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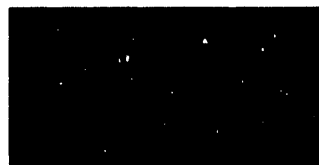
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AUSTRALIA

WEST AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY DEBATES DRUG POLICY

Marihuana Legalization Questioned

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 9 Feb 79 pp 1,4

[Text] The ALP decision favouring legalisation of marihuana seems certain to be referred to a special State conference of the party.

Labor members opposed to the decision were confident of this outcome yesterday as demands mounted within the party for the decision to be overturned.

The decision which was made by the State executive on Monday, will be reconsidered by the executive on February 19, on the eve of a meeting of the State Parliamentary Labor Party.

Action at this meeting could head off a move in the Labor caucus to seek a review of the marihuana decision.

The Labor MLA for Morley, Mr A. R. Tonkin, is expected to move in caucus that the SPLP ask the State executive to call a special State conference to review the marihuana decision if events do not overtake his proposal.

In developments yesterday:

• The ALP's administrative committee met to

consider the marihuana controversy.

• A former Labor premier, Mr John Tonkin, said that he would fight to have the policy dropped.

**Statement**

The ALP's assistant State secretary, Mr G. Hill, issued a four-paragraph statement after yesterday's administrative committee meeting.

It said that the Government had ignored an inhuman and cruel situation which had caused many people to be treated harshly because of the high penalties imposed for personal use of the drug.

Its inaction on the question of marihuana had allowed the development of grant breaches of the law and blatant profiteering by drug traffickers dealing in marihuana.

who would progress to harder drugs.

This statement said that action by a major political party in courageously dealing with the problem was long overdue.

The decision taken at the last meeting of the State executive would be further considered at the next meeting.

Members of the administrative committee, including the Opposition Leader, Mr Davies, would not elaborate on discussions at yesterday's meeting.

But the statement was in line with a motion put by Mr Davies to the last State executive meeting.

Mr Davies's motion, which was defeated, called for a substantial reduction in penalties for the use and possession of marihuana for personal use.

It also proposed that a State Labor government would break the nexus between the supply of "soft" and "hard" drugs.

Mr John Tonkin, now 71, came out yesterday in bitter opposition to legalising marihuana.

He said he was so distressed by the move that he would address the next meeting of the Melville branch of the party on Monday night in a bid to have the branch take action.

Mr Tonkin said his first reaction on hearing of the policy change was that he would resign his life membership of the party, but he had decided that this would be a cowardly approach.

He would rather stay in the party and join the fight to have the policy dropped.

Mr Tonkin said that the policy to legalise the use of marihuana was misguided and did not reflect the aims of the Labor Party.

It could do great harm in the community, particularly to young people

"To legalise marihuana is to confer upon it a respectability which will be an inducement to people who might otherwise not be interested in trying it out," he said.

Mr Tonkin said it would be far better to point out to young people the errors of their ways, to make them aware of the dangers involved.

He refused to believe that the party in which he had held such faith for so many years would not ultimately triumph over this mistake.

He was critical of State executive members who did not attend the meeting at which the marihuana policy was adopted. He said they had had a responsibility to attend all meetings.

[Only 72 of the 158 executive members attended the meeting.]

The endorsed Labor candidate for the State seat of Kalgoorlie, Mr Ted Evans yesterday reiterated his opposition to the legalisation of marihuana use, but added that he believed the issue was being blown up out of proportion.

Decision Termed 'Ill-Conceived'

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 9 Feb 79 p 6

[Editorial: "Self-Torture"]

[Text]

Sadly for the ALP, a bout of self-torture was an inescapable sequel to its State executive decision favouring the legalisation of marihuana. What a capacity this party has for tearing itself apart in public. The current strife is all the more unfortunate for the fact that it has been so needlessly generated.

Marihuana—its legalisation, decriminalisation or banning—is an issue that still clearly eludes definition in a policy that would be acceptable to a party as broadly based as the ALP. Why then, at this stage, should the party want to bind itself to something so far ahead of public opinion and, indeed, ahead of the views of so many of its own members?

