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AUSTRALIA

PROFITS FROM DRUG DEALING IMMUNE TO GOVERNMENT SEIZURE

Canberra THE AUSTRALIAN in English 22 Jul 81 p 3

[Article by Toni Mcrae]

[Text]

MONEY and property accumulated by drug czar and killer Alexander Sinclair will probably remain safe from official seizure because of Australian law.

It has been estimated that Sinclair, known also as Mr Big and convicted of murder at the end of the Mr Asia trial in Britain last week, holds a fortune of about \$40 million, most of it is in bank accounts and property in Australia and New Zealand.

But the NSW Attorney-General, Mr Walker, has been advised by legal experts that neither NSW nor the Federal Government has the power to seize property or money obtained by criminal means.

The State's amended Poisons Act, which comes into effect on September 1, gives courts the power to order the seizure of transport used for drug running but it is believed the act does not guarantee the Government's right to confiscate the proceeds of drug trafficking activities.

And in June the High Court overturned an earlier decision

by the NSW Court of Criminal Appeal which found that NSW courts had the power to confiscate money accumulated through illegal activities.

Mr Walker said yesterday that if the State's courts did not have the power to order the forfeiture of "ill gotten gains" then he would have to consider it a matter of urgency to introduce new legislation.

Mr Walker said he believed the matter was important enough to attempt to introduce legislation into the next session of Parliament which begins on August 12.

"I am waiting on further legal advice which means we may simply have to further amend the Poisons Act and/or the Crimes Act to give the State these powers of confiscation," he said.

When Mrs Justice Heilbron handed down her verdict in the Mr Asia trial in Lancaster, England, she said the Australian authorities would no doubt immediately act to seize the enormous fortune of the Mr Asia syndicate.

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AUSTRALIA

INQUIRY INTO SINCLAIR RING'S ACTIVITIES HERE IMMINENT

Continued Local Operations

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 15 Jul 81 p 5

[Text]

The federal-State judicial inquiry into the Australian activities of the "Mr Asia" drug syndicate is set to begin as a result of Alexander Sinclair's conviction for the murder of a drugs racketeer, Marty Johnstone.

The inquiry will soon start advertising the dates and venues of hearings, where evidence on Sinclair's alleged drug-trafficking operations will be compiled.

The inquiry will examine possible corruption of federal or State law officers concerning the deaths of Douglas and Isobel Wilson.

The Wilsons were "Mr Asia" syndicate drug couriers who are believed to have been killed two years ago because they talked to the police.

Sinclair has been linked with four murders in Australia.

Sydney detectives believe that Sinclair, known in Australia as Terry Clark, may have ordered up to a dozen executions to control his worldwide heroin ring.

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He was named in the Melbourne Coroner's Court as being responsible for the deaths of the Wilsons in Victoria in 1979.

In the same court it was also alleged that he carried out the killing of

another drug courier, ("Pommy") Harri Lewis, in NSW early in 1979.

Police investigating the murder of Maria Hishlon (24), a former drug courier, whose body was found in Sydney harbour in 1976, say that she was associated with a pop band controlled by Sinclair.

Police informants in Melbourne confirmed yesterday that remnants of the drug ring were still operating in Australia.

The informants said that the ring was reformed after it had been broken up with Sinclair's arrest.

A property speculator who was the new boss of the ring had moved his headquarters from Melbourne some time this year.

Though he still owned property in Melbourne he was now based in Brisbane.

A New Zealander, he had a conviction in New Zealand for supplying heroin.

Another major surviving member of the ring

is a former Auckland rugby player, nicknamed Diamond Jim.

Till late last year he was thought to be taking a major part in the re-established heroin operations.

He is known to own property in Hawaii and his presence has been noted by authorities in Los Angeles.

But informants said yesterday that there had been no word of his whereabouts for several months. He had been last heard of in the U.S.

It was thought that before then he had been overseeing the supply operation of heroin distribution in Australia and the U.S.

The inquiry in Australia will be headed by Mr Justice Donald Stewart, of the NSW Supreme Court, and is scheduled to report within 12 months.

It has the backing of the Federal, Victorian, NSW and Queensland governments.

It was prompted by an inquest last year into the Wilson murders. The inquest produced allegations of corruption within the Australian legal system and government departments.

NSW Investigation

Brisbane THE COURIER-MAIL in English 18 Jul 81 p 10

[Text]

SYDNEY. — New South Wales detectives will visit Britain soon to interview members of the Mr Asia drug ring over the disappearance of anti-drugs crusader Donald Mackay.

The Premier, Mr Wran, said yesterday the detectives also would fly to Italy to question at least one man.

The investigation could lead to an inquest into the disappearance of the Griffith businessman in 1977.

Suggestions were made during the Mr Asia trial in Lancashire that there might be a link between the drug ring and Mr Mackay's disappearance.

The link was also claimed in a Melbourne inquest earlier this year.

Victoria's Assistant Commissioner of Police, Mr John Hall, told the hearing that there were links be-

tween the Mr Asia syndicate, the failed Nugan Hand Bank and Mr Mackay's disappearance.

Because of British trial laws which prohibit the interrogation on other matters of people on trial, NSW detectives had to wait until now to interview Mr Asia gang members.

The trial ended this week after 121 days with New Zealand drug ring chief Alexander James Sinclair and others found guilty of the murder of Christopher Martin Johnstone.

Mr Wran said that on their return to Australia, the detectives would report to the Attorney-General, Mr Walker.

Mr Walker would then decide whether an inquest was necessary and the government would make public its reasons for holding an inquest or not.

Mr Mackay was last seen in the Griffith Hotel near his family furniture store four years ago this week.

A notice inserted by family friend and solicitor Mr Ian Salmon in the Griffith "Area News" this week said of Mr Mackay: "An inspiring life ended too soon. July 15, 1977."

The government has been under attack this year from the Griffith community for its failure to hold an inquest.

But the Attorney-General has said that an inquest cannot take place until police have reported his death to a coroner.

Police inquiries have intensified in Griffith and Victoria in recent months after a public meeting in the Riverina town in April demanded an inquest.

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AUSTRALIA

MEMBERS OF ALLEGED HEROIN RING APPEAR AT HEARING

Melbourne THE AGE in English 15 Jul 81 p 19

[Text]

A man described by police as the ringleader in a heroin importing conspiracy was the only one of nine defendants with the capacity to run it, a detective told Melbourne Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Station Sergeant Norman John Currie, of the Federal police's drug bureau, told Mr John Caven, SM, that Dennis Jan Sofianos, 30, of Lennox Street, Hawthorn, stood out among the defendants as the one who had sufficient cunning to control a drug ring.

Mr Sofianos and three other defendants are charged with two counts of having conspired to import heroin into Australia. The others are Dennis William Green, 22, and Marcus John Braszall, 22, both of Greville Street, Prahran, and Bernard Edward Doll, 34, of Harris Street, Springvale.

Charged with one count of conspiracy to import heroin are Robert Senior, 38, of Bengalla Road,

Muswellbrook, New South Wales, Kay Munro Halley, 29, of Rushall Street, Fitzroy, Valerie Joy Coy, 24, of Oak Street, Flemington, Shona Marion Jean Gilbert, 19, of Lennox Street, Hawthorn, and Debra Sut Compt, 21, of Cuthbert Street, Broadmeadows.

Thomas William Alford, 30, of Lewisham Road, Windsor, and Ernest Maxwell Heyne, of Ebb Street, Aspendale, both charged with two counts of conspiracy, have been sent for trial.

Sergeant Currie told the court that police had made an unsuccessful raid on Mr Sofiano's property at Berwick on 22 March 1980. He said no heroin or drug-related implements had been found.

Sergeant Currie said that police had received threats of violence before attending the property, but the defendants Mr Doll, Mr Alford, Mr Heyne and Mr Sofianos had not shown violence and had not attempted to flee.

The hearing is unfinished.

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DRUG-DRIVING RESEARCH--Sydney--A Sydney University research team is developing a technique to trace drugs in blood samples from road accident victims. The research is aimed at finding how often drugs cause fatal road accidents. The main research problem has been the state of blood samples when they arrive at the pharmacy department. The samples are often a few weeks old and, as a result, the red blood cells have burst. This releases their contents into the serum--the clear liquid, surrounding the blood cells, which contains traces of any drugs. This is called haemolysed blood. Normally, fresh blood samples are spun in a centrifuge to separate the cells from the serum. In haemolysed blood, this cannot be done. The new method involves putting the blood on an inert substance like a silica gel. This is basically a very pure fine sand, which absorbs the blood. A series of different solvents is then washed through the sand to extract all the drugs. The contents of the blood remain behind, stuck to the silica gel. The research project began last year. About 250 case samples have been examined. The research team has found drugs in about 15 per cent of cases and they feel this underestimates the problem. [Text] [Melbourne THE AGE in English 15 Jul 81 p 21]

AERO CLUB DRUG SCHEME--Sydney--A Ballarat Aero Club flight to Malaysia was arranged to disguise a heroin smuggling operation, Central Court was told yesterday. Police said that five Sydney men arranged to pay a pilot \$200,000 to bring 18 kilograms of heroin to Sydney. Police tape recorded some of the plan and filmed most of it. Sidney Wayne Warby, 36, company director, of Baulkham Hills; John Arthur Willard, 37, mechanic, of Winston Hills; Allan Henry Watson Mitchell, 39, company director, of Five Dock; and Barry Lionel Wootten, 33, haulage contractor, of Warrimoo, pleaded not guilty to having conspired with each other to import heroin to Sydney in February this year. Stanley Walter Charlesworth, 55, company director, of Gladesville, admitted the charge. Mr B. Brown committed Charlesworth for sentence. [Text] [Melbourne THE AGE in English 21 Jul 81 p 3]

HEROIN TRIAL FOR FOUR--Sydney--Two men and two women were committed for trial at Central Court yesterday charged with the alleged smuggling of \$200,000 worth of heroin into Australia. Harry and Elaine Kobeissi and Samir and Ibtissam Masri were committed to trial in the District Court by Magistrate J. Anderson at a date to be fixed. The four appeared on charges of conspiring together and with others to import heroin between February 20 and April 4 this year. Mrs Kobeissi was granted \$40,000 bail and Mrs Masri was granted \$25,000 bail. Their husbands were refused bail. [Text] [Brisbane THE COURIER-MAIL in English 25 Jul 81 p 10]

OPIUM CHARGES--Two men appeared in the Central Court of Petty Sessions yesterday charged with supplying \$50,000 worth of prepared opium on Saturday. Before the court were Spiro Matsimanis, 38, a shopkeeper of Enmore Road, Enmore, and Jim Apokis, 40, a labourer, of Villiers Street, Rockdale. Both were charged with supplying prepared opium at Enmore on July 25. Apokis was also charged with possessing and cultivating Indian hemp and possessing prepared opium at Rockdale on July 25. No pleas were entered. Mr C. Briese, CSM, granted Apokis \$20,000 bail on the conditions he surrender his passport and report daily to police. Matsimanis was granted \$10,000 bail on the conditions he report to police daily and does not apply for a passport. The matters were adjourned to August 6. [Text] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 28 Jul 81 p 10]

JAIL FOR HEROIN IMPORT--Sydney--A doctor described as a brilliant student at Sydney University and who later became a drug and alcohol addict was yesterday jailed for 16 years for conspiracy to import heroin. Richard John Regan McEvelly, 45, of Bondi, had been convicted on three charges of having conspired with two men and a woman to import heroin between December 1979, and May 1980. In the District Criminal Court yesterday Judge Hicks said McEvelly's scheme to bring heroin into Australia was a "tribute to his intelligence." But the police who investigated the case had shown "skill, ingenuity and persistence" equal to or superior to his. The court had been told that when he was arrested at Melbourne's Tullamarine Airport in May 1980, McEvelly had been found with a hair-spray can containing 15 small bags of heroin. [Excerpt] [Brisbane THE COURIER-MAIL in English 29 Jul 81 p 8]

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HONG KONG

BRIEFS

AIRPORT CANNABIS HAUL--Customs Officers at Kai Tak Airport detained a man and seized a kilogram of cannabis when he arrived from Manila yesterday. The man, aged 26, was searched by customs officers on his arrival and found to have eight packets of cannabis strapped around his body. He was expected to be charged later with having dangerous drugs for the purpose of unlawful trafficking. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 26 Jul 81 p 8]

THAI TRAFFICKER SENTENCED--A 27-year-old Thai national was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment for trafficking in heroin by Judge Leathlean at Kowloon District Court yesterday. Piengsungern Kitti was detained by customs officers at Kai Tak airport on June 24 after arriving from Bangkok. He was taken to Queen Elizabeth Hospital where doctors found 235 grams of a drug mixture containing 203 grams of heroin packed inside four condoms concealed in his rectum. Kitti pleaded guilty to possessing drugs for unlawful trafficking. Judge Leathlean ordered that \$1,060 found on Kitti at the time of his arrest should be forfeited to the Crown. Kitti had claimed the money was given to him by a Chinese in Bangkok as a reward for carrying the drugs. [Excerpts] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 28 Jul 81 p 15]

BRITISH JOURNALIST CONVICTED--An unemployed British journalist, Robin Ivan Savidge (27), was yesterday convicted at South Kowloon Court of trafficking in heroin and possessing an instrument to inject dangerous drugs. The magistrate, Mr John Barton, remanded Savidge in custody, for two weeks for a report from the drug addiction rehabilitation centre before sentencing him. The court was told that until recently, Savidge worked as a sub-editor on an English-language newspaper but was now unemployed. He was arrested by police in the lobby of the Fuji Hotel in Austin Road on June 22. He was carrying a polythene bag containing 15 grams of a mixture, which included 1.28 grams of heroin. Police also found a phial and hyperdermic syringe in his pocket. [Excerpts] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 5 Aug 81 p 14].

MORPHINE TRADER JAILED--A dental technician was yesterday sentenced to nine years' imprisonment by Mr Commissioner Mayne, QC, in the High Court for possessing \$1 million worth of dangerous drugs for unlawful trafficking. Wai Man (26) had pleaded not guilty to possessing 1,113.6 grams of a mixture of salts of esters of morphine for unlawful trafficking, but a jury of five men and two women convicted him after deliberating for two hours. The court was told that Wai was arrested when he came out of a flat on the 20th floor of a building in Mei Foo Sun Chuen on October 31.

