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ON CARICC MEMBER STATES

THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

24.08.2018 Officers of the Police Department of the Jalilabad region during the operational-search activities in the territory of the Jalilabad region in the basement of a building located on Gurtulushna Street found **3.8 kg of opium**. As a result of further activities a resident of Jalilabad was detained.

<https://ru.sputnik.az/incidents/20180824/416742778/opium-najden-podval-dzhalilabad.html>

THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

19.08.2018 Police officers detained a 26-year-old resident of Kaynar village of Korday district within the framework of the comprehensive operational and preventive action "Koknar-2018" on the road leading to the village of Belbasar in the Shu district. In his motorcycle officers found a package of **marijuana** weighing **7.2 kg**.

<http://24.kz/ru/news/incidents/item/260367-bolee-7-kg-marikhuany-iz-yali-u-zhitelya-zhambylskoj-oblasti>

22.08.2018 Policemen of Almaty oblast in Taldykorgan conducted two detentions of persons involved in illegal drug trafficking and seized about 15 kg of herbal substances. The suspects were detained in the Ili district of the Almaty region and near Kapshagai within the framework of the "Kender-2018" police operation. Over **9 kg of marijuana** was found and seized from a 47-year-old resident of the Karaoi settlement in the Ili district, who kept drugs in one of the caches in his home. Also during the raid on the "Kapshagai-Kazakhstan" highway, a 28-year-old resident of the Zhambyl district was detained, who carried about **6 kg of marijuana** on his motorcycle.

https://www.kt.kz/rus/crime/dve_krupnie_partii_narkotikov_izyjali_iz_oborota_v_almatinskoj_oblasti_1153661443.html

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

20.08.2018 Officers of the Directorate for Drugs Control (UKON) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in Tyumen detained a local resident who was engaged in the systematic sale of narcotic drugs. During the search, the officers found **40 g of heroin**. In the course of further activities, a cache was found with about **900 g of heroin**. It is established that a 28-year-old young man acquired a large consignment of narcotic drugs, packaged it into small doses, and distributed it through "tabs" in the territory of Tyumen. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14177105>

20.08.2018 In the village of Shushary, Pushkin district of St. Petersburg, police officers detained a 42-year-old Azerbaijani citizen. During the inspection of his Ford Focus car **973.9 grams of hashish** were found. The detainment operation was carried out jointly with the drug policemen of the Republic of Dagestan and fighters of the special purpose unit "Thunder". <https://minval.az/news/123817428>

21.08.2018 Employees of Inter-municipal Division (MO) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia "Tobolsky" (Tyumen region) detained a native of the Kurgan region, trying to sell narcotic drugs through secret "bookmarks". During the inspection, the police seized 129 bundles of synthetic material from the suspect's bag. In the course of further operational activities, a cache was found in the detainee's rented apartment. In total, within personal belongings of 30-year-old man officers seized **1.5 kg of "salt" and 200 g of "spice"**, packaging materials and other items used for packaging of narcotic drugs. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14184722>

21.08.2018 Officers of UKON of MIA of Russia in the Smolensk region received operational information that a local resident born 1989 was selling narcotic drugs. During the search operations at the suspect's place of residence, narcotic drugs such as **mefedrone, amphetamine, dried cannabis, cannabis herb and hashish** were found and seized with a total mass of about **550 g**. In addition, officers found scales, reagents, filter elements, polyethylene bags used for packing and for further sale. Drugs were purchased by the local resident through the system of "bookmarks", and were packed and distributed on the territory of Tyumen. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14184351>

21.08.2018 Employees of the Directorate for Drugs Control (UNK) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Kaluga region in the course of the implementation of operational and search activities aimed at identifying and suppressing the facts of illegal drug trafficking, identified two citizens from Central Asia who live in the Kaluga region, suspected of involvement in unlawful activities. The detainees prepared narcotic drugs for narcotics users living in the territory of the city of Kaluga to be sold through secret "bookmarks". The persons were detained at the time of the next consignment of narcotic drugs on the M-3 "Ukraine" highway. In the course of the inspection of the vehicle on which the suspects moved, as well as at their place of residence, **heroin** was found, with a total mass of more than **400 grams**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14182914>