It is puzzling, in the first place, why such a decision—if it had to be made at all—should have been left over from a State conference for determination by the executive. On such a controversial issue, which, like abortion, suggests itself strongly as a matter of conscience, the vote should have involved as many members as possible.

As it happened, only 72 of a total executive membership of 158 were present when the controversial vote was taken. Others must have known that the matter was in hand because it had been discussed at previous executive meetings. It is hard to escape the conclusion that many were not prepared to commit themselves.

In a practical sense, the decision appears ill-conceived as well. If anything were to come of the recommendation in the form of legislation by a future Labor State government, it could create an untenable state of affairs from a Commonwealth point of view. It is probable, of course, that those who supported the recommendation were not seriously considering this remote prospect but were simply seeking to focus public attention on what they consider to be a totally unsatisfactory situation at present. If so, their goal has merit because the issue demands continued public consideration. But it seems a poorly-conceived and highly damaging way of going about it.

Whatever the correct interpretation of the vote, the ALP has been labelled as a party that would legalise marihuana if it came to power. Electorally, it cannot afford to live with this tag. The recantation process may be painful but it has to be faced.

Evidence Against Marihuana Cited

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 21 Feb 79 p 6

[Editorial: "Pot Decision"]

[Text]

The State executive of the Australian Labor Party has been forced inevitably to review a decision it made earlier this month to endorse a branch motion for legalisation of marihuana.

The storm the party brought on its head with what one of its former ministers described as a "trendies" decision was to be expected, and Labor will now go through the formalities of a special State conference to abort a decision that should not have been made.

Against all the arguments for legalisation of marihuana in terms of civil liberty there is mounting medical evidence that the drug is harmful. Yet the supporters of legalisation are willing to ignore those real risks, while at the same time shying away from other supposed risks to the community, notably in nuclear energy.

We already have serious problems with alcohol and tobacco. It may be that marihuana is no worse than either of them. But that is not a reason for hammering yet another legal nail into the communal coffin.

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AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN OFFICIALS DISCUSS PRESCRIPTION SAFEGUARDS

Report to Royal Commission

Brisbane THE COURIER MAIL in English 22 Feb 79 p 10

[Text] A disturbing quantity of drugs was obtained in Australia each year on forged prescriptions, the Federal drugs Royal Commission was told in Brisbane yesterday.

The Federal Health Department drugs of dependence section acting director (Mr. Conrad Mackenzie) told the inquiry of special prescription forms which could solve the problem.

Mr. C. E. K. Hampson, Q.C. (assisting the commission), said people whose illegal supplies of drugs had dried up could continue to support their habits using substitutes obtained on forged prescriptions.

Mr. Mackenzie said this

way no way of assessing the number of forgeries but their were to be disturbing. They would drop dramatically if there was a more secure system of prescribing drugs of dependence such as narcotics.

A pilot study in Western Australia, using colored, serialised prescription pads for drugs of dependence, had met gratifying results. Forgeries were non-existent.

The inquiry will continue today.

Color Coding Planned

Canberra THE AUSTRALIAN in English 28 Feb 79 p 4

[Text]

AUSTRALIAN medical authorities are planning a crackdown on the use of forged prescriptions to obtain drugs.

Under the plan, prescriptions for drugs of addiction would be printed in different colors or with serial numbers.

This would prevent other prescriptions being altered by drug addicts and make it easier for stolen prescriptions to be tracked down.

The Minister for Health, Mr. Hunt, said yesterday the Government had been concerned for some time about the increasing incidence of forged prescriptions for addictive drugs.

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INTELLIGENCE, NARCOTICS AGENCIES TO GET WIDER POWERS

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[Text] Wider powers are to be given to the Australian Security Intelligence Organization, ASIO, under legislation introduced to Federal Parliament today. Under the new act, ASIO and the Federal Narcotics Bureau will be able to monitor telephones, telegrams, telex messages and any other form of communication. ASIO agents will also be able to open mail, install and operate listening devices and carry out searches. All this (?being done) only on the issue of a warrant by the attorney general, and the bill says he must be satisfied that such action is necessary. The bill also gives ASIO wide freedom to counter subversion and terrorism. There will also be a right of appeal for anyone who is subject to an adverse ASIO report. While ASIO will be under the direction of the attorney general, the minister will have no special powers to inspect the organization's records, and it will be up to the director general of ASIO to decide what information is passed to the government. Radio Australia's political correspondent says the bill follows in most respects the 1977 report of Mr Justice Hope who recommended an overhaul of ASIO's powers and functions.

