detainee, more than **14.5 kg of narcotic drugs, hashish and marijuana** prepared for marketing on the territory of the capital were seized.

[https://kt.kz/rus/crime/krupnuju\\_partiju\\_narkotikov\\_izyjali\\_policejskie\\_v\\_astane\\_1153661061.html](https://kt.kz/rus/crime/krupnuju_partiju_narkotikov_izyjali_policejskie_v_astane_1153661061.html)

#### KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

**17.08.2018** Officers of the South-Western Customs of the State Customs Service of the Kyrgyz Republic detained a man with **1.2 kg of hashish**, who was sending drugs to the countries of the Eurasian Economic Union.

<https://ru.sputnik.kg/incidents/20180817/1040663447/gashish-zaderzhanie-kyrgyzstan-granica.html>

**RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**13.08.2018** Officers of the Directorate for Drugs Control (UKON) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Bashkortostan detained a 23-year-old resident of Ufa and seized **1.5 kg of synthetic drugs** intended for contactless sale. In the apartment of the suspect, the drug police officers discovered a warehouse for banned substances. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14086549>

**13.08.2018** Officers of the UKON of the Main Directorate (GU) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Novosibirsk region, jointly with colleagues from the Main Directorate for Drugs Control (GUNK) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia, stopped the activities of a group of people engaged in the distribution of synthetic drugs in the territory of Novosibirsk. The criminal group included two residents of the Irkutsk region at the age of 21 and 22 years. During the search of the house, rented by suspects in one of the dacha societies of the Novosibirsk region, **more than 400 grams of synthetic drugs were seized**. There, laboratory utensils, six polymer canisters, two gas masks, two laboratory suits, a glass bottle with litmus, an electronic scale, a magnetic stirrer, which were used for the manufacture of narcotic drugs were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14086051>

**14.08.2018** Officers of the division for countering drug smuggling of Samara customs with the support of the special forces (SOBR) of customs arrested a resident of Samara, who acquired in the Internet from an unidentified person in the Republic of Belarus strong substances belonging to the category of anabolic steroids. The suspect received an international mail with medicines containing potent substances of **testosterone enanthate (20 ampoules, weight of substance 20,484 g) and nandrolone decanoate (10 ampoules, weight of substance 10,263 g)**. For the smuggling of potent substances, the suspect faces up to 7 years in prison. [http://ptu.customs.ru/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=14321:--l-r&catid=4:news&Itemid=88](http://ptu.customs.ru/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=14321:--l-r&catid=4:news&Itemid=88)

**14.08.2018** Officers of the Samara customs interdicted an attempt to smuggle in the international post of a drug containing a **potent dehydrochloromethyltestosterone**, which belongs to the group of anabolic steroids. A total of **100 pills** were seized, with a total weight of **10.117 g**. [http://ptu.customs.ru/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=14321:--l-r&catid=4:news&Itemid=88](http://ptu.customs.ru/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=14321:--l-r&catid=4:news&Itemid=88)

**16.08.2018** Officers of the UKON of MIA of Russia in the Tomsk region during the operative-search activities in the home of a suspect in drug trafficking located in the village of Barabinka, Tomsk region, seized more than **3.5 kg of synthetic narcotic drugs**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14132747>

**16.08.2018** Officers of the UKON of MIA of Russia in the Trans-Baikal region detained 13 residents of Chita and the Trans-Baikal Territory at the age of 19 to 27 years who sold drugs through so-called "bookmarks" caches. Drug police documented 17 particularly serious crimes related to the illegal sale of narcotic drugs by organization of hiding places in the territory of Chita. In the course of operative-search activities and investigative actions, **2.5 kg of a synthetic drug** were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14129231>

**16.08.2018** A 27-year-old resident of Dmitrov was detained in the village of Lunevo by officers of the drug control unit of the MIA of Russia in Solnechnogorsky district (Moscow

region) together with the Directorate for Drugs Control (UNK) in the Moscow region, by whom, during a personal search, more than **100 g of psychotropic substance amphetamine** were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14137650>