22.08.2018 Officers of UKON of MIA of Russia for the Tomsk region as a result of conducted operational-search activities detained 35-year-old resident of Tomsk, suspected of illegal sale of drugs. The man sold synthetic drugs through the Internet using "bookmarks" caches. During personal inspection and a search at his place of residence, **390 grams of prohibited substances** were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14193945>

23.08.2018 Officers of UKON of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation in Moscow region jointly with colleagues from the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia "Lyuberetskoye" detained a 32-year-old resident of Chelyabinsk, suspected of drug trafficking, during an operational search in one of the houses in the city district of Dzerzhinsky. In the course of a personal search, the officers discovered four convolutions with a synthetic drug **"spice"** with a total weight of about **1 kg**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14208788>

23.08.2018 Police officers in the Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Region identified a group of individuals during an operational search activities, which for a long time was engaged in the distribution of narcotic drugs in the territory of the city of Noyabrsk. Criminals organized a cache for the storage of narcotic drugs for the purpose of subsequent marketing. In total, more than **400 g** of **synthetic drugs** were seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14208236>

23.08.2018 Officers of the UKON of MIA for the Karachay-Cherkess Republic (KChR) suppressed illegal activities of drug dealers. Four members of an organized group that sold drugs in the KChR, as well as neighboring Adygea and Krasnodar Krai, members of an organized criminal group - all citizens of the Republic of Tajikistan - are accused of attempting to sell narcotic drugs by an organized group on a large and especially large scale. The sale of drugs was carried out in a non-contact way through caches-"bookmarks". Money from customers was received by cybercriminals through an electronic payment system. Operational activities were conducted in Moscow, the Volgograd Region, the Krasnodar Territory, Adygea and Karachaevo-Cherkessia. During detentions and during searches at places of residence of suspects, more than **4 kg of heroin** were found and seized. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14203125>

24.08.2018 Employees of Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Arkhangelsk region reviews a criminal case on the illegal sale of narcotic drugs on an especially large scale by an organized group. The suspects were detained during a special operation by the officers of the UKON of the regional Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs with the support of the special forces "Thunder". On the highway M-8 "Kholmogory" a car "Chevrolet Cruise" was stopped, with three residents of the Republic of Karelia - men 1986 and 1987 years of birth and a woman born in 1992. During the inspection, a sports bag with a drug of synthetic origin weighing about 250 was found in the trunk of the car. Criminals were engaged in the distribution of drugs through secret "bookmarks". Pre-equipped with several caches along the way, they were heading to the Moscow region, where they were to receive another consignment of drugs intended for sale in the Arkhangelsk region and the Republic of Karelia. Later in the forest, the police found several caches, from which 1.5 kg of narcotic drugs were recovered. Another batch - about 1.5 kg were seized in the Moscow region. In addition, several "bookmarks" were identified in the Arkhangelsk region. The total volume of seized **"synthetics"** was about **3 kg**. <https://xn--b1aew.xn--p1ai/news/item/14226289>

THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

16.08.2018 In the city of Gulistan, Syrdarya region, as a result of the measures taken by Koradori-2018, the MIA officers in the houses of two local residents found and seized narcotic substance **marijuana** with a total weight of **1 kg 824 grams**. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3848>

18.08.2018 As a result of the measures taken by Koradori-2018 in the Kegeli District of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, MIA officers at the local resident's home found and seized **2 kg 340 g** of **opium poppy**. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3848>

20.08.2018 In the Sergeli district of Tashkent, officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs discovered and seized **1 kg 120.78 g of marijuana** during the "Black poppy-2018" event. <http://www.mvd.uz/ru/lists/view/3869>

ON OTHER COUNTRIES

BELGIUM

25.08.2018 In the port of the Belgian Ghent police found a batch of **cocaine** weighing **2 tons**. Drugs were hidden in three containers that arrived aboard a ship from Brazil. Briquettes with drugs contained marking in the form of the logo of the Russian political party "United Russia". More than 1900 packages were found. The seized batch became the largest in the history of Ghent.