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STATISTICS ON DRUG USE IN AUSTRALIA TERMED INADEQUATE

Brisbane THE COURIER MAIL in English 21 Feb 79 p 7

[Text]

**LACK of adequate statistics made it impossible to estimate the extent of illegal drug use in Australia, the Federal Drugs Royal Commission heard in Brisbane yesterday.**

The Federal Health Department senior medical adviser on alcohol and drug dependence (Dr. Leslie Drew) said surveys had been made in different parts of the country, but they lacked uniformity and standardisation.

It was impossible to get a composite Australian picture from these results.

Police and Customs reports were of limited value because it was not known what percentage of illegal drugs coming into the country were seized.

Mr. C. E. K. Hampson, Q.C. (assisting the Commission) said some people estimated the

seizures represented 5 per cent of the total. Others said it was 20 per cent.

Dr. Drew said statistics on drug-related deaths would be a more useful indication of the extent of the drug problem if there was more co-ordination of coronial reports between the States.

Statistics on the incidence of serum hepatitis, which occurred predominantly in association with intravenous drug use, also could be used.

"The main problem is getting the co-operation of the authorities," Dr. Drew said.

The Inquiry will continue today.

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TEN APPEAR BEFORE BRISBANE MAGISTRATE ON DRUG CHARGES

Brisbane THE COURIER MAIL in English 23 Feb 79 p 10

[Excerpts] Seven men and three women faced a total of 33 drug charges in the Magistrate's Court yesterday following drug squad raids and work by an undercover policeman.

One man was jailed for six months for having possessed marihuana for sale and four other people were remanded in custody on heroin charges.

Jailed was Edwin Alfred Plant, 26, laborer, of Merthyr Street, New Farm.

He pleaded guilty before Mr. Cook, Senior S.M. to charges of having possessed marihuana for the purpose of sale and a utensil for smoking marihuana.

Mr. Cook refused bail for two people who faced eight joint charges involving heroin.

They are Alan Robert Marshall, 29, unemployed painter and docker, and Leith Davidson, 25, unemployed bar attendant, both of Charlotte Street, Paddington.

They entered no pleas to charges of having sold heroin on six days since February 13, and with having on Wednesday possessed heroin for sale and money from the sale of drugs.

Senior Sergeant Murdoch said the police case would be that Marshall and Davidson sold a gram of heroin to an undercover police officer on six separate occasions.

On Wednesday night, they allegedly sold him another 4 grams of heroin for \$520.



The couple fled by car when they were approached a short time later and it would be alleged they threw from the car a plastic container holding nine grams of heroin, Senior Sergeant Murdoch said.

Mr. Cook remanded Marshall and Davidson without bail to March 28 for hearing.

#### Hotel Raid

A raid by police at an Annerley hotel led to the appearance of Anne Louise Grennan, 20, housewife, and Gregory James Clarke, 26, rigger.

Both entered no pleas to charges of having possessed heroin for sale, having possessed a set of scales and other material for the preparation of heroin, and possession of a needle and a syringe for the administration of heroin.

Clarke also was charged with having sold heroin on Wednesday and with having possessed money from the sale of drugs.

Grennan was charged separately with heroin possession.

Senior Sergeant Murdoch said drug squad detectives searched a room at an Annerley motel and found white powder, scales, foil paper, a packet of glucodin, and two needles and syringes.

Clarke did not ask for bail and Mr. Cook refused Grennan's bail application.

Both were remanded in custody to March 9 for mention.

William Henry Plant, 24, laborer, of Merthyr Road, New Farm, was fined \$250 when he pleaded guilty to having possessed marihuana on Wednesday.

Dereck Michael Brian Savage, 22, salesman of Locke Street, New Farm, was fined \$400 for marihuana possession after his arrest in the raid at Plant's flat.

Another young woman arrested there was remanded on \$200 self bail on a charge of having possessed a needle and syringe for heroin.