**16.08.2018** Officers of the Division for Drugs Control (OKON) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Kaluga region searched the apartment of a 39-year-old resident of Kaluga as part of the investigation into a criminal case, which resulted in the discovery and seizure of several plastic bags with **synthetic narcotic drugs** of two types, with a total mass of more than **1,620 g**. Drugs were intended for sale to drug addicts. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14129828>

**16.08.2018** Employees of the UKON GU of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Rostov region with the support of the special forces "Thunder" detachment detained a married couple suspected of selling drugs. During the search of the place of residence of the detainees, a package of juice was found, in which there was about **1 kg of heroin**. To increase the mass of the drug, the criminals added sugar powder to it. Suspects glued magnet to the drug package. During walks, the woman silently attached the portion of heroin to metal objects, after which the man took pictures and sent to the buyers information about the place of the "bookmark". <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14129852>

**17.08.2018** Officers of the UNK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Kaluga region and a separate battalion of the Traffic Patrol Service (DPS) of the regional administration in the course of operational and search activities aimed at identification and interdiction of the facts of illegal drug trafficking, identified two persons from Central Asia who sold narcotic drugs in the territory of Kaluga. In the Borovsk region, during the inspection of a personal vehicle on which suspects moved, 322 convolutions with narcotic **heroin** were found, with a total mass of **616.79 g**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14143463>

**17.08.2018** Officers of the UKON GU of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Krasnoyarsk Territory in cooperation with colleagues from the GUNK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia dismantled a clandestine laboratory for manufacturing large volumes of synthetic drugs. As a result of the operation, a 21-year-old Krasnoyarsk resident was detained, who organized a narcolaboratory in a private home. During the search, the police found scales, reagents, a pump, flasks, a plastic bag containing narcotic drugs prepared for further sale through "bookmarks" caches. More than **820 grams of synthetic drugs were seized**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14143022>

**17.08.2018** Officers of the UKON of MIA of Russia in the Tomsk region detained a 24-year-old from the Kemerovo region on suspicion of illegal sale of drugs in the territory of the region. The young man sold synthetic drugs through an online store. At the same time, conspiracy measures were observed: drugs were distributed in a non-contact way with the help of "bookmarks" caches. Payments were made using crypto currency. Officers seized **232 g of synthetic narcotic drug**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14142630>

**18.08.2018** Officers of the UNK of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Moscow region, together with colleagues from the Division for Drugs Control (ONK) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in "Serpukhovskoye" and the Division of the State Road Traffic Safety Inspection (OGIBDD) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for Moscow region



stopped a car in which there were two 27-year-old residents of Tambov. When the vehicle was inspected, about **1 kg of psychotropic substance amphetamine** was seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14152644>

**19.08.2018** Officers of the GU MVD of Russia in the Stavropol Territory, together with colleagues from the Regional Directorate of the Federal Security Service (FSB) of Russia, interdicted the illegal activities of an organized criminal community engaged in the sale of synthetic drugs in the territory of Karachaevo-Cherkessia, as well as the Stavropol and Krasnodar Territories. The organizer of the criminal group, while outside the Russian Federation, through the Internet, involved 12 more participants in committing crimes. They were engaged in the distribution of narcotic drugs, laying them in "caches". All members of the criminal community were identified and detained, nine of whom, including the organizer, were detained. During searches on places of residence of suspects and in caches, over **15 kg of drugs of synthetic origin** prepared for sale were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14145265>

## THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

**12.08.2018** Officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan as a result of preventive measures "Koradori-2018" in the Turtkul region of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, found **2 kg 105 g of marijuana** in the home of a local resident. In addition, cultivation of cannabis was found on the 5 square meters of a plot of land. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3805>

**13.08.2018** Officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan in the Sergeli district of Tashkent as a result of preventive measures "Koradori-2018" in the trunk of the car GAZ-31029 under the control of a resident of Tashkent, found and seized **3 kg 768 g of narcotic substance marijuana**. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3763>