Police had been waiting outside for him. They found on him the keys to the flat. In the kitchen were two paper cartons containing dangerous drugs. [Excerpts] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 5 Aug 81 p 15]

MALAYSIAN COURIERS SEIZED--Customs officers yesterday seized five kilograms of heroin base valued at \$2.25 million when converted, from three Malaysians. Customs officers searched one of the Malaysians when he arrived by air from Bangkok in the afternoon and found two kilograms of heroin base tied to his calves and waist. After questioning the man, the officers, led by Assistant Superintendent David Tong of the Investigation Bureau, rushed to a Tsimshatsui hotel and arrested two other Malaysians who had arrived on the same flight but were not searched. The officers found three kilograms of heroin base inside specially made pockets in their baggage. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 8 Aug 81 p 7]

THAI MERCHANTS CHARGED--Two Thai merchants--Sae Eng Penglee (47) and Amornakol-suwech Kittichai (27)--appeared at San Po Kong Court yesterday on a charge of possession of dangerous drugs for the purpose of unlawful trafficking. No plea was taken and Mr M. W. Fung fixed October 30 for committal proceedings. Both defendants were remanded in jail custody. Sae Eng is alleged to have had 1.449 kilos of a mixture containing 1.28 kilos esters of morphine at Kai Tak airport on July 8. Amornakolsuwech is accused of possessing 1.451 kilos of a mixture containing 1.164 kilos of esters of morphine on the same day in a flat at 26 Jordan Road. A 46-year-old Thai housewife, Sae Tae Pokyo, also appeared before Mr Fung on a similar charge. The case will be transferred to Kowloon District Court for plea to be taken on August 24. The woman is alleged to have had in her possession 123.74 grams of a mixture containing 105.07 grams of esters of morphine at Kai Tak airport on July 30. She was remanded in jail custody. Senior customs Inspector Jacob Chen appeared for the prosecution. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 8 Aug 81 p 8]

DRUG TRAFFICKING CHARGES--A 43-year-old man, Cheung Sik-kie, appeared before Judge Chism at Kowloon District Court yesterday on two counts of possessing a total of 36.2 grams of a mixture of dangerous drugs for unlawful trafficking. Cheung pleaded not guilty, saying the drugs were for his own consumption. He will appear in court again on January 21 for trial. He is alleged to have had 5.64 grams of a mixture containing 1.49 grams of salts of esters of morphine at the junction of Tokwawan Road and Ma Tau Wai Road on July 17. He is also accused of having, on the same day, 30.56 grams of a mixture containing 8.48 grams of esters of morphine in a flat in Ma Tau Wai road, Tokwawan. Cheung was remanded in jail custody. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 11 Aug 81 p 10]

HEROIN TRAFFICKER JAILED--A furniture worker was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment yesterday for possessing \$400,000 worth of heroin for unlawful trafficking. Li Ah-shui (35) pleaded guilty before Mr Justice Jones in the High Court to having 901.43 grams of a mixture of salts and esters of morphine. Crown counsel Robin Walters told the court that Li was intercepted by customs officers at the entrance to the Wang Tau Hom temporary resite area on February 19. He was carrying a bag containing the dangerous drugs. [Excerpts] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 12 Aug 81 p 16]

TWO TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED--One of three men arrested by police for possessing dangerous drugs died in Laichikok Reception Centre, Victoria District Court was told yesterday. Judge Ryan was told the man, Choi Chun-hon (31), died after his arrest of natural causes. The other two, Kwok Hing-fun (31) and Due Yukming (18), were convicted of possessing heroin for unlawful trafficking. Yesterday, Kwok was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and Due was remanded in custody for sentencing next Thursday. Evidence was given that a police party went to a flat on the fifth floor of a building in Thomson Road, Wanchai, at 9.45 pm on June 19. At that time Kwok was tenant of the flat. Police found the three men inside and when they entered the men ran towards the toilet. Police found two brown envelopes containing four packets of suspected dangerous drugs, a cigarette packet containing five small packets of a mixture on a plastic stool under a table, and more suspected dangerous drugs in a plastic bag on the table. The various packets were found to contain 58 grams of a mixture containing 15.61 grams of heroin. The men denied all knowledge of the drugs and said the packets were left in the flat by someone else. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 13 Aug 81 p 12]

CUSTOMS OFFICERS JAILED--Six customs and excise officers were yesterday sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from 2½ years to four years for conspiring together to obstruct the course of justice in relation to the proper enforcement of the dangerous drugs laws of Hongkong. The six were Senior Inspector Sheik Abdul Rahman Bux (43), Inspectors Shing Kim-hung (35) and Kan Ping-lun (33), and customs officers Wong Chun-sing (30), Ng Fook-yiu (32) and Hui Wan-ming (30). Bux and Wong, alleged to have played a more important role in the offence, were each jailed for four years. The others were sent to jail for 2½ years. They had pleaded not guilty, but were convicted by Judge Sanders at Tsun Wan District Court. It was alleged that the defendants conspired together to obstruct the course of justice by not taking action against operators of drug divans and drug sellers in the Fanling and Sheung Shui areas in return for bribes from March 1979 to August last year. [Excerpts] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 20 Aug 81 p 14]

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INDIA

BRIEFS

DELHI MORPHINE ARREST--New Delhi, July 31--The Delhi Police today alerted the Interpol following the seizure of a morphine manufacturing factory and narcotics worth over Rs 20 lakhs. Mr Suresh Roy, Deputy Commissioner of Police (East), said two persons including a dismissed employee of the Narcotics Department, had been arrested. The hunt was on for a resident of Varanasi involved in the drug ring. The help of the CBI (Narcotics) had been sought in the investigation of the case. Mr Roy said the police, in its biggest haul, seized from the factory, operating for about three months, 550 gms of morphine, ten kg of opium solution and 8.5 kg of opium, besides equipment for conversion of opium into morphine. The two arrested were Jaitu, dismissed employee who was working at the factory, located in the trans-Yamuna area at the time of the raid, and P. B. Gupta, a businessman, Mr Roy said.--PTI [Text] [Madras THE HINDU in English 1 Aug 81 p 6]

BOMBAY HEROIN SEIZURE--Bombay, August 1--Intelligence officers of the customs preventive collector on Thursday seized 400 tolas of gold bullion as well as Indian and foreign currency notes collectively valued at Rs 8.21 lakhs from Mahalaxmi Stores, a shop at Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Fort. It was also stated that Chareabeath Nopuoprasat, a Thai national, and one Ashok Kumar Das were recently found carrying heroin valued at Rs 14.80 lakhs. They were arrested as they arrived from a flight from Bangkok at Sahar airport. [Excerpts] [Bombay THE TIMES OF INDIA in English 2 Aug 81 p 5]

MORPHINE FACTORY DISCOVERED--Ghazipur, Aug 8 (UNI)--The kotwali police have unearthed a clandestine morphine factory in the house of one Khalil here. One hundred grams of morphine, opium, some chemicals, and the apparatus used for producing morphine were recovered from the place yesterday. Khalil, a former employee of the Ghazipur opium factory, had already been detained for interrogation on clues provided by the accused held in connection with the morphine haul in Delhi last month. The police also arrested two other employees of the opium factory, Bikrama and Jang Bahadur, and one Sarajo in connection with the unearthing of the morphine factory here. [Text] [New Delhi PATRIOT in English 9 Aug 81 p 16]

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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

GUANGDONG DRUG, PROSTITUTION BAN

HK190339 Hong Kong WEN WEI PO in Chinese 18 Aug 81 p 3

[Dispatch: "Guangdong Promulgates Today Regulations Banning Drugs, Prostitution"]

[Text] Guangzhou, 18 Aug--The 11th meeting of the [word indistinct] Guangdong Provincial People's Congress Standing Committee adopted a resolution on 7 August approving the Guangdong Provincial People's Government's "provisional regulations banning the peddling and taking of drugs" and the "provisional regulations banning brothels and prostitution." The Provincial People's Government will promulgate and implement these two regulations on 18 August.

The Guangdong Provincial People's Government's "Provisional Regulations Banning Peddling and Taking of Drugs"

Article 1: It is necessary to absolutely ban peddling and taking of drugs in order to maintain social stability and safeguard the people's health. This regulation is formulated in accordance with the province's actual situation and relevant regulations such as "Criminal Laws of the People's Republic of China," the "State Council's General Order on Strictly Forbidding Opium Smoking," and "Regulations of the People's Republic of China Regarding Enforcement of Public Order and Penalties."

Article 2: People who are engaged in manufacturing, peddling and trafficking of opium, heroin, morphine and other drugs are to be punished in accordance with the relevant articles of the "Criminal Laws of the People's Republic of China." More severe punishment is to be imposed on the ringleaders of the narcotics-trafficking gangs.

Article 3: In addition to confiscation of drugs, those who illegally purchase or keep a certain amount of drugs are to be subject to disciplinary detention and a fine of 100 to 3,000 yuan. In more severe cases, the criminals are to be educated through labor and subject to a fine.

Article 4: Those who take drugs are to be subject to disciplinary detention and a fine of 100 to 1,000 yuan, in addition to confiscation of drugs and implementations. Those who never repent despite repeated lessons or those who lure or abet others to take drugs are to be educated through labor and subject to a fine.

Article 5: Those who report and disclose manufacturing and peddling of drugs and drug users are to be commended and awarded.

Those who obstruct any public security and judicial personnel in their detection of drug peddling and taking of drugs and harbor drug users are to be warned, subject to disciplinary detention or educated through labor and fined 50 to 500 yuan; those who harbor criminals engaging in drug peddling are to be more severely punished.

Article 6: With the exception of those who are subject to disciplinary detention and fines, criminals are to be dealt with by the public security organs at and above county level according to the "Regulations of the People's Republic of China Regarding Enforcement of Public Order and Penalties;" those criminals who are to be educated through labor are to be dealt with according to the "Supplement of the State Council's Regulations Regarding Education Through Labor;" and criminals who are responsible for their offences are to be dealt with according to the regulations of the "Law of Criminal Procedure of the People's Republic of China."

Article 7: These regulations are implemented with effect from 18 August 1981.

The Guangdong Provincial People's Government's "Provisional Regulations Banning Brothels and Prostitution"

Article 1: It is necessary to absolutely ban brothels and prostitution in order to maintain social order and good social and moral customs. This regulation is formulated in accordance with the province's actual situation and the relevant regulations of the "Criminal Laws of the People's Republic of China" and "Regulations of the People's Republic of China Regarding Enforcement of Public Order and Penalty."

Article 2: Those who force and abet women to prostitute themselves or seduce and permit them to prostitute themselves for the sake of personal gain are to be punished according to the relevant regulations of the "Criminal Laws of the People's Republic of China."

Article 3: Those who keep the company of prostitutes are to be subjected to disciplinary detention and to a fine of 100 to 3,000 yuan. They will be asked to sign an undertaking to repent and handed back to the units to which they belong or to their relatives for reeducation. In severe cases, they are to undergo education through labor and subject to a fine.

Those who suffer from infectious venereal diseases are to be dealt with more severely.

Article 4: Women engaged in prostitution are to be subject to disciplinary detention and asked to sign an undertaking to repent. They will be handed back to the units to which they belong or to their relatives for reeducation. Those who fail to repent despite repeated lessons are to undergo education through labor. Those who have repented are not to be discriminated against.

Article 5: Those who report and disclose prostitution are to be commended and rewarded. Those who obstruct public security and judicial personnel in the detection of prostitution or harbor prostitutes' clients and prostitutes are to be warned or are to undergo education through criticism. In severe cases, they are to be subject to disciplinary detention or to undergo education through labor and fined 50 to 300 yuan.

Article 6: With the exception of those who are subject to disciplinary detention and fines, criminals are to be dealt with by the public security organs at and above county level according to the "Regulations of the People's Republic of China Regarding Enforcement of Public Order and Penalties;" those criminals who are to be educated through labor are to be dealt with according to the "Supplement of the State Council's Regulations Regarding Education Through Labor;" and criminals who are responsible for their offences are to be dealt with according to the regulations of the "Law of Criminal Procedure of the People's Republic of China."

Article 7: These regulations are to be implemented with effect from 18 August 1981.

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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

GUANGZHOU SECURITY CRACKS DRUG SMUGGLING CASE

HK251436 Hong Kong TA KUNG PAO in Chinese 22 Aug 81 p 4

[Report: "Guangzhou Cracks Drug Smuggling Case"]

[Text] Guangzhou, 22 Aug--After a series of investigations, the Guangzhou public security organ recently uncovered a drug-trafficking group, which used Guangzhou as a transit base. Eight men and six women were arrested successively, and 16.95 kilograms of opium was seized.

According to the investigation of the Guangzhou Public Security Bureau, the drugs were brought in by the drug-smugglers at Yunnan border areas from a drug-trafficking group in a certain country of the "Golden Triangle" in Indochina, and were transported from Yunnan to Guangzhou by this drug-trafficking group. Then, in Guangzhou, they contacted drug-smugglers in Hong Kong and smuggled the drugs into Hong Kong through such contacts to make exorbitant profits.

Among the eight men and six women who were arrested, four men were from Guangzhou, three men and six women from Yunnan and the other man was from Hong Kong. He is believed to have been a purchaser for a drug-trafficking group in Hong Kong. It is clear now that the seven people are the key persons in the drug-trafficking group. They are awaiting trial by the legal organs in Guangzhou.

This case came under investigation in April this year. At that time, quite a few Guangzhou residents had reported to the Public Security Bureau of Guangzhou, saying that some people were using this city as a transit station to smuggle drugs from the "Golden Triangle" into Hong Kong.

After thorough investigations, the public security men in Guangzhou began their arrests on 7 May. On that day, two local men were first arrested along with a Hong Kong visitor on Guangzhou's Nonglinxia Road while they were making an opium deal, and 3.35 kilograms of opium and some 8,000 yuan were found on the scene. Based on clues, the public security men made another arrest that night, and this time a couple was arrested in Guangzhou's Xiangqun Hotel. They flew to Guangzhou from Yunnan's Kunming in April to "establish contact" for trafficking drugs.

On 10 May, the public security men arrested another two men and one woman at Guangzhou Airport, who also came from Kunming, and in their three boxes of "Yunnan rutabagas," 9 kilograms of opium was found.

Since then, the public security organ has seized all necessary materials of this drug-trafficking group. On 3 June, the public security men pursued and captured another man in front of the entrance to the Provincial People's Hospital in Guangzhou and seized 6.5 kilograms of opium. On the same day, three women were arrested just at the moment they were getting on an airplane to fly back to Kunming. They were accused of having secretly transported 9 kilograms of opium from Kunming to Guangzhou and passing them to a woman surnamed Feng and a man. These two were also unable to escape from the net of justice.

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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

BRIEFS

OPIUM PRODUCTION EXPANSION--The Chinese authorities are planning to expand opium production and sell it illegally to other countries. It has been learned that the acreage sown to the opium poppy in the area of Southwest China bordering Burma has noticeably increased in accordance with the authorities' instructions. It is reported that the authorities permit peasants in Yunnan Province's (Xishan) and other areas to plant the opium poppy on their private plots. Opium production is organized in Kunming, Nanning and other cities, and narcotics are shipped to black markets in the world through the Golden Triangle. There are also drug addicts in China. According to reports from Guangzhou, the local police are taking emergency measures to ban drug usage in the south China city. AP reported this week that drug usage was practically eradicated after the establishment of the people's regime in China in 1949 but that now it is rampant again. [Text] [OW230145 Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in Mandarin to Southeast Asia 1300 GMT 21 Aug 81]

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PHILIPPINES

STOREFRONT USED AS HEROIN TRAFFICKING BASE

Manila BULLETIN TODAY in English 18 Aug 81 p 24

[Text]

Thomas Robert Doherty, 28, one of three Americans arrested Friday for alleged possession of heroin worth P1 million, uses a shell-craft store in Mandaue city as his front for drug trafficking activities.

Intelligence sources compiled by the Constabulary Anti-Narcotics Unit (CANU) also said that Doherty and his Filipina wife, Evelyn, are facing charges of illegal possession of marijuana before a Cebu court.

Javi Perez Rubio, 24, one of the alleged local drug traffickers confirmed that Doherty charges P2,000 per gram of heroin. Rubio, along with Roberto Cervantes of Alabang, Muntinlupa, Metro Manila, were arrested yesterday by Makati police operatives led by Sgt. Vic Alcaraz and Patrolman Rolan Garcia.

Doherty, together with another American, Steven Balarama, 30,

were arrested by Makati police operatives while pursuing a hold-up suspect who entered Doherty's room at 305 Tradewinds hotel along South Superhighway, Makati.

The hold-up suspect, Cesar D. Banares, a 28-year-old combo player, was cornered in the room of Doherty who plastic bag containing was seen holding a 33 grams of heroin.

Another American, Glenn K. Koenig, 20, was also subsequently arrested by the police while allegedly receiving two pieces of luggage from another American. The luggage contained rolling papers and disposable needles and syringes used by drug pushers.

CANU sources also said that Doherty has been commuting to and from Bangkok and Cebu four times this year, indicating that the Thai capital is the source of the heroin he distributed in the country.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA

BRIEFS

DRUG BURGLARY--An unidentified drug addict burglarized a health center in Prague stealing seven ampules of Dolsin and other drugs. Also stolen were prescription blanks and a rubber stamp. [Prague ZEMEDELSE NOVINY in Czech 19 Aug 81 p 4]

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BAHAMAS

PRIME MINISTER DISCUSSES ISSUE OF DRUGS

FL261840 Nassau TRIBUNE in English 19 Aug 81 p 1

[Article by Gladstone Thurston]

[Text] Prime Minister Lynden Pindling has called for more cooperation between his government and the United States in wiping out the billion dollar drug trade and alleviating the migration of Haitians to the Bahamas and America.

Addressing a press conference in Treasure Cay, Abaco, the prime minister also continued his lobbying for the Bahamas to be included as a country which is exempted from the U.S. convention-tax act.

On Friday last, Mr Pindling at Treasure Cay declared officially open a \$3 million airport which can accommodate big jets. He saw Abaco as being in a strategic and important position as far as the development of the northern Bahamas is concerned.

During the press conference Mr Pindling was asked whether he was looking to the U.S. Government to do anything to assist him in his development programs or, conversely, whether there is anything which the United States ought not to be doing.

"One of the things that we hope the U.S. Government might see fit to do would be to include the Bahamas as a country which is exempted from the convention-tax act," Mr Pindling said, "which will allow U.S. conventions to be held in the Bahamas without penalty to those American companies which hold those conventions."

Since the U.S. passed this law 3 years ago the Bahamas has lost an estimated \$50 million in revenue, according to Director-General of Tourism Baltron Bethel.

Also, Mr Pindling continued, there would need to be some assistance given to the Bahamas in materials and technical support so that the Bahamas can more properly and efficiently stem and eliminate completely the drug trafficking which goes through the Bahamas en route to the United States.