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TWO PERTH MEN JAILED FOR DRUG RAID ON HOSPITAL

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 9 Feb 79 p 9

[Excerpt]

A 35-year-old man who threatened a nursing sister with a knife and tied and gagged her before leaving a Mt Lawley hospital with drugs and money was sentenced yesterday to five years' gaol.

Mr Justice Smith said in the Supreme Court that Hendrickus Paulus Van Doren had admitted planning the hold-up to steal drugs for his own use.

Van Doren's partner in the crime, Michael Buster Brand (20), was sentenced to four years' gaol.

Both had earlier pleaded guilty. They must serve 21 years and 18 months' gaol respectively before they are eligible for parole.

The judge said that Van Doren and Brand, both formerly of Hill View Road, Mt Lawley, had gone to the Annersley Hospital on September 22 last year.

Van Doren had cut the tyres of a vehicle parked outside and, with pillow-cases over their heads, they had confronted the nursing sister in her main office.

DEMANDS

Van Doren had produced the knife and demanded drugs and money.

He had obtained 11 ampoules of pethidine, morphine and omnopon, a number of syringes and \$35.

Van Doren had cut the telephone cord and a heater cord, with which he tied the sister to a chair. He had gagged her with a bandage.

The judge said that Van Doren was not an addict, but was in the middle range of drug users, which meant that he had a need for drugs.

Brand had been a ready partner. It seemed, in a scheme for easy money. Apparently gaol already had a sobering influence on him.

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AUSTRALIA

PERTH'S MAJOR DRUG CENTER IN NEED OF FUNDS

Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 21 Feb 79 p 5

[Text]

A shortage of funds is forcing the closure of a West Perth alcohol and drug dependency centre that helps more than 1000 dependants and their families every month.

The director of the centre, Mr John Keating, said yesterday that he was seeking a meeting with the Minister for Health, Mr Young, to discuss the problem.

The Holyoak city centre is a non-profit organisation that caters mainly for the families of alcoholics and drug addicts and motivates addicts to try to overcome their problems.

Mr Keating said that about 20 per cent of the centre's operating funds, which last financial year amounted to about \$40,000, came from the WA Alcohol and Drug Authority.

**STAFF**

It worked with a staff of two full-time workers and one part-time worker and did not have the time or ability to become involved in fund-raising activities.

The organisation, which was controlled by a board of doctors, business men, nurses and clergymen, had approached the WAADA for support.

Mr Keating said: "But we were told that all this year's funds had been allocated and any additional funds for the centre would have to come from a special State Treasury allocation."

"Unless we get more funds we will be getting to stay afloat for the next month."

Mr Keating said that there would be a gap in the support facilities for the people whom the centre assisted if it was forced to close.

It was the only centre in Perth whose major aim was to help the families of alcoholics and addicts.

The funds were needed to cover rent, adminis-

trative costs and the salaries of paid workers. Volunteers also assisted at the centre.

The group had put out feelers for gifts and hoped to devise a plan at a board meeting to assist the centre.

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BRIEFS

MORPHINE ADDICT SENTENCED--Mark Richard Dickinson, 23-year-old unemployed salesman, of Gloster Street, Subiaco, was sentenced on 8 February to 4 years' imprisonment on charges of possessing and supplying morphine. Dickinson was charged with possession of 6 grams of morphine and with selling 400 milligrams of it in Perth in August 1978. The presiding judge said that Dickinson had been involved with drugs since 1974. He had been placed on probation then, but had breached it within a year and had since been convicted of a wide range of crimes associated with his drug addiction. The judge said that he accepted that the person to whom Dickinson sold the morphine was also an addict, and that Dickinson had bought the morphine in the first place to satisfy his own addiction and not to make money. These facts brought the crime into a lower order of gravity. [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 9 Feb 79 p 23]

MARIHUANA FARM RAIDED--Police from Newcastle, Cessnock and Muswellbrook converged on a farm near the village of Camberwell north of Singleton on 8 February and found marihuana worth about \$1.3 million. Marihuana plants, some more than 2 meters high, were growing in a 1 hectare plot, police said. More marihuana was found in a large machinery shed, some hanging on wires stretched across the iron shed. In Singleton Court of Petty Sessions on 9 February, Paul James Oliver, 28, farmer of Nadorney, Glennies Creek, via Singleton, his wife Jan, 24, and Warren Hugh Johns, 23, laborer of Warners Bay Road, Charlestown were each charged with possessing and cultivating Indian hemp. [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 10 Feb 79 p 1]