<https://lenta.ru/news/2018/08/25/edro/>

BRAZIL

21.08.2018 During a joint operation of the Federal Revenue and Federal Police Service, **400 kg of cocaine** was found in a terminal of the port of Santos on the coast of São Paulo. The drug was in two containers, one of which was already loaded on the vessel "MSC Azov", docked to the terminal. The vessel was destined to Europe. Illegal cargo was detected as a result of the analysis of the cargo risk profile, as well as scanning with the help of scanners.

<https://g1.globo.com/sp/santos-regiao/porto-mar/noticia/2018/08/21/carregamento-de-400-kg-de-cocaina-e-achado-em-navio-e-terminal-no-porto-de-santos-sp.ghtml>

22.08.2018 Officers of the Federal Revenue Service in the port of Paranaguá on the coast of Paraná, in a container on the territory of the cargo terminal, found and seized **486 kg of cocaine**. The drug was destined for Europe and was to be sent to Port-Havre in France.

<https://g1.globo.com/pr/parana/noticia/2018/08/22/quase-meia-tonelada-de-cocaina-e-apreendida-em-conteiner-no-porto-de-paranagua.ghtml>

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

22.08.2018 The agents of the National Drug Control Directorate (DNCD), in coordination with the prosecutor's office, with the support of other intelligence and security agencies, in a joint operation deployed in the port of Manzanillo, Montecristi province, as a result of inspection of containers arrived in Colombia, discovered and seized **133 kg of cocaine**.

<http://www.dncd.gob.do/index.php/noticias/item/ocupan-133-paquetes-presumiblemente-cocaina-en-montecristi>

SPAIN

26.08.2018 Agents of the National Police in the Madrid wholesale market Merka-Madrid seized **67 kg of cocaine**. The drug was transported inside pineapples, where compact packs in the form of cylinders with cocaine were placed. They were covered with a layer of wax or yellowish paraffin to isolate the chemical odor in order to avoid detection. It is established that a company for the import of fruit from Latin America is related to this delivery. After several negotiations with the owners of this company, the police found that they carried out various economic operations using other fruit companies, owned by trusted people who were responsible for the importation of pineapples. The cargo arrived from Costa Rica and arrived in the port of Setubal (Portugal) for transportation on the road to Merka-Madrid. After this, a truck was unloaded in Madrid. Seven people were arrested in Madrid and Barcelona on suspicion of involvement in this drug supply.

https://www.policia.es/prensa/20180826_1.html#

IRAN

20.08.2018 Sirdzhan's police in a transport trailer on the route connecting Sirjan to Isfahan province discovered and seized about **404 kg of opium**. <http://www.irna.ir/en/News/83007519>

CHINA

22.08.2018 Customs officers of Hong Kong arrested a 42-year-old man who several years ago arrived in Hong Kong from Benin in Africa, and seized about **2 kg of methamphetamine**. The man received the drug in a parcel delivered by a logistics company employee in Yuen Long. The drug was inside a metal cylinder 60 cm long, weighing about 13 kg. <https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/hong-kong-law-and-crime/article/2160859/asylum-seeker-caught-crystal-meth-worth-hk1>

COLOMBIA

24.08.2018 A subdivision of the National Navy aboard a sailboat under the flag of Germany, which was in the Caribbean waters on the road between Panama and Aruba, detected and seized **234 kg of cocaine**. Units of the National Navy in the development of an operation of control exercise of the sea carried out an inspection of the sailboat named NAM 8, discovering that the ship had deviated from the course to Jamaica, violating the Merchant Marine standards. Joint operation with CTI staff was carried out in San Andres, where as a result of the inspection of a vessel, 245 packs of cocaine were found. Two crew members of the vessel - a Colombian and a citizen of Israel and Germany are arrested. <https://www.armada.mil.co/es/content/incautamos-cocaina-en-aguas-del-caribe>