"There are requirements which will be of assistance to us such as reconnaissance aircraft, fast patrol boats, sophisticated communication systems for ship-to-shore, shore-to-air, ship-to-air which could better enable us to do the job which we think we need to do," Mr Pindling said.

Although this assistance will benefit the Bahamas, since the Bahamas is the last port of call before the drugs enter the United States, it will also be of benefit to the United States.

"It is also important for us to do something about this as well because of the great damage it is causing to the human resources of the Bahamas and it is setting back the economic development process of the Bahamas and is ruining the social infrastructure of the Bahamas," Mr Pindling said.

Mr Pindling said he would have no hesitation whatsoever in telling any American boatman or yachtsman to continue with any plan for cruising the waters of the Bahamas despite the drug trafficking.

"I think there is no doubt that he will enjoy the full hospitality of the Bahamas," Mr Pindling said. "There is a possibility that he might run into either some of his own countrymen who are breaking the laws of the Bahamas, or he may run into some of my countrymen who are breaking the laws of the Bahamas with the full aid and assistance of his countrymen, but you are not to be upset with us if we attempt to bring your countrymen and our countrymen to justice."

He noted that there have been cases which have been reported in the press recently which are largely law enforcement cases where the Bahamian police and Defence Force agencies were endeavoring to enforce the law.

"But it is our objective to keep the land and water areas of the Bahamas safe for Bahamians and non-Bahamians alike and whatever is happening ought not to deter non-Bahamians alike and whatever is happening ought not to deter non-Bahamians from enjoying our waters," Mr Pindling said.

The prime minister was asked to comment on the Reagan administration's policy towards the Haitian refugees.

Mr Pindling said he saw the report about what purports to be a policy statement by the Reagan administration relating to the Haitian refugees.

"I think it would not stem the flow of Haitian refugees to the Bahamas or the United States," Mr Pindling said. "What would stem the flow would be some economic program in Haiti that might offer some kind of hope to these thousands of people who risk their lives almost every day in small open sailing and sometimes motor boats to leave their shores and come to the Bahamas or the United States."

But Mr Pindling said he was not sure whether that would stem the flow either as it would require such massive resources. The Haitians, he said, would need to see something happening in their country which would make it unnecessary for them to take that kind of a chance.

In a way, Mr Pindling said, he was happy that Florida is experiencing the influx of Haitian refugees "because when we spoke of this before and had to take determined action we were sometimes looked at as evil men. Now of course, that problem has landed on the doorsteps and in the living rooms of the Floridians. They realize that we were not unreasonable and evil men at all and their solution is no better than ours.

"I think this will require some joint action that might involve discussions between governments of the United States, Haiti and ourselves to see what approach might be taken to ameliorate the whole situation. It is a very sad case of human misery."

Abaco is in a strategic and important position as far as the development of the northern Bahamas is concerned, Mr Pindling said. Andros is similarly located and is the key to the economic development of the western Bahamas. Exuma, he said, is the key island as far as the development of the southern Bahamas goes.

"The development strategy therefore would be to promote and encourage economic development in Abaco, Andros, Exuma and other islands to the south of Exuma, having regard to the peculiar geographic features of each," he said.

The economic development of Abaco, he said, will at this stage revolve around its tourist, agriculture and fisheries potential. In due course of time, as those three come into focus, there would be considerable spin-offs from each.

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BAHAMAS

SECOND NASSAU DRUG VESSEL, 12 COLOMBIANS SEIZED

Nassau THE TRIBUNE in English 27 Jul 81 p 1

[Article by Athena Damianos]

[Text]

A 160-FOOT New Providence registered vessel carrying hundreds of bales of what is believed to be marijuana and 12 Colombians was arrested in the Bimini area by the Bahamas Defence Force late last night.

The vessel, "Ceja II" - spelt "Geja" on the ship's papers - is the second New Providence-based boat to be seized by the Defence Force in less than a week.

According to Commodore William Swinley, it is the largest boat ever arrested by the Defence Force.

The ship's papers list George W Pinder as the owner. No vessel by the name of "Ceja" is registered under the Merchant Shipping Act.

"Geja II," a 106-foot boat, which is considerably smaller than the arrested vessel is registered under the Shipping Act. George W Pinder is listed as that boat's owner.

However, The Tribune was told that a lawyer telephoned the Department of Maritime Affairs sometime in May on behalf of the owner, alerting authorities that there was an intention to change the name and measurements of the boat.

Up until press time, it could not be confirmed whether the two Geja's could possibly be one and the same boat. In size the 160-foot boat now being held at Prince George's dock is not the 106-foot Geja II, which is registered, unless the latter has been greatly changed and enlarged.

Officers from the Defence Force patrol craft "Eleuthera," under the command of Lt Anthony Allens, made the arrest after they were alerted about "Geja" by the US Coast Guard.

The vessel was first spotted by "Eleuthera" in the area of Northeast Providence Channel. From there, it led "Eleuthera" on a long chase that ended near Bimini.

Officers off "Eleuthera" reported crewmen were seen throwing something off "Geja" during the chase.

At an early guess, the vessel was carrying about 300 bales of what is suspected to be marijuana. "It certainly has the space to carry a lot more (cargo)," said Commander Swinley.

Only last Tuesday, the Defence Force arrested the New Providence registered-vessel "Mariner,"

which was carrying a suspected marijuana cargo.

"Mariner" is owned by Jimmy Hill (1980) Ltd, of which company Nassau lawyer Nigel Bowe is president. Mr Bowe's law partner, Charles Wenzel Mackay, is listed as the company's vice-president.

However, upon receiving news of the drug arrest from The Tribune, Mr Bowe said he and his partner are nominee shareholders of the company, not owners. He refused to reveal the names of the owners, for whom he formed the company in January 1980.

Three days before "Mariner" was arrested, the Defence Force arrested eight boats and 19 foreigners near Chub Cay. They were charged with possession of drugs and poaching.

"This demonstrates clearly yet again the Bahamas Defence Force's intention to apprehend all vessels in Bahamian waters that are suspected of drug smuggling," Commander Swinley said today.

"Now that we have successfully reduced the poaching threat to very small proportions, we can turn our attention to eradicating the drug smuggling at sea."

[Editor's Note: Nassau THE TRIBUNE on 30 July 1981, page 1, reports the "Twelve Colombians, charged with possession of 172 bales of marijuana, have been remanded in custody by Magistrate Shrin Edun. The Colombians were represented by Nigel Bowe. The men were arrested aboard the 160-foot vessel "Ceja II" which was seized July 26 in the Bimini area by the Bahamas Defence Force patrol craft "Eleuthera," under the command of Lieutenant Anthony Allens. Charged were Tranciado Forbes, 51, Juan Oliveros, 35 Pedro Arrieto, 37, Illumiando Berrio Correa, 21, Oscar Romero, 40, Jesus Berrio, 32, Luis Berzara, 49, Carlos Herrera, 23, Luis Palencia, 26, Valentin Pertus, 24, Jorge Cortez, 42, and Alfredo [as published].]

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BERMUDA

TURK SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS FOR HEROIN SMUGGLING

Hamilton THE ROYAL GAZETTE in English 5 Aug 81 p 2

[Excerpt] A Turkish fashion designer involved in a \$250,000 heroin smuggling racket was yesterday jailed for 10 years. Ali Kilci, 25, admitted importing about four and a half ounces of 50 percent pure heroin on January 30 after being hired in London to work for the international spy ring.

The Supreme Court heard how Kilci was approached in the English capital where he lived and offered about \$6,000 plus expenses to travel through Bermuda to Jamaica to collect a package containing drugs. At the time, shortly after Christmas, Kilci was unemployed, defending counsel Mr Toomas Ounapuu, said.

"Mr Kilci became scared at the mention of the word drugs," he said. "But on January 14 he looked at his financial position and decided to take the chance."

A third man, known as Donny, told Kilci of the plan to come to Bermuda where he would meet some contacts before flying on to Jamaica. He would return to Bermuda before heading back to London.

"Kilci asked what kind of drug it was and he was advised that it was cocaine," Mr Ounapuu continued.

Kilci told his English wife that he was going to a fashion show and left for Bermuda with about \$1,400 expenses from the drug dealers. After staying at the Bermudiana Hotel Kilci travelled to Montego Bay, Jamaica, where he was given the drug package.

He met up again with Donny and was told that if anything went wrong he would get 10 years in jail.

"Kilci was surprised at the possible severity of the sentence and told them that he didn't want to do it," said Mr Ounappu. "He was told that he had no choice and that if he didn't do it he would be physically harmed. Kilci reviewed the situation and decided to go through with it."

He concealed the package inside his underwear and flew back to Bermuda. He was arrested by narcotics officers while still on the aircraft. From then on Kilci was cooperative with Police, the court was told.

He took part, using a dummy drug package, in a scheme which led to the arrest of other members of the drug ring at a Police stake-out at the Bermudiana Hotel.

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BERMUDA

BRIEFS

DRUG SUPPLY CHARGE--Berwyn Dears appeared in magistrates court yesterday on drugs charges. Dears, 35, of North Street, Hamilton, is accused of possessing diamorphine with intent to supply and possessing cocaine and cannabis. Miss Elisabeth Arfon-Jones, prosecuting, said 52 foils of heroin were involved in the charges. It is alleged that the offences were committed on Court Street on Monday. Dears was remanded until April 16. He was granted bail of \$2,000 as well as a \$2,000 surety, on condition that he reported daily to Hamilton Police Station. [Text] [Hamilton THE ROYAL GAZETTE in English 2 Apr 81 p 2]

ANTIGUAN CHARGED--A man from Antigua who allegedly imported drugs into Bermuda has been remanded in custody by a magistrate court. Reginald St Luce, 37, of St John's, Antigua, will appear in magistrates court for mention on August 7. [Text] [Hamilton THE ROYAL GAZETTE in English 29 Jul 81 p 8]

MAIL SEARCH PROPOSAL--Search of incoming first-class mail by Police for hard drug imports will most likely be considered by members of the Misuse of Drugs Committee soon. So said the committee's chairman Mr Roderick Pearman yesterday on the heels of a statement made this week by St Brendan's Hospital psychiatrist Dr Michael Radford--who said that Police search of drugs would be one way Government could control imports of hard drugs such as heroin. Yesterday, Dr Radford said that while mail searches might be one possibility, he was not sure how Bermudians would react to having their mail opened. Mr Pearman said that his committee had considered recommending that Government allow mail searches three years ago, but decided to hold off. "We had explored mail searches in great depth three years ago and at that time the feeling was that it just would not be a palatable situation for Bermudians to be subjected to--having their first class mail searched. This is something that can be discussed again when the situation demands that it be discussed." Mr Pearman said that several cases had appeared before the courts of hard drugs being imported through first class mail and that this might have been avoided if Police had the power to search the mail. [Excerpt] [Hamilton THE ROYAL GAZETTE in English 3 Aug 81 pp 1,3] The Progressive Labour Party has come out strongly against the suggestion made by Mr Roderick Pearman, chairman of the Misuse of Drugs Committee, that consideration be given to the search of first class mail for hard drug import. Mr Frederick Wade, Shadow Minister of Finance, said that such a step would be a flagrant violation of people's human rights. Mr Wade stressed that there were other ways and methods that could be used to detect drugs without violating the right to privacy. "At the moment, Government uses dogs who are trained to sniff out cannabis, but they can also get dogs who are trained to detect other drugs as well," he said. [Excerpts] [Hamilton THE ROYAL GAZETTE in English 5 Aug 81 p 1]

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BRAZIL

ENGINEER USES DIPLOMATIC POUCH TO TRANSPORT HASHISH

Engineer With Cocaine Arrested

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 31 Jul 81 p 9

[Text] Engineer Roberto Claudio Silva da Silveira of the Rio de Janeiro Highway Department (DER-RJ), arrested last Friday with almost a kilo of cocaine and accompanied by Dr Jairo Luciano Cabral, was previously involved in Greece with the trafficking of 27 kg of hashish coming from Nepal and destined to arrive in Brazil through means of a diplomatic pouch sent via the Brazilian Embassy in Belgium.

According to the Federal Police, this information was supplied by an INTERPOL source which also gave the name of a Belgian, Mark, as the engineer's accomplice. At the time--the end of 1973--it was Mark himself who was arrested in Greece. Roberto Claugio parted from his accomplice in India, passed by way of Paris and continued to Rio where he was to await the merchandise, "since Mark was to make the arrangements at the embassy."

The INTERPOL source believes the engineer was bringing cocaine to Europe before going to get hashish in Nepal. The international police investigations even succeeded in identifying the diplomat whose name was used by the traffickers. In the report made at the time it was revealed that the shipment, made with diplomatic immunity, was to be labeled a "shipment of persian rugs."

The box containing the Persian rugs and hashish shipment was in the name of Engineer Roberto Claudio Silva da Silveira and was already closed and sealed with the Brazilian Embassy as the remitter. It is now known why Mark went to Athens. He entered Greece by car and was accosted by the police near the center of the capital. The local police had already been alerted by INTERPOL.

The source said that the box was opened after the police found almost a kilo of hashish in the instrument panel of the car driven by Mark. When the Belgian was arrested, he said that a diplomat was involved but that he himself was innocent and that the drug belonged to Brazilian Roberto Claudio.

Information about Mark's arrest and the seizure of the hashish was held up for some time by Europe's INTERPOL to allow its agency in Brazil and the Federal police to

prepare for action. Roberto Claudio, who had been awaiting the merchandise in Rio for sometime, wrote several letters to Zurich where Mark resides. Those letters were intercepted by the police.

Difficult Deposition

Deputy Valterson Bothelo of the Narcotics Bureau has not yet received a deposition from Engineer Roberto Claudio, who is still being held in Ponto Zero prison in Benfica. When he was arrested last Friday, his statements were taken down by a clerk, but the engineer refused to sign. After three attempts, the deputy gave up the interrogation since the engineer said he would make a disposition only in curt.

The inquiry proceedings were forwarded to the 28th Criminal Court and are in the custody of Prosecutor Rafael Saraiva who is to make the formal charge by Tuesday. If no further investigation is requested by that time, Judge Mario Ernesto Ferreira will set a day and hour for the hearing. The period for referring the inquiry to a court of justice expires today. The procedure applicable to drugs is a brief ceremony.

Various depositions have already been made a part of the inquiry, principally those of individuals whose names are on the list which was in the possession of the engineer. Some of those names--about 100--have detailed accounting notations in the margins, such as quantities of cocaine in grams, the value and date of a given transaction, but not methods of payment since the engineer conducted much of his trafficking on a credit basis.

Intensive Activity

In Roberto Claudio's apartment the police confiscated many receipts of deposits made in Account No 52 270 at Banerj Agency, Visconde de Piraja, 559. From the volume of receipts and notations kept almost on a daily basis, the police believe there was intensive activity in the sale of drugs at that apartment.

The police also found a total of 847 grams of cocaine at the engineer's apartment already broken down and separated into bags. Each bag had a label giving the quantity in milligrams, price and name of the customer. The engineer's list also contained the name of Dr Jairo Luciano Cabral. One of the notations indicates a debt of 150,000 cruzeiros. There was also a precision scale and a large number of checks ranging from 5,000 to 394,000 cruzeiros.

The inquiry will also be aided by a blue-covered notebook containing notations connected with the cocaine traffic; this was found at the home of a Frenchman, a travel agent, with names, telephone numbers and addresses. The Frenchman was arrested at the engineer's apartment but, after making a deposition, was released by the police "due to lack of sufficient evidence to hold him." At Dr Jairo Luciano Cabral's home the police found a plastic bag "with an unspecified quantity of marihuana" in addition to two precision scales.

Two More Traffickers Arrested

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 5 Aug 81 p 13

[Text] In addition to Engineer Roberto Claudio and Dr Jairo Cabral, two more persons were charged by Prosecutor Rafael Cesario with drug trafficking: travel agent Jean-Pierre Laeitre and bank clerk Lidia Queiroz Esteves. Judge Mario Ferreira of the 28th Criminal Court received the accusation and set Monday at 1300 hours as the time of the interrogation of the accused. The trial will continue and will be conducted in the privacy of the court as decided by the judge.

Yesterday new documents were made a part of the proceedings and the number 084/81 was assigned to the trial. A courier from the Narcotics Bureau hand-delivered to Prosecutor Rafael Cesario a large brown envelope full of papers among which were bank deposit receipts, sheets with notations and a blue-covered notebook containing telephone numbers and addresses. There were also checks ranging in amounts from 3,000 to 397,000 cruzeiros and a separate list of issuers whom the police consider addicts.

Secrecy Broken

Yesterday afternoon at the prosecutor's office, Judge Mario Ferreira, irritated, wanted to know how O GLOBO had managed to break the court's secrecy inasmuch as the accusation made by the Attorney General's Office against the four persons accused of cocaine trafficking was delivered directly by the prosecutor to the judge without passing through the criminal court's record office, as is customary procedure.

