

Airport Communication Project



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INTERCOPS - AIRCOP REGIONAL TRAINING FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

From 11 to 22 March 2019, a regional training, led by INTERCOPS (the Brazilian Federal Police), took place at Guarulhos International Airport in Sao Paulo, Brazil. All AIRCOP task forces from Latin America and the Caribbean attended this training on the interdiction of international drug trafficking. On this occasion, good practices on criminal investigation at international airports were shared. The cooperation with INTERCOPS demonstrated once again the importance of partners in the capacity building of AIRCOP officers.

WILDLIFE



PARROTS TRAFFICKING IN WEST AFRICA

On 15 March 2019, the JAITF of Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, intercepted a passenger travelling to Algeria, carrying a dozen of parrots. These parrots left Senegal by land to Burkina Faso through Mali, with final destination Algeria by air. Following this interception, the National Police carried out a search at the trafficker's place which led to the discovery of numerous parrots from various protected species from Gabon.

KEY SEIZURES BY JOINT AIRPORT INTERDICTION TASK FORCES (JAITFS)

Date: 8 March 2019



Place: Douala, Cameroon

Seizure: 3,8 kg of heroin

Detection tool: Spectrometer

Route: Malawi - Cameroon

Concealment: Double bottom of luggage

Interception: 2 persons

Date: 5 March 2019



Place: Bridgetown, Barbados

Seizure: 3 firearms & 434 ammunitions

Concealment: Microwave

Modus Operandi: DHL parcels

Route: United States of America - Barbados

Date: 5 March 2019



Place: Punta Cana, Dominican Republic

Seizure: 7,84 kg of ecstasy

Concealment: Double bottom of luggage

Modus Operandi: DHL parcels

Route: Belgium - Dominican Republic

INTEGRITY IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

JAITFs

Efficiency



FIRST AIRCOP POLYGRAPH TEST

From 17 to 22 March 2019, the first polygraph test was conducted at the JAITF of Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. This test was led by two experts of the "Truth Verification Section" of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) on 12 members of the JAITF including 8 members of the "intelligence cell". Integrity within law enforcement is one of the priorities of AIRCOP, as this supports fair treatment of passengers, more efficient controls and improves trustworthiness of the general public.



WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

From 11 to 13 March 2019, AIRCOP conducted, in collaboration with the Spanish Guardia Civil and the Royal Netherlands Marechaussee, a training on behavioral detection at Mohammed V International Airport in Casablanca, Morocco. This training was attended by 16 participants among which 6 were women. AIRCOP supports the promotion of women within JAITFs, integrates a gender perspective in trainings and modules and aims at creating a positive and safe work environment for women within task forces. So far, 490 women have been trained at international airports.