**14.08.2018** Officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan in the Kasan district of the Kashkadarya region as a result of preventive measures "Koradori-2018" in the barn of a local resident found and seized **805 g of narcotic substance marijuana**. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3790>

## ON OTHER COUNTRIES

### BULGARIA

**17.08.2018** Customs officers of Bulgaria at the checkpoint "Captain-Andreevo" in the trailer of a truck under the control of a 45-year-old Turkish citizen entering from the territory of Turkey, found and seized **20.21 kg of heroin**. <https://www.novinite.com/articles/191714/Bulgaria+Seizes+over+20+kg+of+Heroin+at+Border+with+Turkey>

### BRAZIL

**08.08.2018** Officers of the Federal Police, Navy soldiers 15 km from the port of Santos, on the coast of São Paulo, found on board of the Italian ship "Grande Francia" **1.3 tons of cocaine**. The day before the ship was attacked by not less than four armed men, while the

crew managed to hide in the safe areas of the ship. The captain managed to transmit a signal for help on the open radio channel. The attack lasted for 2 hours, after which the attackers disappeared on an aluminum boat five meters long. There was nothing like this in the port of Santos for 20 years. The vessel was transporting vehicles and freight containers. Arriving at the ship police and military personnel found in two damaged containers 41 black bag, which contained more than 1200 packs of cocaine. The total weight of cocaine was **1332 kg**. The day before, drug dealers had lifted **1.2 tons of cocaine** on the ship "Great Nigeria", moored in the same terminal. The investigation is establishing the circumstances of the incident and any connection between the two facts. In both cases no one was arrested. Cocaine was destined for the port of Antwerp, Belgium. "Grande Francia" usually makes with in the ports of Latin America, Europe and Africa. <https://g1.globo.com/sp/santos-regiao/porto-mar/noticia/2018/08/13/piratas-armados-rendem-tripulacao-e-invadem-navio-de-bandeira-italiana-na-costa-de-sp.ghtml>

**14.08.2018** In Port of Santos, during a joint operation of the Federal Police and the Federal Tax Service in containers with goods destined for export, 13 sports bags containing packages with **444 kg of cocaine** were found. During the operation, freight containers going to the areas considered to be at risk were inspected. As a result of the inspection it was found that one of these containers with a load of steel parts, had signs of forgery. The final destination of this cargo was to be the port of Antwerp in Belgium. Only in the first two weeks of August in the port of Santos officers seized more than **3.5 tons of cocaine**. <http://idg.receita.fazenda.gov.br/sobre/acoes-e-programas/acoes-da-receita-federal/noticias/2018/agosto/8a-regiao-fiscal/em-operacao-conjunta-receita-federal-apreende-444-kg-de-cocaina-no-porto-de-santos>

**14.08.2018** Federal revenue officers found **167.5 kg of cocaine** in export cargoes at Guarulhos Airport. The drug was hidden in 60 containers with thermal equipment, which was intended for export to Douala (Cameroon). The event was attended by the Customs Compliance Team, as well as the dogs of the Faro Supervisory Authority in São Paulo. The drug was transferred to the Federal Police, which began investigations. <http://idg.receita.fazenda.gov.br/sobre/acoes-e-programas/acoes-da-receita-federal/noticias/2018/agosto/8a-regiao-fiscal/receita-federal-apreende-167-5-kg-de-cocaina-em-carga-de-exportacao-no-aeroporto-de-guarulhos>

## SPAIN

**13.08.2018** During the joint operation of the National Police, the Civil Guard, Ertzantz and the Customs Supervision Service, the vessel "Titan III" was detained in the sea, which carried about **2 tons 500 kg of cocaine**. Four crew members - two Spaniards and two Senegalese were arrested. In order to eliminate a major Galician criminal organization specializing in cocaine smuggling, the next day a large-scale police operation was conducted in Galicia. The National Police conducted 23 searches, as a result of which 21 people were arrested in Galicia, two were arrested in Toledo, one in Malaga and one in Huelva. A total of 29 people were detained and imprisoned. Among the suspects are three crew members of a fishing vessel. <http://www.guardiacivil.es/es/prensa/noticias/6705.html>