After assuring the magistrate that he gave no information whatever to the reporter, the prosecutor asserted that the reporter had received confidential information about the trial from Attorney Evaristo de Moraes Filho who is defending bank clerk Lidia Cristina Queiroz Esteves.

Prosecutor Rafael Cesario told a colleague yesterday that he was studying the possibility of extending the secrecy of the trial "even until after the judge passes sentence." He also said he hopes further investigation will reveal other traffickers. He plans to send a request to the magistrature asking Deputy Milton da Costa, director of INTERPOL, to prevent Dr Jairo Luciano Cabral from giving further consultations.

The doctor is being held with Engineer Roberto Claudio in the Ponto Zero prison in Benfica, and only yesterday he began to speak to newspaper people by telephone. As for the engineer, the doctor said he was unable to respond "as he was very ill, apprehensive due to lack of cocaine."

Transporting Drugs

In his accusation the prosecutor points out that both Jairo and Roberto Claudio were caught red-handed by the police who found the following items in the Jardim Botanico apartment: about 1 kg of cocaine, already packed in bags, a precision scale and documents pertaining to drug traffic.

Of the other two persons accused, only the Frenchman, Jean-Pierre, was in Roberto Claudio's apartment when they were caught red-handed. The bank clerk was charged since, according to the police, documentation found in the engineer's house implicated her in the trafficking. Jean-Pierre and Lidia are listed as go-betweens, that is, persons who deliver the drug from the trafficker to the addict.

It is mentioned in the proceedings that the action taken by the Narcotics Bureau against the bank clerk resulted from a tip given by a father whose 16-year-old son was led by the group to become an addict. Lidia's name was the first obtained by the police, and that started the investigation which ended up in the trio's being caught red-handed. The court was also given a deposit receipt made out by Roberto Claudio in Lidia's name covering the sum of 160,000 cruzeiros and deposited in her account at the banking institution where she works.

Hashish From Greece

An informer stated yesterday that "in one of his rare lucid moments at Ponto Zero prison Roberto Claudio said he will produce a witness who will prove he is innocent in the affair involving the seizure of 25 kg of hashish in Greece."

According to his new version, the witness is a woman, a friend of the engineer who, in 1973, traveled with him to the East.

"Roberto Claudio and that woman were traveling together when, either in Iraq or Pakistan, they met the Belgian, Mark; he was traveling by car and offered them a ride. The three went together to India and, as the couple made many purchases, particularly Persian rugs, the woman gave the name of a Brazilian diplomat in Belgium who would forward the merchandise to Brazil."

According to the informant, Roberto Claudio will maintain in his interrogation that the diplomat and his traveling companion at the time "are friends and were even neighbors."

"Roberto Claudio assured me that he did not intend to use the diplomatic pouch to send the purchases to Brazil. The diplomat was only going to be kind enough to arrange a normal shipment without compromising the Brazilian Embassy in Brussels.

"Roberto and the girl left Mark while they were still in India, proceeded to Paris and thence to Rio, while the Belgian continued traveling by car. He promised to go by way of Brussels and deliver the box, which was in the engineer's name, for shipment. But on the way he must have purchased the hashish and, upon crossing the Turkish border, was arrested by the Greek police," the informant concluded.

In the Federal Police file, information from INTERPOL on Engineer Roberto Claudio's activities abroad indicates that the 25 kg of hashish seized in Greece was hidden among the Persian rugs in the engineer's box and that the hashish had been transported by the Belgian in his car. Other information indicates the confiscation of certain letters sent by Roberto Claudio from Rio to Zurich--where the Belgian had his permanent residence--complaining about the nonarrival of the shipment. Mark was already arrested at the time he had reported the engineer's involvement

and also accused the diplomat who is at present serving in a Brazilian Embassy in Latin America.

Drug Traffickers at Precinct

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 26 Jul 81 p 24

[Text]



At police headquarters, Dr Jairo Luciano Cabral (hand on face) and Engineer Roberto Claudio da Silveira

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BRAZIL

COCAINE USE UP DUE TO CHEAP ACETONE, ETHER

Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese 29 Jul 81 p 14

[Text] Federal Police agents reported that in a year the use of cocaine has risen about 40 percent and that almost all the drug coming from Bolivia and Peru is being distilled in the country's principal capitals. The basic products used in preparing the drug--ether and acetone--cost much less in Brazil. Traffickers are taking advantage of this and setting up distilleries in deserted spots in cities of the interior.

The almost unlimited purchasing power of major traffickers, addicts related to importat persons and a lack of organization on the part of antidrug departments are cited by the Federal Police as the reasons for the increased traffic. According to the agents, it automatically follows that it is more difficult to catch individuals red-handed inasmuch as cocaine is used in luxury hotels and wealthy mansions and involves persons connected with the country's political machine.

Major Traffickers

According to information at hand, the police are not able to catch anyone red-handed in large hotels since agents are not prepared to frequent "those circles." An operation in Rio's principal nightclubs is also unfeasible as the agents always run up against individuals who say: "Do you know with whom you are speaking?"

Catching the major traffickers--which the police consider impossible--is very difficult, for such traffickers do not deal directly with drug transactions and it is always the smalltime traffickers who end up in court.

"Cocaine is being widely used by high society, and the middle class--despite certain difficulties--has also begun to use it," a Narcotics Bureau informant said.

The police added that they have also been informed about traffic carried on by important persons; but catching someone red-handed or even following a clue which may be accepted by the courts is "virtually impossible." The Federal Police issued a report recently containing the names of the principal traffickers--a step below the bigtime traffickers--who are operating in Rio.

The report cites the following: Flay Campos de Queiros, son of Pedro de Queiros, one of the biggest distillers of cocaine at the Brazil-Bolivia border; Alcione

Luis Pelegrino, one of those responsible for drug trafficking in the Zona Sul; Valdir Ribeiro do Rosario, or Valdir Charuto, in decreed preventive custody; Carlos Krema, who is operating in the entire central part of the city, particularly in the "infernhos" [little hells]; Alvanir Figueiredo, or Bauru, considered the all-powerful in Morro da Providencia; Mariano Vicente de Moura, trafficker in Lapa; Antonio Marcio Biagio, one of the biggest marihuana traffickers, in decreed preventive custody; Valter Jose Maria, or Valter Negao, trafficker in the entire Realengo area; and Adilson Celestino, or Sabara, who is in prison and is continuing to conduct drug trafficking in Morro da Cachoeirinha.

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BRAZIL

BRIEFS

SPANISH COCAINE TRAFFICKER ARRESTED--Campinas--Jose Ausio Soler, a 29-year-old Spaniard in Brazil for 4 months as a tourist, was arrested by the Americana police evening before last; he was carrying 38 grams of pure cocaine which was to be taken to Spain and exchanged for LSD which was to be sold in the Campinas area. Early yesterday morning five addicts were arrested and, at the Holiday Inn where Soler was staying, the police found a "cash book" containing the names of drug purchasers. Soler confessed that a trafficker colleague, Jose Maria Martinez de Carneiro, also a Spaniard, left the country last week "carrying 10 grams to be exchanged." However, the police believe that Martinez left with more than 50 grams estimated to be worth about 200,000 cruzeiros. Jose Ausio Soler's arrest was made possible through tips received by the Americana Police Precinct. According to City Deputy Adolpho Magalhaes Lopes, "early in the investigation a police officer purchased 2 grams from Soler, thus proving that he was a trafficker." Wednesday evening the police went to the Holiday Inn and arrested Jose Ausio Soler who had the 38 grams of cocaine with him for sale in Americana. After the arrest, the investigators remained in the room and early in the morning arrested five persons who had come to purchase cocaine. Their names were not revealed. Jose Ausio Soler has already served time in the Barcelona penitentiary for trafficking cocaine. Yesterday the Americana police began to verify the names of those involved with him. Confronted by the press in the afternoon, Soler said that he had purchased the cocaine in Campinas but did not know the seller's name. "It was in the center of the city and I do not know the person," he said. The trafficker also confessed that his colleague had been trafficking drugs for months. The proceedings of the inquiry will be sent to the Federal Police, the Special Narcotics Bureau of the DEIC [Criminal Investigations Department] and the Foreign Police Headquarters where the Americana Precinct will request Soler's expulsion. [Text] [Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese 31 Jul 81 p 18] 8568

RECORD MARIHUANA BUST--In an unprecedented operation, the Rio Grande do Sul police and the Federal Police broke up one of the biggest drug-trafficking gangs operating in the country. Until now, 28 persons have been indicted, part of whom are already in prison. They were distributing marihuana in eight states under the leadership of Luis Newton Oliveira Galeano, a native of Rio Grande do Sul. This affair had been pursued secretly for the last 16 months when the seizure of 110 grams of marihuana in Sapucaia do Sul, a suburb of Greater Porto Alegre, gave rise to investigations which were to be extended to various states, principally Parana and Santa Catarina. [Text] [Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese 6 Aug 81 p 26] 8568

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COLOMBIA

JUDGE OF 'COCAINE QUEEN' FOUND INNOCENT

Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 24 Jul 81 pp 13-A, 24-A

[Text] In a hearing before a panel consisting of Magistrates Augusto Lozano Delgado, Jorge Ortiz Rubio and Pantaleon Mejia Garzon, the High Court of Bogota has ordered a permanent dismissal of charges against Leonor Izquierdo de Pava, the attorney whom the Superior Judicial Council summarily relieved of the post of Criminal Court Judge No 48 on the grounds that she had committed irregularities in the investigation she conducted in relation to Marleny Orjuela de Sanchez, the so-called "Cocaine Queen" and two other accused persons.



Leonor Izquierdo de Pava,
former judge No 48 of the Criminal Court

The appellate panel handed down this decision in complete agreement with the opinion of its legal consultant, Dr Alfredo Gutierrez Reina. It arrived at the conclusion that the former judge had not committed the crimes of arbitrary detention and misfeasance in office with which she had been charged as a consequence of her actions in that case.

Vindication

The ruling of the Court, which apparently is not subject to review by the Supreme Court, carries special importance not only in clearing the dismissed judge's good name but also in regard to the suit she has brought before the Council of State seeking the annulment of the action by which the Superior Judicial Council removed her from her post for clearcut malfeasance on the basis of the principle of "known truth and good faith." This was the first dismissal case handled by the council since it began functioning.

The Case of the "Cocaine Queen"

It may be recalled that the scandal which culminated in the removal of Dr Izquierdo de Pava resulted from the capture of Marleny Orjuela de Sanchez during the course of an operation carried out by personnel of the national attorney general's office during which the woman mentioned--whom someone called "Cocaine Queen"--and Hector Yepes Morales and Jose de Jesus Rodriguez were captured, the latter two in possession of several kilos of cocaine.

During the investigation Judge Izquierdo de Pava set Marleny Orjuela de Sanchez free and that gave rise to the appointment of an inspector from the Attorney General's Office to examine the judge's actions.

Dismissal and Trial

While the scandal kept growing the judge carried out new investigations and, changing her initial decision, handed down a detention order against the presumed "Cocaine Queen." Meanwhile, disciplinary action had been initiated which culminated in the judge's dismissal by the Superior Judicial Council and in the launching of an investigation of her for the presumed crimes of malfeasance in office and arbitrary detention.

The Dropping of Charges

The Bogota Superior Court decided this latter suit yesterday with the permanent dismissal of charges against the judge who had been removed on the grounds that she had freed the accused woman because at that moment in the proceedings there was not sufficient basis for handing down an order for detention due to the fact that personnel from the attorney general's office who had captured her did not provide the necessary evidence, nor did they come to the judge's office to make the appropriate declaration.

Rulings

Also the Court ruled that since the only statement against Marleny had been given by Jose de Jesus Rodriguez, one of the accused, and that since that statement, taken by the personnel of the attorney general's office, had not been in accordance with legal formalities, the judge, naturally, could not consider it as having sufficient legal weight to order the detention of the accused woman. In reaching the conclusion that Dr Izquierdo de Pava acted within the law, the court

also took into account the fact that during his questioning Rodriguez himself denied the charges he had made and maintained that the signature which appeared on the statement was not his. The man's assertion was subsequently corroborated by the expert graphologists of the Institute of Legal Medicine, a fact which demonstrated that the judge acted correctly in not accepting that supposed proof as valid.

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COLOMBIA

DEPUTIES CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF COCAINE DESTRUCTION

Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 29 Jul 81 p 7-B

[Text] Deputies Edgar Orozco and Jesus Carvajal have requested that the government immediately suspend the destruction of the coca crops in Cauca.

The two deputies asked the government to stop that action while promoting alternative economic measures to provide for the subsistence of the Indians and farmers who have engaged in coca cultivation.

This petition is contained in a document which the two deputies presented to the lower House.

The document had initially been presented as a proposal of the Congress but in the end they let it stand as a position paper.

But at the same time another proposal was approved which establishes a parliamentary committee which, together with a government committee, is to study the socio-economic and political situations which are developing in the south of Cauca Department because of the destruction of the coca fields.

The text of the statement is as follows:

"The undersigned deputies respectfully request the president of the republic, Julio Cesar Turbay Ayala, and the minister of justice, Dr Felio Andrade Manrique, to order the immediate suspension of the destruction of coca fields in Cauca Department until the government has complied with Article 60 of the Decree 1188 of 1974 (National Drug Law) which provides that "the national government shall promote alternative economic measures to provide for the subsistence of the Indians and the farmers engaged in the cultivation of coca before this statute goes into effect."

The text of the proposal approved by the Congress is as follows:

"A parliamentary committee is to be established by this body's leadership so that, jointly with a committee appointed by the executive branch of the government, it may travel to Cauca Department and specifically to the municipalities of Patia, Bolivar, San Sebastian, Almaguer, La Vega, Balboa, La Sierra and Argelia, in the south of Cauca Department, to El Tambo in the west of Cauca Department and Paez

and Inza in the east and study in depth the very serious socioeconomic and political situations which are developing in those regions because of the destruction of the coca crops which the Indians have been cultivating and on which they have depended for their livelihood. The committee is to present to the national Congress and to the president of the republic a judicious, thorough and exhaustive study on the immediate measures to be taken to solve this very serious problem and it will also inform the honorable Chamber whether the national government is complying with the provisions of Article 69 of Decree 1188 of 1974 (National Drug Law)."

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COLOMBIA

BRIEFS

COCAINE, MARIHUANA RAIDS DESCRIBED--Patrols of police specialized in the fight against narcotics dealt two new blows against the drug rings operating in Colombia when they seized more than 5 tons of marihuana and a crop of coca leaves. The operations took place in the urban periphery of Cienaga, Magdalena, where authorities found in a warehouse 130 packages ready for export and weighing 4.5 tons. When the drug traffickers became aware of the police they escaped, leaving behind several firearms. Elsewhere in the same area, in a residence at the corner of 22nd Street and Highway 23, agents found more than a ton of pressed marihuana. Jose Angulo Soto, Carlos Otero Cano and Eduardo Salazar Lara who were arrested in that operation, were in possession of a submachinegun with two clips, six boxes of 9 mm-caliber bullets, 300.30-caliber cartridges and a hydraulic press. And finally, the agents discovered a field of coca with more than 5,000 plants in Sandona on Tombillo Lane. [Text] [Bogota EL SIGLO in Spanish 28 Jul 81 p 2] 9204

COCAINE TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED--During a series of operations carried out last Tuesday units from the Police Departments of Cundinamarca and Huila captured five muggers who had just attacked an interurban bus and seven drug traffickers, some in possession of a considerable quantity of cocaine and the others while they were in front of two coca plantations. Personnel of the Huila Police Department captured Ernesto Gutierrez, Gerardo Acosta, Napoleon Molina, Aristizabal Vasquez Ramirez and Jose Palomino Jimenez on Solarte Lane in the municipality of Pitalito. They were surprised while traveling in a camper without license plates and carrying 2 pounds of pure cocaine and a scale for weighing cocaine. Units from the same department located two coca fields having the capacity to produce 100 "arobas" [unit equivalent to 25 pounds] of coca on two farms called San Judas and San Lucas on Tampillas Lane in the jurisdiction of the municipality Rivera. [Excerpts] [Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 3 Aug 81 p 23-A] 9204

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MEXICO

ANTIDRUG CAMPAIGN RESULTS FOR FIRST HALF REPORTED

Culiacan EL SOL DE SINALOA in Spanish 13 Jul 81 p 7

[Text] The activities carried out during the first half of the year by the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic in the battle against drug trafficking increased in comparison with the same period last year, as did the results, owing to the fact that the excellent rainfall in 1980 caused the drug plantations to thrive more.