26.08.2018 Internal security forces at the international airport of Rafik Hariri in Beirut, inside the bottles with shampoo and cosmetics imported from Brazil, found about **60 kg of cocaine**. ISF confiscated 98 bottles of shampoo, the content of cocaine in which reached 61 percent of the content. ISF in Dar al-Baidar arrested 46-year-old man from Lebanon, who is one of the key participants in smuggling. <https://www.albawaba.com/editorchoice/60-kg-cocaine-seized-lebanon-airport-1177120>

MEXICO

25.08.2018 Marines during patrols near the village of Casa de Piedra stopped a suspicious boat in the sea, which carried about **1 ton of cocaine**. Four of the Mexicans on board were arrested. On the same day, during a search at a warehouse in the city of Kulyakan, Marines found in bags about **10 tons of methamphetamine**. There were also plastic containers with chemicals necessary for the production of drugs. <http://24.kz/ru/news/in-the-world/item/260829-11-tonn-narkotikov-perekhvatili-v-meksike>

NETHERLANDS

22.08.2018 Customs officers during a check in the port of Rotterdam in containers with bananas found **249 kg of cocaine**. The containers arrived in Rotterdam from Ecuador. The cargo was destined for a company in Germany, specializing in the supply of fruits. Drugs were hidden in packs and distributed over containers with bananas. <https://www.om.nl/actueel/nieuwsberichten/@103861/douane-vindt-249/>

ROMANIA

24.08.2018 During a routine check at the border station "Nadlak", the border police found about **5 tons of acetic anhydride and 20 kg of cocaine** with a purity of 99 percent, transported on vehicles registered abroad driven by foreign driver.

<https://www.romania-insider.com/big-drug-bust-heroin-precursors-cocaine/>

USA

21.08.2018 Agents of the Border Patrol Station Nogale at the checkpoint of immigration in Tucson, Arizona detained two US citizens aged 27 and 28, who smuggled more than **21.3 kg of methamphetamine** a Nissan Titan car. The drug was contained in 40 bags in a rear passenger door. <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/bp-agents-seize-150k-meth-immigration-checkpoint>

24.08.2018 Officers of the US Federal Customs and Border Patrol in the port of Wilmington, Delaware, discovered about **45 kg of cocaine** inside boxes with imported pineapples. A service dog detected the smuggling of drugs. Cocaine was concealed in corrugated bases of 20 cardboard boxes containing pineapples from San Carlos, Costa Rica. The truckload was destined to Clifton, New Jersey.

<https://www.delawareonline.com/story/news/2018/08/24/45-kilos-coca-45-kilos-cocaine-seized-port-wilmingtonine-seized-port-wilmington/1083420002/>

THAILAND

23.08.2018 The Thai police seized one of the largest consignments of synthetic drugs. A total of **14 million MDMA pills** of orange color were accurately packaged and packed neatly into large containers. Police detained 3 Thai nationals. Confiscated drugs were produced in Myanmar, the next transit point of the cargo was to be Malaysia. The drug was about to be dispatched to Europe, America, Australia, Japan, Singapore and Korea for further marketing. <http://24.kz/ru/news/in-the-world/item/260347-v-tailande-iz-yata-krupnaya-partiya-narkotikov>

ECUADOR

20.08.2018 Police officers conducted an operation seizing **1.1 tons of cocaine hydrochloride** destined to Belgium. With the help of methods of profiling, anti-drug agents carefully inspected containers with boxes of export bananas. Inside the containers, 48 boxes were found with 1,094 packs of cocaine with a net weight of **1 ton 91.812 kg**. As a result of this operation, a citizen of Ecuador was arrested.

<http://www.policiaecuador.gob.ec/policia-evita-que-mas-de-10-millones-de-dosis-de-droga-llequen-a-mercados-de-consumo/>