HEROIN TRAFFICKER SENTENCED--A drug trafficker who made \$2400 profit in 10 days by selling heroin capsules on the streets of St. Kilda was sentenced yesterday to six years' jail. Judge Read, in the County Court, said James Paul McCrystal was probably being supplied by some other trafficker. McCrystal, 28, of Pentridge prison, pleaded guilty to having trafficked heroin between May 20 and June 2 last year. Judge Read said McCrystal

admitted to selling 300 capsules in 10 days in St. Kilda. He sentenced McCrystal to six years jail, to serve a minimum of five years. He said the sentence was not concurrent with the one McCrystal was already serving. [Excerpts] [Melbourne THE AGE in English 10 Feb 79 p 10]

HEROIN SUSPECT KILLED--Melbourne--More than a dozen people watched as an alleged drug dealer was gunned down in what police described as a "straight-out execution" on an inner Melbourne street yesterday. Victor Frederick Allard, 42, slumped dead on a footpath outside a block of flats in Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda. Detective Inspector Brian Ritchie, acting head of Melbourne's homicide squad, said two men walked up to Allard at 1.15 am yesterday and shot him at point blank range. Police described him as a known drug dealer and said: "He was owed a fortune for heroin but in turn owed plenty of money himself." [Excerpts] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 10 Feb 79 p 5]

SYDNEY DRUG ABUSE LECTURES--The Association of Drug Referral Centres organized a 12-week series of lectures on drug abuse. The lectures, which were to begin in Sydney on 27 February, were designed to familiarize people such as social workers, welfare workers and industrial psychologists with the reasons for drug abuse. Scheduled speakers included Prof Ronald Sackville, chairman of the South Australia Royal Commission for the nonmedical use of drugs; Dr James Rankin, director of the Division of Drug and Alcoholic Services of the New South Wales Health Commission; and Dr Alfred McCoy, a lecturer in modern Southeast Asian history at the University of New South Wales. [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 26 Feb 79 p 4] The unemployed can attend the Association of Drug Referral Centres Ltd's introductory course for voluntary counsellors at a concessional rate, reports the association's education officer, Mrs Elvira Adelstein. The minimum age for the course is 18. Anyone wanting more information should contact the Association of Drug Referral Centres Ltd, Administration and Education and Training, 91 Pittwater Road, Manly, telephone 977 4632. [Excerpts] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 26 Feb 79 p 11]

SNIFFER DOGS PROPOSED--Australian Customs inspections and control branch chief preventive officer (Mr. Ian Foster) told the Federal Drugs Narcotics Commission narcotic sniffer dogs could examine vast numbers of packages quickly and tell if drugs were hidden. He said proposals had been submitted to the Consumer and Business Affairs Minister (Mr. Fife) to experiment

with dogs at airports. State police also had shown interest in the dogs. [Excerpt] [Brisbane THE COURIER MAIL in English 28 Feb 79 p 8]

HEROIN SUSPECT CHARGED--In East Perth Court on 28 February, bail was set for unemployed man charged with possessing heroin with intent to sell or supply it and possessing marihuana with intent to sell or supply it. Bail for Christopher John Fleming, 26, of Abernethy Road, Cloverdale, was set at \$16,200. [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 1 Mar 79 p 44]

DRUG DEFENDANT MISSING--A young New Zealand man on a charge of selling heroin failed to turn up for his trial in the Supreme Court yesterday. Ewen William Rendel (23), an electrician, of Abbett Street, Scarborough, had been charged with selling heroin from a flat in Hastings Street, Scarborough, over a period of months before his arrest in July last year. The crown prosecutor, Mr M.L. Murray, told the court that Rendel was released late last November on \$10,000 self-bail with a surety of \$2500. No money had to be lodged with the court. Rendel had to report each day to police and notify them a day in advance of any change of address. Rendel ceased reporting on February 21 and a police check showed that he had left his address with his belongings, Mr. Murray said. [Excerpt] [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 28 Feb 79 p 28]