In making the foregoing statement, Hector Aviles Castillo, coordinator for Zone 06 of the permanent campaign against drug trafficking noted that, as of 30 June of this year 486 individuals were arrested and tried; whereas, last year, the number was 293. The seizures this year amounted to 2 tons, 562,555 kilograms, compared with 640,636 kilograms last year.

In 1981, the amount of seed confiscated totaled about 50,092 kilograms, in contrast to 5,130 kilograms; and, as for poppies, the figure was 7,396 kilograms in 1981 compared with 11,645 in 1980. This year, 24,552 kilograms of opium gum were seized, while the 1980 figure was 1,714 kilograms. According to Aviles Castillo, this year, 4,300 grams of heroin were seized, compared with 5,237 in 1980.

The department has also seized cocaine amounting to 85 grams in 1981; whereas, last year, the amount was 20 grams. Seizures were made of 9,976 toxic pills, compared with 1,846 confiscated during the first half of 1981.

This year, five clandestine laboratories which had been used for processing drugs were destroyed, 54 vehicles were confiscated and two small aircraft were seized.

The battle to destroy plantations has undergone a considerable increase, and hence the coordinator stated that all the equipment has had to be used for the longest possible period of time, bringing satisfactory results, and the harvesting of the plants has been precluded, thus avoiding their distribution both in the country and abroad.

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MEXICO

PLANS FOR ANTIDRUG CAMPAIGN DISCUSSED AT MEETING

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 19 Jul 81 Sec B p 14

[Text] Mexico City, 18 Jul (INFORMEX)--Today, Samuel Alva Leyva, second assistant attorney general and national coordinator of the permanent campaign against drugs, concluded the activities of the Fourth National Meeting of Regional Coordinators of this campaign, which was a total success. Views were exchanged, and new techniques for combating the drug traffic in our country were decided upon.

Mention was made of the usefulness of the pilot plans, which consist of making a general sweep in certain sections of the mountains, in order to make certain that not a single drug plantation is left in them.

Priority is being given to the areas in which poppy and marihuana production and trafficking are likely, according to Alva Leyva, who reported that, to date, eight pilot plans have been carried out in the states of Guerrero, Michoacan, Oaxaca, Jalisco, Veracruz, Chiapas and Durango, and in the periphery of the Federal District.

He announced that, this year, eight additional plans will be put into effect in the states of Chihuahua, Sonora and Chihuahua, and the northwestern section of the country and the Yucatan peninsula; and gave assurance that the permanent campaign against drug trafficking would continue in the future, in order to eradicate these nefarious plants harming the country.

He cited the major cooperation that the Mexican Army has been offering to the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic (PGR), as well as all the police of Mexico, including the municipal forces.

The closing ceremony was attended by Fernando Baeza Melendez, a senior official from the PGR; Gen Raul Mendiola, head of the Federal Judicial Police; Federico Ponce Rojas, director of administration; Enrique Hernandez Ruiz, chief of the air services unit; and other officials of the institution.

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MEXICO

PRISON PERSONNEL CLAIMED SELLING DRUGS TO INMATES

Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 19 Jul 81 Sec A p 2

[Text] Mexico City, 18 Jul (INFORMEX)--With the knowledge and tolerance of the authorities of the various prisons in Mexico City, intoxicating beverages and all types of drugs are still being brought into the prisons and sold to the inmates.

The foregoing was learned from the many complaints made by numerous relatives of the prisoners, as well as by the employees themselves, to the effect that the high-ranking officials in charge of vigilance bring in the beverages, marihuana, cocaine and other drugs carried in their vehicles.

According to the charge, this situation is most obvious at the Santa Martha Acatitla prison, headed by Juan Alberto Antolin Lozano, in which not only is there trafficking in wines, liquor and drugs, but there has been discovered the forging of American currency within the establishment, as well as the illegal sale of cocaine which, rather than rehabilitating the inmate, deteriorates his physical condition further still.

The same thing holds true for the Southeast and Northeast prisons. In the middle of this week, a report was made of the chief and deputy group chiefs at the northern prison, named Amad Molineo and Pedro Antonio Castro, who are bringing in crates of wine to be adulterated and subsequently sold to the inmates.

Two employees of that prison stated that they had on several occasions reported this criminal beverage and drug trafficking to the general director of prisons and social rehabilitation center, Juan Mucino Labastida, but that he has not paid any attention thus far and, on the contrary, this drug trafficking has increased.

Both employees, whose names are not being given for obvious reasons, expressed their desire to report this serious situation directly to the secretary of government, inasmuch as the corruption inside the prisons is intolerable.

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MEXICO

COCAINE SHIPMENT SEIZED, TRAFFICKERS CAPTURED

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 7 Jul 81 Sec B p 14

[Text] Mexicali--Federal police agents seized a shipment of cocaine worth about \$800,000 (nearly 20 million pesos) on the black market in the United States, and arrested a drug trafficker who has an extensive criminal record for crimes against health.

Almost simultaneously, United States authorities in Douglas, Arizona, arrested an accomplice of Francisco Guzman Tovar, aged 39 (the individual arrested by the police here), who was identified as Porfirio Rocha Herrera, a resident of Mexicali.

The agent of the Federal Public Ministry in this town, Jose S. Reta Diaz, received a report yesterday which was sent to him by the commander of the Federal Judicial Police, Pablo Garcia Martinez, in which the latter notified him of the results of a series of investigations ending in the seizure of 675 grams of cocaine and the capture of the trafficker Guzman Tovar, a resident of No 1995 Churubusco Avenue, on the former Coahuila communal farm in this Baja California capital.

The spokesman for the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic said that Guzman Tovar was arrested a block from his residence, as he was driving a green 1975 Mercury car, with Baja California license plates 804-XHB.

Upon being questioned he admitted to them that he was carrying in the vehicle's spare tire 675 grams of cocaine, which he had brought from Ciudad Obregon, Sonora, and which he intended to turn over soon to his accomplice, Porfirio Rocha Herrera, so that the latter could take it to the United States.

However, Rocha was arrested by the police in Douglas, Arizona, where he will be arraigned for possession of and trafficking in 2 pounds of cocaine.

According to Reta Diaz, Guzman and Rocha are brothers-in-law, and the former has a long record of drug trafficking.

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MEXICO

SUBJECTS CHARGED WITH COCAINE TRAFFICKING OBTAIN RELEASE

Cocaine Distribution Admitted

Piedras Negras EL DIARIO DE PIEDRAS NEGRAS in Spanish 15 Jul 81 Sec D p 4

[Text] Yesterday, the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Xavier Elizondo, took the preliminary statement of the American and the woman who were arrested in Ciudad Acuna with cocaine in their possession, and who said that they had made a contact for the sale of a moderate amount of that drug.

This information was provided to EL DIARIO yesterday, with an indication that these individuals would be turned over to the federal judge of the second district court sometime today.

The individuals in custody are Joe Kaminski and Maria de los Angeles Delgado Reyes. The American had in his possession a bottle containing about 5 grams of cocaine, this being a sample for demonstrating the quality and purity of the drug, which they were attempting to sell. Also confiscated was the sum of nearly \$5,000, included in the indictment, money which is presumed to be a result of previous sales.

The two individuals were arrested by Comdr Mario Espinoza at the Camelia Bar in the red-light district of Ciudad Acuna, where they maintained their center of operations for distributing the drug.

Beating Claimed

Piedras Negras EL DIARIO DE PIEDRAS NEGRAS in Spanish 16 Jul 81 Sec D p 4, Sec A p 2

[Text] Hector Rodolfo de Hoyos, clerk of the district court in this town, took note of the protection sought by Hugo Valdez Guerra for his client, the Polish-American Joe Kaminski and Maria de los Angeles Delgado de Gomez, to protect them from being kept incommunicado, and from beating and torture.

This action was reported yesterday, with an indication that the matter will be turned over to the federal court, where a decision will be made concerning the protection requested, that is, the request made by the official defenders, because Guillermo Ramos is also involved in this action. They demand that the individuals in custody be held for trial within 24 hours or released, with the pertinent court action.

They claimed that they would disclose that the American was beaten to force him to admit his guilt.

Joe Kaminski and Maria de los Angeles Delgado were arrested by Federal Judicial Police forces in the bar known as Camelia, in the red-light district of Ciudad Acuna. The Pole was found to have a bottle containing cocaine in his possession, and when the health center made its tests, it issued certification attesting to the fact that it was a gram of the aforementioned drug.

The individuals under arrest, the drug and the slightly over \$3,000 and 19,000 pesos were turned over to the agent of the Federal Public Ministry.

Insufficient Evidence Found

Piedras Negras EL DIARIO DE PIEDRAS NEGRAS in Spanish 17 Jul 81 Sec D p 2

[Text] Yesterday, the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Xavier Elizondo, granted the release of the Polish-American Joe Kaminski, as well as that of his girlfriend Maria de los Angeles Delgado de Gomez, after deciding that the amount of cocaine found in the American's possession was only for his personal consumption. The health center in this town also noted that the drug, that is, the cocaine, consisted of only 1 gram, and not 5 grams, because it had undergone several "cuts," and the laboratory workers at the health center determined that the American was addicted to this type of drug.

The defense made by Hugo Valdez Guerra and Guillermo Ramos, who even took steps to petition for protection from the federal court against beatings, being kept incommunicado and torture, was very skillful; and they succeeded in prompting the federal prosecutor to decide on the release of the subjects being held, without even remanding them to the federal judge, Canto Lopez.

The two lawyers, possibly the most famous in their field, claimed in the defense of the cocaine trafficking American that he had been tortured in order to obtain a statement from him admitting to the crimes included in the charge. The defense succeeded in having the charges dropped.

This calls to mind a similar case, one involving Floyd Harris Shion, also an American, who was arrested with a grain of heroin, and whom the federal judge at the time there-fore sentenced to 7 years in prison. In the case which concerns us, the defense action was stronger and more categorical. In the case of Floyd Harris, although he was not tortured, he came to make his preliminary statement in a wheelchair, and later was on crutches.

The Pole Kaminski was arrested by the Federal Judicial Police in a vice den named Camelia. This American had in his possession the bottle containing cocaine which, at first, was claimed to be 5 grams, but later was found to be quite adulterated.

In this case, one observed the fully justified action taken by the federal prosecutor.

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MEXICO

DRUGSTORE OWNER CAUGHT SUPPLYING ADDICTS

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 16 Jul 81 Sec B p 7

[Text] Mexicali—According to a report issued yesterday by the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Apolonio Villarreal Sosa, the owner of a pharmacy located in the Pro-Hogar housing development was arrested by Federal Judicial Police agents when he was caught in the act of selling controlled pharmaceuticals (drugs) to two young addicts.

In making the report on the case, the federal official urged the Mexicali community yesterday to report to the social representative entity of which he is in charge all owners and employees of local drugstores who engage in the illegal sale of substances which stimulate and depress the central nervous system.

The individual under arrest is Andres Mendoza Lopez, aged 35, owner of the Mexicali Pharmacy, located at Rio Culiacan Street and Ignacio Ramirez Avenue, in the Pro-Hogar development. Over 13,000 toxic pills, which he kept in a box in the back yard of the establishment, were confiscated from him.

Also arrested were Ignacio Magallon Valdez, aged 28, a resident of No 980 Montes de Oca Avenue, and Jose Luis Montano Zapata, aged 26, a resident of No 857 Abasolo Avenue, both in the Pro-Hogar housing development, who were caught purchasing 12 Optanox pills. They were placed at the disposal of the health authorities for rehabilitation.

Villarreal Sosa announced that he and several Federal Judicial Police agents arrived at the aforementioned drugstore to look at the registration books for the pharmaceuticals controlled by the Secretariat of Health and Assistance, inasmuch as they had received complains from several local residents to the effect that drugs were being sold illegally in that establishment.

Upon arriving, they caught Mendoza Lopez (the owner) selling 12 Optanox pills for 300 pesos to the youths Magallon Valdez and Montano Zapata. The latter were taken into custody upon leaving the establishment, and the former was asked for the aforementioned registration books.

He did not have them, and later confessed to having been engaged in the sale of toxic pills for about 5 or 6 months. He removed a box from the back yard of the drug store, and turned it over to the authorities.

The official from the Office of the Attorney General of Justice stated that the two youths who were arrested admitted that they had been engaged in purchasing toxic pills for exactly 4 months.

He said that any situation such as this should be reported, in order to eradicate the vice "because a community like this, at the height of development, cannot progress as it should so long as there are social problems such as drug addiction."

Today Méndóza Lopez will be held for trial, on charges of a crime against health, and turned over to the first district court.

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MEXICO

POLICE FOIL ATTEMPT TO MARKET PILLS IN PUERTO LIBERTAD

Hermosillo EL IMPARCIAL in Spanish 22 Jul 81 Sec A p 8

[Text] Two individuals who attempted to open a market for psychotropic pills were arrested by Federal Judicial Police forces with 6,000 of them.

The two were arrested in different locations. The first one, Javier Mendoza Cota, was detained while driving a Datsun, traversing a gap between Caborca and Puerto Libertad, and traces of psychotropic pills were found in his possession.

Upon being questioned, this subject stated that, on 11 July of this year, he had sold for the sum of 21,000 pesos 6,000 of these pills, also known as "whites," to Francisco Sau Navarro, in Puerto Libertad, Sonora. The latter was to be responsible for their sale in that location.

The foregoing report was released by the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Ernesto Avila Triana, who remarked that the importance of these arrests lies in the fact that they precluded the opening of a market for this type of drug which the individuals in custody intended to start.

He added that, owing to the surveillance carried out by the Federal Judicial Police in this area, it is known that there is no market for such pills; and evidence of this is the fact that after having had them in his possession for 10 days, Francisco Sau Navarro had been unable to sell them.

He went on to say that, therefore, this case is a success for the Federal Judicial Police, indicating an efficient permanent battle against the drug traffic.

The first to be arrested, Javier Mendoza Cota, told the Federal Judicial Police that his residence is currently in Tucson. When arrested, he was in a 1975 Datsun with state of Arizona plates ABB-369.

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MEXICO

POLICE CAPTURE WANTED MARIHUANA RING MEMBER

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 10 Jul 81 Sec B p 14

[Text] Mexicali--Jose Luis Carrasco Villegas, owner of a fodder business in Calexico, and a major member of a transcontinental ring of drug traffickers which was discovered and broken up on 6 January of this year by Mexican Army troops (during a shootout on a clandestine runway located in this municipality), was captured by Federal Judicial Police agents.

In making the report, the agent of the Federal Public Ministry in this jurisdiction, Jose S. Reta Diaz, stated that Carrasco Villegas, aged 25, was arrested as he was driving a vehicle in the vicinity of this town.

He noted that, in this way, a warrant for arrest issued by the first district judge in the state, Jesus Gudino Pelayo, was implemented.

Carrasco, owner of the company named Carrasco Fodder, established in Calexico, had been sending drugs (mainly marihuana) to that town, from which they were distributed to different parts of the United States

Background

On the night of 6 January of this year, Mexican Army troops held a gun battle with members of a drug trafficking ring on a clandestine runway discovered in Laguna Seca, in the municipality of Mexicali, which resulted in the death of two of the traffickers and the wounding of another. According to the report made at the time, Antonio Estrada Gomez and Manuel Americo Castillo were killed, while the American pilot, Gregory L. Gillet, sustained a bullet wound.

The Colombians Alberto Leon Hernandez, Fernando Caicedo Varon and Ciro Fernando Molina were arrested, as were the Mexicans Manuel Aguirre Galindo, Eduardo Escolares Jimenez, Rodolfo Palacios Rivera, Jose Teodulo Jimenez, Francisco Reyes Delgadillo, Jesus Alberto Sanchez Munoz, Rene Verdugo Urquidez and Jose Luis Reyes Delgadillo.

On the scene of the incident, the Army seized a Colombian Air Force DC-4 plane (flown by the American pilot, Gregory L. Gillet), as well as 7.5 tons of marihuana located on that aircraft. The drugs had just been brought from Colombia.

It was said that the contact in that country was Juvenal Gomez Barajas, while the contact in northwestern Mexico was Manuel Aguirre Galindo, who was arrested during the gun battle on 6 January.

Some names of the members of the ring who were not captured in the operation were concealed by the police, including that of Jose Luis Carrasco Villegas.

The latter joined the ring years ago and, according to the report made yesterday by the federal prosecutor, he had succeeded in taking several marihuana shipments across to the United States.

The action against all the aforementioned subjects in custody is taking place in the first district court in this capital.

