The Central Narcotics Bureau of Singapore

National ATS situations and responses to the threat

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Scope of Presentation

- Singapore Drug and ATS Situation
- West African Criminal Network
- CNB’s Anti-drug Activities
Singapore Drug Situation
(2008 & 2009)

Total Drug Abusers arrested in 2008
Total Drug Abusers arrested in 2009

New Drug Abusers arrested in 2008
New Drug Abusers arrested in 2009

Other Drugs
Heroin
Cananbis
'Ecstasy'
Methamphetamine
Persons arrested for ATS offences (2008 & 2009)


CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU
A MEMBER OF THE HOME TEAM
Price of ATS in Singapore
(2008 & 2009)

- "Ice" (per gram): 350
- Yaba (per tablet): 30, 10
- Ecstasy (tab): 30, 30

Price of ATS in Singapore (2008 & 2009)
ATS Seizure in Singapore (2008 & 2009)

- "Ice" (grams): 1,837
- Meth (tablets): 1,135
- Ecstasy (tablets): 7,000
WACN in Singapore: CNB’s Observations

- Do not maintain a rigid structure, thus they are very fluid in their activities

- These syndicates are not likely to practise exclusivity. For example, their couriers may be called upon to provide courier services to any group needing the service

- The flexibility offered by such a fluid operation is such that these syndicates can make almost impromptu arrangements. Does not need elaborate planning and coordination.
WACN in Singapore: CNB’s Strategies

- Operations to smash the syndicates
  - Joint operations overseas and operations locally
- Cooperation with foreign counterparts
  - To gather intelligence
- Monitoring of activities in Singapore and beyond
- Engaging media to educate public
  - Raise public awareness
News articles published in the papers

Blinded by love and greed

Despite repeated warning signals, drug mule continued her life of crime

BY TEO JIOO LIN

VHZN she found out she had been selling drugs instead of clothes samples to China, Mary felt her world came crashing down. She was arrested and deported back to Singapore, disappointed that her boyfriend had let her down. She was supposed to make money for him but instead ended up in debt.

Mary’s boyfriend, who also uses drugs, was charged with drug possession and sentenced to 2 years in prison. Mary, who was pregnant when she was arrested, was charged with drug-related offenses and faced a maximum sentence of 14 years in prison.

In the weeks leading up to her trial, Mary was haunted by memories of her love life and her drug-addicted boyfriend. She said she had no idea what to do and felt her life was over.

But she was determined to keep going and to take control of her life. She said she was going to try to get clean and start a new life for herself.

“I didn’t think I could survive without him,” she said. “I thought I was going to die.”

In the end, she was found guilty of drug-related offenses and was sentenced to 10 years in prison. She was also ordered to pay a large fine.

Drug mules: S’pore won

12 arrested in 4 months; CNB against being fooled by foreigners

BY TEO JIOO LIN

In just four months, 12 Singapore women have been found guilty of smuggling drugs after they were仅仅是用来吸引读者的，而不是真实事件的描述。
Operation Obsidian

Series of joint operations with:
- Narcotics Crime Investigation Department (NCID) of Malaysia
- Office of Narcotics Control Board (ONCB) of Thailand
- National Intelligence Services (NIS) of South Korea

African drug syndicate based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with a ‘courier recruiting’ branch in Singapore

Operation Obsidian III on 04 Mar 2009
- Female Singaporean coordinator and male African drug packer arrested
- 750 grams of methamphetamine seized

Success factors
WACN in Singapore: Challenges for CNB

- The syndicates are constantly evolving. They will continue to recruit drug couriers in furtherance of their drug trafficking activities.

- With the Internet, these West Africans need not physically be in Singapore to carry out their recruiting activities.

- Cooperation with foreign counterparts, and public awareness, is important.
Preventive Drug Education Activities

- Postcards and leaflets
Preventive Drug Education Activities

- 3D Animations and Docu-dramas on the dangers of ‘Ecstasy’ and ‘Ice’
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