**14.08.2018** In Spain, in Santiago de Compostela, an emergency landing was made by an airplane following a flight from Dominican Republic to Italy. The reason was a sudden deterioration in the state of health of a 23-year-old passenger. She was urgently taken to the hospital, had surgery, finding in her stomach 56 bags of **cocaine** weighing **840 grams**. One of the bags burst right during the flight, which was the reason for a sharp deterioration

in well-being. <https://webinfo.kz/2018/08/14/23-letnyaya-passazhirka-avialaynera-perevozila-narkotiki-v-zheludke-paketik-iz-pod-nih-lopnul/>

## COSTA RICA

**15.08.2018** Officers of the Drug Control Police (PCD) in the dock of Limon in a container with a load of pineapples found **133 kg of cocaine**. According to the Ministry of Public Security, the drug was loaded on a merchant ship called "Polar Chile", in a container with the official cargo of bananas. However, after the container was opened, cocaine was found in several boxes of pineapples intended for export. The vessel had the final destination in Ireland. <https://www.nacion.com/sucesos/narcotrafico/policia-halla-133-kilos-de-cocaina-ocultos-entre/GUS7M4DGLNH5PE5M3T7RRAVH6M/story/>

## MEXICO

**18.08.2018** Marines of Mexico about 19 km outside the state capital of Culiacan during a special operation found a large narcolaboratory. The operations were preceded by the intelligence reports indicating that tons of drugs are produced in the vicinity of the municipality of Alquiona. A large amount of methamphetamine was buried underground in two areas along with barrels of chemicals used for its production. Detected drugs and chemicals were burned at sight due to difficult access to a remote location. The total weight of the detected **methamphetamine and precursors for its production was 50 tons**. <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mexico-drugs/mexico-navy-says-finds-50-tons-of-meth-in-mountain-lab-idUSKBN1L301H>

## NETHERLANDS

**12.08.2018** During the check in the port of Rotterdam customs officers found **122 kg of cocaine**. Cocaine was concealed in bags inside a container that came from Brazil. The container carried a load of metal (ferronickel). Originally, the cargo was destined to a company in Rotterdam. On this fact, an investigation is being conducted, the narcotic drug is destroyed. <https://www.om.nl/actueel/nieuwsberichten/@103811/122-kilo-cocaine/>

## USA

**17.08.2018** The police of North Las Vegas and the DEA officers in Las Vegas, Nevada seized more than **31.75 kg of methamphetamine, several individuals involved** in criminal activities were arrested. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/crime/north-las-vegas-police-dea-seize-more-than-70-pounds-of-meth/>

**16.08.2018** In Cobb County, Georgia officers detained a man and a woman suspected of involvement in the criminal activities of the drug cartel. During a search in the home of suspects in the bedroom of their 2-year-old child, about **8 kg of heroin** were found. <https://www.ajc.com/news/crime--law/cobb-couple-accused-hiding-400k-heroin-child-bedroom/lcjRpZqsmwcFHV2SoOB3SK/>

## TURKEY



**16.08.2018** In the district of Edremit in the eastern province of Van, officers of the anti-drug group in a special operation found and seized more than **104 kg 735 g** of heroin. The drug was transported inside a truck. The driver is arrested.

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkey/turkey-over-100-kg-of-heroin-seized/1233553>

## ECUADOR

**13.08.2018** Officers of the National Anti-Drug Directorate at the container terminal of the Guayaquil seaport in a container loaded with frozen shrimp found 32 packages containing **31 kg 968 g of cocaine hydrochloride**. The operation was carried out based on the results of a risk profile analysis within the framework of routine control. The container in which cocaine was waiting to be sent to Spain, was supposed to make a stop at the port of Morocco on the way. Packages with drug were found on cooling panels covered with airtight plastic and a brown self-adhesive film. <http://www.policiaecuador.gob.ec/agentes-del-uipa-encuentran-36-bloques-de-droga-en-contenedor-que-tenia-como-destino-espana/>