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MEXICO

MARIHUANA PLANTATIONS DESTROYED, TRAFFICKERS CAPTURED

Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 29 Jul 81 Sec C p 3

[Text] During their reconnaissance flights over the states situated between Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon and Coahuila, the Federal Judicial Police have located countless marihuana plantations which have been destroyed to prevent the poisoning of young people who, after having consumed drugs for certain periods of time, become genuine social outcasts.

During the past few days, the federal agents discovered and destroyed several marihuana plantations which had been utilized by five individuals from Nuevo Leon, who were found to have several kilograms of the "fateful" grass in their possession, as well as a moderate number of weapons and ammunition.

Eleuterio Luna Pantoja, Julian Luna Siller, Everardo Rodriguez Tamez, Fernando Santos Perales and Orlando Tijerina Sanchez are the five subjects who had been engaged in growing marihuana on the Joyas de Antejitos communal farm in the municipality of Arramberri, in the state of Nuevo Leon.

During the search raid made by the federal police agents, 15 burlap bags containing over 70 kilograms of marihuana were seized. At the same time, in a 1974 Volkswagen vehicle with state of Nuevo Leon license plates RLD-356, which these individuals had been using to transport small amounts of grass, they discovered weapons of various calibers and a considerable volume of ammunition.

The federal authorities also proceeded to destroy a marihuana plantation measuring approximately 70 square meters, with a density of eight plants per meter, which was located on a site known as Puerto Pecedillos, in the municipality of Arramberri.

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MEXICO

SIX TRAFFICKERS HELD FOR TRIAL, LABORATORY SEIZED

Culiacan EL SOL DE SINALOA in Spanish 19 Jul 81 Sec B p 2

[Text] Six persons were remanded by the agency of the Federal Public Ministry to the first district judge for crimes against health, in the degree of purchase, sale, processing and distribution of drugs, and any others that may result. They have confessed that they were engaged for some time in drug trafficking activities.

The subjects presumed to be guilty are: Jose Guadalupe Quinones Torres, Felipe Angulo Torres, Enrique Quinones Torres, Jose Asencion Araujo Hernandez, alias "Victor", Jesus Salvador Trujillo Rodriguez and Alma Rosa Marquez Zazueta, alias "Rossy", from whom the Federal Judicial Police confiscated 1 kilogram and 320 grams of marijuana seed, 554 grams of opium gum and 54 grams of morphine, as well as primitive utensils which had been used in the clandestine laboratory run by these individuals.

The arrest made by the forces under orders from the second commander of the Federal Judicial Police, Manuel Espindola Martinez, took place in the Lombardo Toledano development in this capital town, and those implicated had the laboratory at the El Diez camp in this central municipality.

The success of the investigation was due to the speed with which the agents from the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic acted. In their report, they reveal that the woman who was arrested was a professional prostitute, and was engaged in both the distribution and transportation of the drugs, as well as the procurement of contacts for the purchase of drugs which were to be processed later.

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MEXICO

LARGE AMOUNT OF MARIHUANA SEIZED FROM TRAFFICKERS

Ciudad Juarez EL FRONTERIZO in Spanish 10 Jul 81 Sec B p 2

[Text] Yesterday, agents of the Federal Judicial Police seized a ton and a half of marihuana from the notorious criminal, Daniel Contreras Villanueva, alias "El Bonny", on a communal farm near the settlement of Villa Ahumada.

Several agents under orders from the regional commander, Carlos Gabriel Santillanez Ramos, first made a seizure yesterday of 500 kilograms of marihuana in some adobe walls located at kilometer 22 of the Pan-American Highway, arresting Rene Camarena Malnar, "Bonny's" accomplice, who admitted that most of the grass shipment was stored on the Villa Ahumada communal farm, near the settlement of the same name.

Continuing the investigation, the Federal Judicial Police agents actually discovered on the aforementioned communal farm 1,000 more kilograms of the harmful grass, all owned by Contreras Villanueva. It was taken from there to this border in two vehicles which they commandeered, namely, a 1960 Ford truck and a 1980 pickup type truck.

On the same communal farm, the drug trafficker nicknamed "El Bonny" was arrested, and confessed that the marihuana was his, and that he had purchased it in the states of Oaxaca and Veracruz, from some individuals who acted as his contact and with whom he had been operating for several years.

It was also learned that a 9 millimeter caliber pistol was confiscated from "Bonny's" accomplice, Camarena Malnar, who did not have time to use it when he was apprehended by the Federal Police agents.

Two other persons have also apparently been arrested, but their names were not given so as not to interfere with the investigations; but they would appear to be the contacts in Oaxaca and Veracruz whom "El Bonny" mentioned.

Today, this pair of drug traffickers will be turned over to the Federal Public Ministry where "Bonny" will be charged with some crimes committed previously, including in particular the death of a young mna.



The drug trafficker Daniel Contreras Villanueva, alias "El Bonny" and his accomplice, Rene Camarena Malnar, were captured without a struggle after having been caught by the Federal Judicial Police with a ton and a half of marihuara.

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MEXICO

BRIEFS

FOUR TRAFFICKERS RELEASED--Four federal prisoners who were convicted and sentenced for having trafficked in drugs recovered their freedom during the past few days, some because of having served their sentences and another because he received pre-release benefits. Prominent among them is the drug trafficker Pablo Vazquez Flores, alias "El Coreano," who, as may be recalled, succeeded in escaping from the La Loma prison on 1 December 1976, but was recaptured 10 days later. This individual managed to obtain from the General Directorate of Coordinated Crime Prevention and Social Rehabilitation Services the pre-release benefits in the form of daily egress with nighttime confinement. On the basis of a trial which was held in the second district court, he was sentenced to 8 years in prison and given a fine of 10,000 pesos. It was also reported that Calixto Quirino Juarez, who entered La Loma on 26 November 1975, having been sentenced to 8 years and 6 months in prison, regained his freedom when that sentence was considered to have been served. Jorge Perez Cardona, who entered jail on 26 July 1977 with a 7 year sentence, was freed upon the completion of that sentence. Finally, it was announced that Manuel Diaz Caballero, sentenced to 6 years and 6 months in prison, obtained pre-release benefits in the form of daily egress and nighttime confinement. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 30 Jul 81 Sec B p 7] 2909

PILL PUSHERS ARRESTED--Mexicali--On Saturday afternoon, municipal police agents succeeded in arresting four individuals who were members of a criminal gang supplying toxic pills to the youths who gather every day in Heroes de Chapultepec Park, adjoining the United States border. A total of 730 psychotropic pills of various types was seized from them. The individuals under arrest are Ruben Lopez Lopez, Jose Jimenez Ruiz, Raul Valdez and Rodrigo Salas Flores, aged 18, 17, 24 and 17 years, respectively; all of whom are residents of this capital. A report sent by the municipal police to the public ministry placing the four subjects in custody at the latter's disposal states that they were caught by agents from that entity while distributing drugs among the young addicts who congregate in that park, located a few meters from the borderline with the United States. Except for Rodrigo Salas Flores, who was in normal condition, all the others were given a medical examination, the results of which showed that they were drugged with depressant pills affecting the nervous system. From all of them the police collected 730 pills of different kinds, as well as a portable radio and other items the origin of which will also be investigated. This is, in fact the heaviest blow dealt by the local police to the drug distributors who have been meeting in that location for the past several years. [Text] [Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 20 Jul 81 Sec B p 14] 2909

COCAINE SMUGGLER CAUGHT--Mexico City, 7 Jul (INFORMEX)--This morning, at the Mexico City International Airport, the Federal Judicial Police arrested the Mexican drug trafficker Juana Dominguez Lozada, and confiscated from her nearly a kilogram of pure cocaine worth 5 million pesos. The woman was arrested when she left flight 646 of the LACSA airline arriving from Costa Rica, where she claimed to have purchased the drug for subsequent distribution in this capital to addicts, particularly in red-light district nightclubs. She was carrying the drug in small plastic bags attached to her underwear. The drug trafficker explained that she had arrived in this capital on other occasions carrying similar amounts of cocaine, but managed to evade the police vigilance on all of them. The judicial police succeeded in catching this woman after the dog Fritz detected the drug during the inspection. Today, Dominguez Lozada was placed at the disposal of the General Directorate of Preliminary Investigations of the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic, and she will later be transferred to the sixth penal court in which she will be tried. [Text] [Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 8 Jul 81 Sec B p 16] 2909

TRAFFICKING RING CAPTURED--Mexico City, 15 Jul (INFORMEX)--A well organized ring of drug traffickers and car thieves was captured in Oaxaca. Near Tuxtepec, Oaxaca, over half a ton of marihuana was seized, and those responsible for it, namely, Aristeo Alonso Utrera, Jorge Agustin del Valle Cortes and Adan Cristobal Teodoro, were captured. The first-named of the group was caught at Rio Lalana, on the Palomares-Tuxtepec highway, in a 1975 Ford pickup truck without license plates, which was also carrying 200 kilograms of marihuana. After this, the judicial police managed to locate a machine-shop in Tuxtepec, owned by Wilfrido Aguirre Hondal, an accomplice of the others, and five small trucks, three automobiles and a Ford pickup truck were found on the site. In the investigation, it was discovered that all these vehicles had been purchased by those persons without the respective documentation; and hence the possibility of their having stolen them has not been precluded. The individuals in custody, the marihuana and the vehicles were turned over to the Federal Public Ministry in Oaxaca, where they will be assigned to the pertinent judge. [Text] [Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 16 Jul 81 Sec B p 7] 2909

YACHT WITH MARIHUANA DISCOVERED--Mexico City, 16 Jul (NOTIMEX)--An American luxury yacht, the "Alexandria," loaded with over a ton of marihuana, bound for the port of Miami, Florida, ran aground on the Mexican coast and was discovered by the police. In Chetumal, Quintana Roo, the crew members Edward Myers Millard and Bruce Boatright were apprehended. Both attempted to obtain "underwater" aid to free their boat which was located near the Xkabex beaches from the shoals. The federal agents made a visual search inside the vessel, finding 91 plastic and 15 burlap bags containing 1 ton and 60 kilograms of Colombian marihuana, known as "lamb's tail" and "red hair." The yacht, with a hold in its lower section, is of American registry. The crew may possibly have made a mistake and deviated from its course from Colombia to Florida, running aground on the shores of Quintana Roo. The traffickers confessed to having procured the drug from well-known Colombian distributors, and said that they intended to transfer it, for sale at high prices, to Galveston and Miami, in the United States. [Text] [Piedras Negras EL DIARIO DE PIEDRAS NEGRAS in Spanish 17 Jul 81 p 1] 2909

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ST LUCIA

BRIEFS

POLICE CRACKDOWN--Castries, St Lucia, Thursday, (CANA)--St Lucia police have declared war against drug traffickers operating around Saint Lucia and in a series of raids over the past 14 days, have seized and destroyed over EC\$30 million (\$1 EC equal 37 U.S. cents) worth of marijuana. The latest incident involved the arrest of a Jamaican at the airport last night, when EC \$250 000 worth of marijuana was found stacked away in 36 record jackets. He appeared in court this morning and was charged \$4 000 and sent to prison for one year. Earlier this week police shot and killed Emmanuel Isidore of the town of Soufriere, and wounded another man when a group of rastafarians opened fire on a search party. Four men fled but the police seized EC \$5 million worth of marijuana and a quantity of guns and ammunition. But the lawmen made their biggest raid over last week, when they raided the village of Anse-La-Raye and arrested a man for allegedly being in possession of marijuana valued at EC\$18 million. [Text] [Bridgetown ADVOCATE-NEWS in English 31 Jul 81 p 3]

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IRAN

BRIEFS

DRUGS DISCOVERY--PARS reports that the Public Relations Office of the gendarmerie of the Islamic Republic of Iran has announced: Gendarmerie personnel in Zahedan, Khorasan, Kerman and Lorestan, as a result of their hard work and round-the-clock efforts during the past 20 days, succeeded in discovering 43 firearms, 44 grenades, 9,049 rounds of ammunition, about 64 kg of opium, more than 8 kg of heroin and 9 kg of hashish, 38,390 packages of cigarettes and 13 fabric rolls. In this connection, a number of people were arrested and handed over to the authorities. [Text] [Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Aug 81]

OPIUM DISCOVERY--PARS reports that the strike squad of the guards corps in Seyyedabad near Torbat-e Heydariyeh last night succeeded in discovering a smuggler with more than 8.57 kg of opium. He was arrested and handed over to the authorities together with his file. [Text] [Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Aug 81]

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ZIMBABWE

ALCOHOL, DRUG ABUSE IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS 'WIDESPREAD'

Supplied by Locals

Salisbury THE SUNDAY MAIL in English 23 Aug 81 p 1

[Article by Giles Kuimba]

[Text] TWENTY-FOUR senior pupils, including 11 prefects believed to have been involved in an alcohol and drug-taking ring, have been expelled from the Salvation Army's Mazoe Secondary School, 32 km north of Salisbury.

Authorities believe that the problem of alcohol and drugs in the country's secondary schools is now widespread, and has reached serious proportions.

The expulsions at Mazoe followed a reign of terror during which senior students, under the influence of drugs and alcohol, mostly kachasu, beat up junior students whom they accused of being friendly with members of staff.

In one incident a parent took court action against 11 senior boys who assaulted his son, causing grievous bodily harm.

They pleaded guilty and were fined \$30 or 30 days' imprisonment.

In an effort to cover up their activities, the senior boys in Forms 3 and 4, including prefects, had earlier issued stringent instructions to junior boys in Forms 1 and 2 to avoid contacts and friendships with the headmaster and members of staff at all costs.

They were told: "Keep away from the headmaster and staff. No contacts. Not even a greeting."

Junior boys were forced by seniors to wash their blankets, bedsheets and uniforms. Those who refused received severe beatings.

'Courts'

The juniors were also sent on errands to get kachasu and dagga outside the school premises — often at night.

Kangaroo courts were held to try juniors considered to have contravened any of the rulings laid down by senior boys.

So great was the terror instilled in the juniors that none of the beatings, which were carried out in the dead of night, were reported to the headmaster or any member of staff.

The victims were ordered to wear sunglasses to hide black, swollen eyes, from the staff.

In many cases intended victims tried to escape into the bush where they spent the night, returning to the school in the morning.

Inklings

The first inkling the headmaster, Mr John Muteiwa, who is known as a strict disciplinarian, had that all was not well was in May when a parent reported that his son had been beaten up at night by three Form 4 students who had accused him of talking to teachers.

After investigating the matter, Mr Muteiwa called in the parents of the culprits and asked them to withdraw their sons from the school.

"At the time I sincerely believed it to be an isolated incident," Mr Muteiwa said. But a month later he received letters from the parents of two other juniors who had also been severely beaten up.

Investigating, he discovered that the two vic-

tims, both in Form 2, were members of the school band who had been assaulted because they had gone to collect a musical instrument from the superintendent who taught them.

After returning the instrument, they had been accosted by six senior boys and accused of being "tshombes" (sell-outs) because they had talked to their teacher. "You were reporting our activities," they were accused.

In the middle of the night the two juniors were dragged out of bed and beaten up.

Said Mr Muteiwa: "Although I again called in the parents and asked them to take their sons away with them, this time I was worried sick. Something serious was obviously going on, but no one would say what it was.

"I was forced, more so because a meeting with the staff, and another with the prefects, failed to reveal what was wrong. The prefects said they

knew nothing.

"It was puzzling that students did not speak to teachers, not even a 'good morning', and that was unusual."

Vicious

The third shock came when police went to the school and collected six senior boys charged with assault after a vicious attack on a number of junior boys.

This time it was the police themselves who called in the parents to collect their sons from the camp, and Mr Muteiwa refused to have the boys back in the school.

In a fourth incident, several younger Form 4 boys were severely beaten up by prefects who accused them of being sell-outs because they had not taken part in earlier beatings of juniors.

A parent reported the case to police and the 11 prefects were fined. During the hearings the headmaster heard for the first

time that the beatings took place after midnight when all inspections of dormitories and school grounds had been completed.

"But what pained me most of all was that the very prefects I had relied upon to help me maintain discipline in the school were the ones behind all the disturbances. Naturally, they are no longer at the school," he said.

The school's superintendent, Captain P. S. Ndlovu, has sent a circular to all parents about the disturbances at the school. It warned that swift action would continue to be taken to punish the offenders.

Mr Muteiwa said the taking of alcohol and dagga was now widespread in the country's secondary schools.

Five country schools contacted last week all agreed that they had faced similar problems, particularly last year.

Agreeing that the situa-

tion was bad in some cases, the principal of Waddilove Training Institution, Mr H. J. Malaba, said in an interview:

"We had an alcohol and dagga problem, particularly last year when we had a double intake of Forms 1 and 2. Most of them came from towns and from schools which had been closed.

"It appeared that with nothing to do the youngsters had long been in contact with elements involved in dagga and alcohol."

Mr Malaba said he had had to ask two parents this year to withdraw their sons from the school because they were behaving like habitual criminals.

He blamed the prevalence of dagga and alcohol among students on local people from surrounding villages and farms who, for the sake of making money and not caring to whom they sold it, made it available to schoolchildren.

Firm Discipline

Salisbury THE SUNDAY MAIL in English 23 Aug 81 p 14

[Editorial]

[Text]

THE Sunday Mail publishes today a sad story of a serious breakdown of discipline at the Mazoe Secondary School. We believe this is not an isolated case, but the visible symptom of a widespread disease — indeed, the tip of a huge iceberg.

In the same manner that the disease corroded the Mazoe Secondary School with the authorities remaining ignorant, it could also be existing at many other schools with the authorities living in a fools' paradise.

So there is naught for the comfort of the rest of the schools in the country.

Discipline is as indispensable to a school as it is to an army. There can be no learning or teaching without the establishment of discipline.

Any effort to teach without establishing discipline first, is a futile indulgence — a crying waste of valuable time.

When students smoke dagga and take other mind-stultifying drugs, drink the murderous kachasu and other intoxicating drinks; when they classify their teachers as their enemies and break all effective communications with them; when they become a pocket of power, challenging the headmaster and able to prescribe their own rules and regulations and to punish other students — that school has gone to the dogs.

It has become a den of gangsters, and something dramatic and drastic must be done to restore both the body and spirit of the school.

Acting with kid-gloves will not help in dealing with warped-minded thugs. Tough action is the only solution. Better no school than keep a hide-out of criminals in the guise of a school.

Many people in our country misconstrue the meaning of our independence. They think it is an open-sesame to all manner of dehauchery — lazing, drowning in alcohol and committing all the evils one can think of, with impunity.

Some students think it is an age of permissiveness that spells the end of hard work and of examinations at school; and at the end of the year they will be passed even if they never cast a glance at a book.

This is the time to show to Zimbabweans, students or workers, even in a most painful way, the real meaning of independence. Tomorrow will be too late. When attitudes of permissiveness have crystallised, it will need a sledgehammer to extirpate them.

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DENMARK

MYSTERIOUS NARCOTIC SUBSTANCE BLAMED FOR DEATHS

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 7 Aug 81 p 7

[Text] Nineteen people were arrested yesterday in connection with the riot patrol's search for a mysterious substance that has taken the lives of six Copenhagen drug addicts and one in Arhus in recent weeks.

On one of those detained police found heroin in a 50 percent concentration. In an apartment on Istedgade 16 people were arrested and a substance was found that preliminary study showed to be a mixture of heroin and cocaine.

Wednesday morning Dr. Johannes Hagelsten, chief physician in the narcotics section of Municipal Hospital, warned that five people had been brought in unconscious as a result of narcotics. Two of them died. Later that day police found 16-year-old Pia dead in a Vesterbro apartment and in the restroom of a department store in Arhus a young woman was found dead with a hypodermic needle in her hand. The weekend before six people were brought in to Municipal Hospital with narcotics poisoning. Three of them died later.

Members of the riot patrol have been warning Copenhagen addicts against the new drug in the last few days.

Two men were jailed yesterday after a closed court hearing in connection with the mysterious substance. One is thought to have a direct connection with Pia's death.

The chief of the riot patrol, Police Commissioner Ove Nielsen, told BERLINGSKE TIDENDE that after the many fatalities a quantity of 50 percent heroin had been found. The heroin normally sold varies between 3 and 10 percent. Recently the heroin available in Copenhagen has been very thin. If 50 percent heroin has now hit the market a normal "fix" can be a fatal overdose.

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DENMARK

COPENHAGEN AIRPORT CUSTOMS SEIZE RECORD COCAINE HAUL

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 14 Jul 81 p 1

[Article by Mogens Auning and Hans Moller]

[Text] The biggest attempted cocaine smuggling affair in Europe to date was uncovered by customs agents at Kastrup Airport. This was a delivery of around 6 kg with a street value of roughly 20 million kroner.

The find was made on a woman passenger, a 29-year-old office worker from Chile and it was discovered purely by chance. A routine spot check of an attractive, well-dressed woman.

The discovery was made Sunday afternoon as passengers from a flight from London went through customs. In a routine check the customs men asked to see the Chilean woman's luggage, two suitcases. A search showed both suitcases had false bottoms.

The police were called in and when the false bottoms were cut open the cocaine came to light.

A closer check of the woman showed that she had two passports and was equipped with a great many airplane tickets.

The price of cocaine hovers around 1000 kroner per gram in the "import branch." For dealers the price is thus around 6 million kroner. But this price does not apply when the drug is sold on the street since profits are then added amounting to more than several hundred percent.

At the moment this drug is very popular among the so-called Copenhagen "jet set."

The Copenhagen narcotics police would not comment on the seizure. They would confirm only that a person had been jailed after a preliminary examination behind closed doors.

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DENMARK

POLICE RECAPTURE ESCAPED NARCOTICS SMUGGLER

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 22 Jul 81 p 2

[Article by Bent Bak Andersen]

[Text] After having been free for almost 3 years, Danish narcotics dealer Jan Vandal, 33, is once more in a Danish prison. During his flight he amassed a fortune of 830,000 kroner in a Swiss bank.

Jan Vandal was seized by Swiss authorities on 16 May of this year bearing a false passport. A check of his fingerprints quickly revealed that this was the escaped narcotics dealer who failed to return in 1978 after an outside leave from the penal institution in Vridsloselille.

When the 33-year-old man--former substitute teacher and rug merchant, sentenced earlier for dealing in hashish--failed to return he had only a few months left to serve of a sentence of 5 years imprisonment for narcotics dealing.

While in custody in 1975 and during the first months he served of the 5-year sentence, Jan Vandal studied medicine in his prison cell. Later--in April 1978--he was given leave so he could hear medical lectures at Copenhagen University.

On 15 June 1978 Vandal did not return to his cell in Vridslose and since then he has been on the wanted list all over the world via Interpol until he was arrested in Switzerland.

After receiving a suspended sentence for falsifying documents in Switzerland Jan Vandal was handed over to continue serving his sentence in Denmark in the middle of this month. There are also a few charges on violating the narcotics laws which the narcotics police would like to talk to him about.

Police can only speculate what the narcotics dealer was doing in the 3 years he was out of jail but 830,000 kroner in Jan Vandal's name are deposited in a Swiss bank account. Danish police authorities are now trying to get this money turned over but there are several problems. Jan Vandal is one of the group of young people who in the mid-1960's smuggled in large amounts of hashish, specifically intended for the so-called "whiskey belt" outside Copenhagen. He conducted the smuggling operations under cover of rug imports but there were never any receipts for rug sales.

A year ago things almost went wrong for Jan Vandal. He was detained by West German police in Munich along with his wife Ritva but the West German police only had a wanted notice out for Ritva who was also in possession of a small amount of narcotics. Jan Vandal was allowed to leave and remained free another year before the trap closed in on him.

For the time being the 33-year-old narcotics dealer has been placed in an isolation cell until 12 August.

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DENMARK

NARCOTICS POLICE URGE ACTION TO CHECK NARCOTICS USED

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 8 Aug 81 p 3

[Article by Bent Bak Andersen]

[Text] The Copenhagen riot patrol is now asking higher police authorities to authorize money for sending in samples of the narcotics seized every day from dealers and addicts at least once a week to the Institute of Forensic Medicine.

The proposal was made because of the many recent deaths among drug addicts in Copenhagen and Aarhus. Preliminary investigations show that the victims took heroin in concentrations of 50 percent whereas they normally inject heroin with concentrations between 3 and 10 percent. The shock given the body by the high concentrations paralyzes the breathing system, among other things, and can be lethal to less-adept addicts.

"The reason why we are recommending a weekly analysis of the various drugs we confiscate every day is that we could then form a picture of how high the drug concentrations are and thus of how dangerous they are. If this helps us to save just one human life a lot will have been accomplished and we also hope we can warn drug addicts in good time before they buy and inject the drugs," said Police Commissioner Ove Nielsen of the riot patrol.

Preliminary investigations of the drugs that killed several addicts showed them to be 50 percent pure heroin while other batches resembled cinnamon. If the pure heroin is injected into the veins in the same quantity as drug addicts normally inject the central nervous system of the victim is paralyzed and in most cases the addict dies. Forensic medical researchers could not say offhand why the brown heroin caused death but preliminary analyses indicated it could be so poorly refined that it contains foreign particles that could cause death through poisoning or paralysis.

If a drug addict consumes an overdose of cocaine, which is a mental and physical upper, the breathing system is paralyzed and death occurs quickly.

Nothing at the moment suggests that any of the dead narcotics addicts had consumed a mixture of heroin and cocaine, a report that was widely circulated.

The police now think they have come a good bit of the way toward clearing up the many deaths among drug addicts. Yesterday night riot police arrested a Danish woman with 25 grams of highly concentrated heroin on her. Normally this heroin would have to be diluted 10 to 1 before injection. The police also detained a Dutch citizen thought to be in close contact with the Danish woman who may have helped her obtain the drug. Police found 1 gram of the polluted brown heroin on him. Both had a preliminary court hearing late in the day, charged under the strict narcotics paragraph in the Penal Code.

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DENMARK

BRIEFS

DRUGS FROM PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES--Up to 60 percent of the drugs sold on the illegal narcotics market come from legally-sold prescription medicines that have been resold. This is shown by calculations made by the People's Movement Against Hard Drugs. In that connection the movement has planned a demonstration at the Health Bureau Friday afternoon to protest the fact that doctors are much too quick and too willing to write out prescriptions for narcotic substances. The demonstration is part of a larger action being organized in Copenhagen Thursday and Friday by the People's Movement Against Hard Drugs. During the 2 days surprise actions will be taken against various aspects of the Copenhagen drug scene. In addition there will be poster displays and music--Thursday afternoon at Christianshavn Torv and Friday afternoon at Nytorv. [Text] [Copenhagen INFORMATION in Danish 6 Aug 81 p 4] 6578

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FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

BRIEFS

MORE SEVERE DRUG DEALING PENALTIES--Bonn. The Bundesrat voted yesterday for the new drug law, passed unanimously by the Bundestag at the end of May, which is to intensify the fight against drugs. The law goes into effect on 1 January 1982; its intention is to punish drug crimes more severely and to get more drug-addicted criminals to participate in social-therapeutic measures. In the future especially, heavier cases of drug dealing will carry a maximum sentence of 10 years. The maximum sentence for simple drug dealing will be increased from 3 to 4 years. Felons who are instrumental in solving crimes or preventing further activities can expect their sentence to be shortened or dropped. If a drug addicted felon does not have more than 2 years of prison and if he can prove that he is already in drug therapy, his sentence would not have to be served fully. Participation in therapy at an institution recognized by the state can count toward the sentence; the rest of the sentence can be served on probation. [Text] [West Berlin DER TAGESSPIEGEL in German 27 German 81 p 6]

DRUG SALE ESTIMATES--Bonn, 6 July--Experts estimate that annually 2 to 3 tons of heroin are brought to and consumed in the FRG. State Secretary Guenter Hartkopf of the Federal Ministry of the Interior stated this number in a response--now published--to a questionnaire of the CDU/CSU representative Manfred Langner. A study by Prof A. Kreuzer (Giessen), commissioned by the Federal Government, confirmed this quantity, said Hartkopf. The basis for this computation was the number of heroin addicts with an average daily dose of 100 mg of heroin; times of voluntary or involuntary withdrawal and insufficient supply were taken into account. The so-called final consumption amount is estimated at DM 650 to 900 million. This number was computed on the basis of the average price of heroin offered on the street--about DM 300 per gram. Last year 267 kg of heroin were secured--9 to 12 percent of the estimated amount that is consumed in the FRG. [Text] [Frankfurt/Main FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE in German 7 Jul 81 p 7] 9232

HEROIN CONFISCATED--Berlin, 17 Aug (DPA)--Officials of the police customs joint narcotics investigation unit confiscated 2 kg of heroin and detained two Germans and three Turkish dealers in another strike against the Berlin narcotics scene. Warrants were issued for their arrest. The police today put the wholesale value of the heroin at DM240,000. The officials last Thursday found 1.2 kg of heroin in the home of one of the Turks and another 600 grams in his car. The other Turk and the two Germans each had 50 grams on them. The four men confessed to having stolen the heroin from the third Turk who was also detained stated the police. Last week, the officials made the biggest heroin find to date in Berlin of 4.1 kg. This year the city's police so far confiscated a total of 12 kg of heroin. The figure for 1980 was 17 kg. [Text] [Hamburg DPA in German 1444 GMT 17 Aug 81]

FINLAND

NARCOTICS SCARCITY RESULTS IN INCREASED PHARMACY THEFTS

Helsinki UUSI SUOMI in Finnish 22 Jul 81 p 3

[Article: "Another Attempt in Helsinki, Drug Shortage Increases Pharmacy Thefts"]

[Text] On Tuesday the Helsinki Criminal Police arrested and jailed a 24-year old construction worker, who broke into the Carelia Pharmacy in Helsinki a week ago. This was the second pharmacy theft in Helsinki within a month's time.

"There is a crying shortage of drugs on the market," stated the police in explaining the increase in thefts.

The construction worker in question stole several thousand various types of tranquilizers and approximately 3,000 pills containing narcotics from the pharmacy.

He managed to consume several of the pills before he was apprehended. The police caught the thief red-handed and also confiscated all the pills he had managed to steal.

A little less than a month ago thieves broke into a pharmacy in Lauttasaari and at that time also the police were successful in immediately apprehending the individuals.

"A Crying Shortage"

Even though it is premature to draw any conclusions from only two thefts, they do, however, in the opinion of the police indicate that there is a severe shortage of narcotics.

"This is, on the other hand, a result of what we have accomplished in the last year and a half," states Inspector Torsti Koskinen of the Narcotics Section of the Helsinki Criminal Police.

In the current year the narcotics police have succeeded in breaking up extensive cocaine and heroin rings in Helsinki.

"The confiscation of hashish in Spain last March, however, has had a most decisive effect on the drug situation.

"The Spanish police confiscated more than 20 kilos of hashish, which was supposed

to have been smuggled into Finland," stated Koskinen.

Last year the narcotics police disclosed a large narcotics case in Paukarlahti, confiscated approximately 1 kilo of hashish at the end of the year, and Dolorex was taken off the market. This has all resulted in the fact that there is a severe shortage of drugs on the street market.

"The situation will remain peaceful for this year and perhaps next year as long as the money men are in jail.

"However, the drug problem will worsen just as soon as they are able to re-establish their organization."

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GREECE

BRIEFS

TURKS CAUGHT WITH HEROIN--Salonica, 12 Aug--Yesterday shortly after entering Greece a family gang trafficking in heroin was arrested with 7.3 kilograms of the hard drug. The members of the gang are: 63-year-old Memet Housein Karasi, a Turkish farmer; his 37-year-old son Ismet Touyouzoul, a laborer in FRG; and his 33-year-old daughter, Netzila Seitoglou, a laborer. According to police source information the three members of the gang were in a private passenger car with German plates transporting the above quantity of heroin well hidden in the spare tire. They planned to sell it in Stuttgart for DM50,000 (1.2 million drachmas). The vehicle with the Turks was stopped by police agents at the Kipon customs checkpoint after it had entered our country. But a search failed to turn up the heroin. Still, the customs agents were suspicious and they had data that led them to contact the police departments of Komotini and Zanthi to follow the car. En route to Zanthi there were no indications of anything suspicious. Outside of Zanthi, however, near Varamaika, there was a slip-up. Touyouzoul opened up the trunk and checked the spare tire. This made the police tailing the car suspicious and they made them stop for a fresh search. Sure enough, on opening the inner tube of the spare tire they discovered the heroin. The occupants of the vehicle were brought before the D.A. If marketed in Greece the same amount of heroin would be valued at more than 10 million drachmas. [Text] [Athens ELEVTHEROTYPIA in Greek 12 Aug 81 p 3]

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ITALY

OFFICIALS SEIZE HASH BOAT

AU261618 Rome ANSA in English 1530 GMT 26 Aug 81

[Text] Bari, southern Italy, 26 Aug (ANSA)--The 33 quintals (over 36 tons) of hashish seized Tuesday aboard the Lebanese motor vessel, Lucas Sky, moored in this Adriatic port city, were earmarked for the Dutch, West German and French markets, port authorities reported today. They also disclosed that along with the huge cargo of hashish, one hundred liters of hashish oil was found by customs police searching the holds of the ship.

The value of the illegal cargo was put at some 25 million dollars and investigators speculated that these earnings would have been used to pay for weapons for a European terrorist organization.

Police and magistrates here were reportedly convinced that the Lucas Sky, sailing under another name, was the ship which unloaded the Soviet-made rocket launchers at another Adriatic port two years ago found in the possession of a leader of the ultra-leftwing Autonomia Operaia (Workers' Autonomy), Daniele Pifano.

According to the initial investigation into the movements of the ship, the Lucas Sky developed motor trouble in the Otranto Channel, between Italy and Albania, and the captain abandoned ship aboard a lifeboat after instructing the Italian first mate to radio for a tug to tow the vessel to the port of Bari.

Earlier this week, customs police turned up a number of irregularities including a Spanish flag flown by the vessel of Lebanese registry when the ship was underway, and incomplete identification documents for the six members of the crew. Police confirmed today that these crewmen were under arrest and identified them as Moussa Malko Moussa, 25 years old, and two more Lebanese nationals, 31 year-old Youssef Hanna Fouad and 24-year-old Georges Boutros Sanir, Turkish national Jellou Daoud, 55, and two Italians, Diego Superina, 24, and Giuseppe Savino, 32.

The thirty-three quintals of hashish were wrapped in waterproof packages and were apparently prepared for shipment so that the packages could be tossed into the sea, if the need arose, and later recovered.

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NORWAY

BRIEFS

PAKISTANI SHIP DUMPED HASHISH--The captain of the Pakistani grain carrier Makran, which arrived in Stavanger, Tuesday, dumped 144 kilograms of hashish overboard before the ship arrived in the Norwegian oil port directly from Karachi in Pakistan, says acting customs district chief Olav Skaden in Stavanger to NTB. The hashish would have had a value of an estimated 15 million kroner in street sales in Norway, and it is possible that more hashish is hidden aboard the vessel. Skaden states that the captain himself reported the dumping of the large amount of hashish when customs inspectors boarded the vessel Tuesday, and that there is no reason to doubt the captain's word. The captain has said that after the ship left Karachi he received a tip to the effect that large amounts of hashish might be hidden aboard, and that together with the ship's other officers he made two searches of the vessel. At first, 109 kilograms of hashish were found under a locker in the crew mess. This was dumped as the ship passed Aden in the Red Sea. An additional 35 kilograms was found when the ship entered the English Channel. This hashish, as well, was dumped overboard. According to what NTB has learned, the entire crew was summoned on deck and witnessed the hashish being dumped. This was probably a bitter pill to swallow for those in the crew involved in the smuggling attempt. According to the captain the reason for the dumping was that he did not feel safe with hashish worth that much aboard the ship. [Text] [Oslo AFTENPOSTEN in Norwegian 6 Aug 81 p 9] 11,256

RECORD AMOUNT OF HASHISH SEIZED--Customs authorities have confiscated a number of large amounts of hashish in July. "A total of 8.3 kilograms have been found, and four of the confiscations were relatively large. Aside from the previous month of this year, when single large amounts increased statistics, this is one of the largest ever of seizures. This may be due to the fact that we put our crews on overtime," says Vidar Vestereng of the customs directorate to NTB. It began with seizure of 2 kilograms of hashish aboard a Pakistani grain carrier in Stavanger on 6 July. A Belgian woman was stopped with 3.5 kilograms of hashish in her suitcase at Fornebu airport on 23 July, and 4 days later a British seaman was arrested with 1.1 kilograms of hashish in his possession when he went ashore from a Norwegian ship in Oslo. The last great hashish seizure was made in Kristiansand on 28 July, when a Danish citizen stopped when he went ashore from a ferry with 1 kilogram of hashish taped to his leg. Also seized in July were 8.5 grams of heroin, 7 grams of marijuana, and 103.5 grams of amphetamines. [Text] [Oslo AFTENPOSTEN in Norwegian 6 Aug 81 p 9] 11,256

TWO NARCOTICS OVERDOSE DEATHS--A young boy was found dead in an apartment at Stover Wednesday. Everything indicates that the cause of death was a drug overdose. The boy was known to the police for his contact with the Oslo drug environment. This was the second death this week related to narcotics. Monday, a 20-year-old man was found dead in an apartment at Oppsal, evidently also the result of an overdose. [Text] [Oslo AFTENPOSTEN in Norwegian 23 Jul 81 p 4] 11,256

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TURKEY

BRIEFS

HASHISH SEIZURE--Rugs and tin worth 20 million lira and 200 kilos of hashish were seized while being smuggled into Turkey from Iran and Syria guards patrolling Gaziantep's Akcakoyunlu border region went into action upon observing signalling lights in the Syrian sector and seized 200 kilos of hashish which the smugglers were obliged to abandon. Meanwhile, Kocaeli Security Directorate teams discovered 20 million lira worth of lead and rugs during a search of a tanker truck-license 16-EE-825. Eight members of the smuggling ring were apprehended. [Text] [Istanbul TERCUMAN in Turkish 7 Aug 81 p 14]

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UNITED KINGDOM

PRISON SENTENCES ON MURDER, DRUGS CHARGES

London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 16 Jul 81 p 3

[Article by Stanley Goldsmith]

[Text]

ALLEXANDER JAMES SINCLAIR, who murdered his partner in an international drugs syndicate, was jailed for life yesterday with a recommendation that he serve at least 20 years.

At the end of the 123-day "Handless Corpse" trial at Lancaster Castle, Mrs Justice HEILBRON handed out five life sentences for the murder of flamboyant drugs racketeer Marty Johnstone.

The body of Johnstone, 27, known as "Mr Asia," was found, handless and mutilated, in Delph Quarry, Chorley, in October, 1979.

On Sinclair's orders, he had been shot in the head by ANDREW MAHER, his friend who "turned Judas" and who was also jailed for life.

Prison sentences were also imposed on Sinclair and eight others for drugs conspiracy convictions.

Sinclair was jailed for a total of 17 years, to run concurrent with the life sentence, on two drugs charges but as he was about to leave the court, the judge told him she could see no reason why this country should have to bear all the prosecution costs.

'Deep-frozen' wealth

"On your own admission, you are an immensely wealthy man, I understand—give or take a million or two—you are worth

at least £25 million, most of it from your nefarious drugs operations," she said.

"Your great wealth may be 'deep-frozen' by the Australian Government but steps will be taken to see if some of it can be unfrozen sufficiently for you to pay the sum of £1 million towards the cost of your prosecution."

Earlier, Sinclair, 36, a fair-haired New Zealander, had stood motionless, arms folded, as the judge told him: "You are a ruthless and dangerous man who pursued an evil trade, and you have been convicted by the jury on overwhelming evidence of being a mastermind behind this most terrible drug syndicate."

"Trafficking in heroin, cocaine and cannabis—it mattered not, so long as those drugs showed huge profits.

"You and others pedalled misery and death, and that syndicate or some of its members with you as its head, moved to this country and began operations intending to make vast fortunes for its members."

Cocaine deal

"You imported, you conspired to import, you conspired to supply."

She said Sinclair paid "out of his many millions" for a cocaine deal which fell not far short of £150,000. No one would know the profit from that deal.

"In your own words, once this country was fully organised, you could have been getting at least nine million a year," she said. "The misery and deaths your organisation would have created in this country if you had not been stopped are quite frightening."

But to you, living in the lap of luxury, it was business—big business, well-organised business. It made money and money meant everything to you. It bought everything for you.

"You ran a vast empire which had moved half across the world, but it all ended for you here in a small lake in a small Lancashire town in a way which you never, ever, anticipated and which all your enormous, shrewd and careful organising could not prevent."

'In the way'

Turning to the murder, the judge said: "It is apparent that you had no more time for Johnstone, your erstwhile friend and ex-business associate. He was now standing in the way of the success of your continued and increasingly profitable operations."

"He had cheated you or other syndicate members, or so you thought, and he was completely dispensable."

"He had to be got rid of. He had to be killed — and you organised and ordained that terrible murder. You master-minded it — of that there can be no doubt whatever."

As Sinclair was led away to start his sentence, he was smiling and winked at his friends in court.

The judge paid tribute to the police in their handling of the case and thanked them for their vigilance in mounting the massive security operation at Lancaster Castle.

Det. Supt. Ray Rimmer, deputy head of Lancashire C.C.D., who led the hunt for the syndicate, received the judge's "highest commendation." She said he and his team deserved the greatest praise for the "brilliant, painstaking and successful investigation."

She said: "Nobody should under-estimate the tremendous scope of the worldwide inquiry which resulted in the conviction of nine members of an organisation whose activities were a menace to this country and might have caused untold misery here."

After Sinclair had been dealt with, Mrs Justice Heilbron turned to the other prisoners who were led into court one by one.

Maier, 27, of Robin Hey, Leyland, Lancs., was "a cold-blooded killer" who should also serve at least 20 years, the judge recommended.

He had carried out the "chilling" murder to every last gruesome detail of butchery to try to prevent identification, she said.

Life sentences

Maier was also sentenced to two terms of 14 years concurrent imprisonment on drugs charges.

Three other men were sentenced to life imprisonment with no minimum recommendation. They were JAMES SMITH, 29, of Durward Rise, Livingston, West Lothian, WILLIAM KIRBY, 28, of Daisy Meadow, Clayton Brook, Preston, and FREDERICK RUSSELL, 40, of Briar Close, Finchley, London.

Smith also received two concurrent sentences of eight years each on the drugs charges. Kirby, who "took pride in perfecting false suitcases" received two concurrent 10-year terms, and Russell, a "very influential" syndicate member, two concurrent 14-year terms.

Russell's common law wife, LEILA BARCLAY, 49, said by the judge to be "a greedy, ruthless and wicked woman," was sentenced to two concurrent terms of 13 years on the drugs charges.

Costs riders

The judge ordered Russell to pay £20,000 towards the prosecution costs. Maier £10,000 and Barclay £5,000.

On other drugs charges ERROL HINCKMAN, 32, of High Road, Leyton, Sinclair's lieutenant, was given two concurrent terms of 10 years.

Two other men each received two concurrent five-year sentences. CHRISTOPHER BLACKMAN, 37, of Princess Road, Regent's Park, a drugs courier, and SYLVESTER PIGEON, 42, also of High Road, Leyton, "a lesser but necessary cog" who did useful services for Sinclair.

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UNITED KINGDOM

DRUGS DEALER SENTENCED TO SIX YEARS

London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 24 Jul 81 p 3

[Text]

A KEY figure in an international drugs organisation which smuggled £22 million worth of Moroccan cannabis and £12 million of South American cocaine into Britain was jailed for six years at Lewes crown court yesterday.

PAUL JOSEPH PARKER, 37, a builder, of Coast Road, Pevensey Bay, Sussex, admitted 70 charges of conspiring to smuggle or to supply drugs over the past nine years.

He was one of 26 people arrested in March when detectives raided addresses in London, Kent, Sussex and Cornwall, in "Operation Bentley."

Twenty-four of them pleaded not guilty to drug offences at Lewes yesterday and were remanded to await trial. Parker is likely to be the chief prosecution witness.

Evil traffic

Jailing him for playing a leading part in an "evil traffic" Judge JOHN GOWER, QC, ordered him to forfeit £146,000 found at his home and his three cars, a Jaguar, a BMW, and a Alfa Romeo.

Mr HUBERT DUNN, prosecuting said Parker had admitted that some drugs came in via the Moroccan diplomatic bag, some were brought in by Parker aboard a hired yacht he sailed from France, and consignments flown into Heathrow airport from Lisbon were smuggled through with the help of bribed loaders.

Cocaine was rushed through customs at Brussels by a team of Bolivian pickpockets whose method was to storm the "Nothing to Declare" barrier. Couriers, including an elderly man disguised as a priest, brought cocaine from Peru strapped to their bodies.

Judge GOWER told Parker he had taken into consideration the fact that towards the end he had become disgusted by what he was doing. And he had put himself at considerable risk by giving information to the police.

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UNITED KINGDOM

TWELVE HELD IN HEROIN SEIZURE

Heroin in Gas Tank

London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 3 Aug 81 p 3

[Article by T. A. Sandrock]

[Text]

A BRITISH couple and 10 Turks are being questioned by customs investigators about high grade heroin with a street value of £5 million seized at the weekend.

The Britons—said to be husband and wife from Royston, Herts—were detained late on Friday after a Volkswagen motor caravan was stopped at Dover.

An examination of the vehicle showed metal containers holding about 22lb of the heroin inside the petrol tank.

The caravan had been out of Britain for about three weeks and travelled on its return journey from Turkey.

Operation Elvis

A man, two women and five children who were with the vehicle were initially detained but one woman and the children were later released.

The Turks, three women and seven men, were arrested in London at the weekend following raids in Greenwich, Clapham, Wood Green and Wembley. Customs officers who made these arrests seized another 4½lb of heroin.

The arrests follow an undercover investigation codenamed Operation Elvis which has been going on for more than two months.

Investigators were acting on information that pure heroin would be smuggled from Turkey, probably by a group posing as holidaymakers.

Three Remanded

London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 4 Aug 81 p 3

[Text] Three people, including a husband and wife, charged with importing 22lb of heroin through Dover port at the weekend, were remanded in custody yesterday for a week by Dover magistrates.

Accused are Roy Adams, 35, a carpenter, of Houseman Avenue, Royston, Herts, and his wife Joan, 35, parents of five children, and Sinan Cemal, 44, a self-employed caterer, of Clifton Avenue, Wembley.

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UNITED KINGDOM

SENTENCES IMPOSED FOR SMUGGLING CANNABIS BY MAIL

London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 15 Jul 81 p 3

[Text]

WYNFORD Vaughan-Thomas, the writer and broadcaster, stood by his son yesterday after he had admitted his part in a drugs ring smuggling cannabis by post.

DAVID VAUGHAN-THOMAS, 31, a film director, was given a nine-month suspended prison sentence and fined £150 at Knightsbridge Crown Court.

After the hearing, his father said: "He is my son, he is not a criminal. I am very glad David is free, it was a very small matter. He was just helping out a friend without thinking of the consequences."

David was described as a "fool not a rogue" by Mr JEREMY CARRAD, his employer, for his involvement with a gang smuggling cannabis resin from India.

His home in Goodeve Park, Bristol, was used as a post box for five drugs parcels and he was paid about £500.

Financial trouble

Also in the dock was EMMA GOUGH, 27, of Randolph Crescent, Maida Vale, daughter of Michael Gough, the actor. She

had admitted a smuggling charge and also received a nine-month suspended sentence and a £150 fine.

Her father said to the court: "I knew she was in financial trouble before this offence arose. I asked her if I could help. I'm not a man of phenomenal means but I felt she was in need of a bit of help." But she refused the offer.

Mr PETER BUTTERBURY, prosecuting, said Customs officials believed the gang imported cannabis worth £45,000 by hiding it in the pages of books which were posted to Britain.

The two ringleaders travelled to India regularly on business and they were the organisers of the scheme. They were SAMMY RIDLEY, 44, a house restorer, of Randolph Avenue, Maida Vale, and PATRICK GRAHAM, 42, a furniture designer, of The Green, Freeland, Oxford. Both were jailed for 2½ years.

Six other members of the gang admitted drug smuggling. One was jailed for six months and the others received suspended sentences and fines.

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UNITED KINGDOM

BRIEFS

BAIL FORFEITED--A 50,000-pound bail deposit, left with solicitors by a company director on a drugs conspiracy charge, was ordered to be forfeited yesterday when he failed to appear before the Horseferry Road magistrates. Muhamed Ashraf, 46, a Pakistani, who had given an address at Grove Court, Grove End Road, St Johns Wood, had apparently left the country on June 29 and returned to Pakistan, said police. [Text] [London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 18 Jul 81 p 3]

CANNABIS SEIZED--In an operation codenamed "The Tempest" customs officers and police seized more than a ton of cannabis with a street value of 1,250,000 pounds, during raids in Hampshire, London and Surrey yesterday. Last night ten people were helping with inquiries at various police stations. Further arrests are expected later. [Text] [London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 22 Jul 81 p 4]

DRUGS SUPPLIER JAILED--A tailor became a big-time operator in a drug smuggling racket and handled cocaine worth over 256,000 pounds, it was stated at the Old Bailey yesterday. Detectives found his second consignment worth 128,000 pounds hidden inside a pillow when they searched his bed after a tip off. James West, 37, of Primrose Gardens, Hampstead, pleaded guilty to conspiring to supply the drug and was jailed for six years. Mr Recorder Gray, QC, told him: "Young people have the hooks of addiction driven deep by the likes of you in this satanic commerce. As a wholesaler in drugs you cannot expect a retailer's punishment." [Text] [London THE DAILY TELEGRAPH in English 11 Aug 81 p 3]

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