MARIHUANA CULTIVATION PLAN--On 3 March, Alexander Bianchi, 22, and Murray Ross Kuhnell, 22, both of Stubbs Terrace, Daglish, were sentenced to 2.5 years in jail after having pleaded guilty to conspiring to grow marihuana by hydroponics. The District Court in Perth was told that the pair had leased a factory under a false name and built scaffolding, constructed troughs, and installed lights and reticulation equipment to grow the marihuana. They had got the idea when they came to West Australia from Victoria in 1978 and learned that there was a shortage of marihuana in Perth. The presiding judge said that the two had invested a considerable sum of money to grown marihuana under artificial light. The project showed detailed planning and a high degree of criminality. [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 3 Mar 79 p 11]

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MALAYSIA

NARCOTICS ARRESTS, TRIALS, SEIZURES REPORTED

Australian Gets Life Sentence

Kuala Lumpur NEW STRAITS TIMES in English 7 Feb 79 p 20

[Text]

**KANGAR, Tues. — An Australian school teacher, D.R. Ireland, 38, of New South Wales, was sentenced by the Sessions Court today to life imprisonment and ordered to be given one stroke of the rotan after he was convicted of trafficking in 1,836 grammes of ganja.**

The court president, Mr T.S. Marbeck, found Ireland guilty of committing the offence at Padang Besar railway station on Dec. 23, 1977.

In passing sentence, he said: "While we welcome tourists to our country, let it be known they cannot come here, flout our laws with impunity and hope to get away with it.

Our laws will be enforced on them just as they are enforced on our citizens.

"Other countries may have liberal laws with regard to drug abuse and that is their prerogative.

**'Most obnoxious'**

"In Malaysia, we deplore and detest drug abuse. Our drug offences therefore carry severe penalty. This is our privilege.

"Trafficking is the most obnoxious of the drug offences."

Referring to the defence evidence, Mr Marbeck said Ireland claimed he purchased the ganja in Bangkok so that he could smoke on his sea voyage back to Australia.

Ireland knew it was an offence to bring in or smoke ganja but claimed having no knowledge of the penalty, he said.

"This ignorance does not exonerate him or make his offence less serious," he added.

"Public interest demands and I would be failing in my duty if I do not exercise discretion to impose whipping."

"Let this be a lesson to the accused and to all other accused foreigners or Malaysians."

Heroin In Luggage

Kuala Lumpur NEW STRAITS TIMES in English 7 Feb 79 p 7

[Text]

**KUALA LUMPUR, Tues.** — A police officer told the High Court here today that he recovered 12 plastic packets containing heroin during a raid on a hotel in 1978.

ASP M. Ramalingam of the Narcotic Branch, Selangor CID Headquarters, said 10 of the plastic packets were found hidden in two stacks of wooden trays which were placed in a suitcase while the other two were recovered from another suitcase.

He told the court that when he forced open the parts which were glued together, he discovered that the stacks of trays contained a cervicle each.

He said he found four packets containing a brownish substance in one of the cervicles and six packets in the other.

He was testifying at the trial of three fishermen who are jointly charged with trafficking in 6.31 lbs of heroin at Nanyang Hotel in Jalan Sultan at 2.30 a.m. on Oct. 10, 1978.

They are H'ng Ah Bah, 27, Teo Ah Bah, 26, and Ong Sul Kim, 27.

Luggage bag

ASP Ramalingam said he led a police party to the hotel that morning and searched a room which was occupied by H'ng.

He recovered three MAS tickets from a luggage bag for flights from Penang to Singapore which were issued by a travel agency in Penang.

He also said that H'ng told him that he was on his way from Penang to Singapore to seek employment with two of his friends, but as they did not turn up in Penang he decided to travel by road.

ASP Ramalingam said he was dissatisfied with the explanation given by H'ng, so he went to another room which was occupied by Teo and Ong.

There he seized the suitcase, one of which revealed 10 packets of heroin.

ASP Ramalingam also told the court that after arresting the three men, he returned to his office. He dismantled the second suitcase and recovered the other two packets of heroin.

Earlier, Senior Chemist Mr. Marcharan Singh Tara testified that he received the 12 packets from ASP Ramalingam at 10.40 a.m. on Oct. 12 that year.

On examining the packets he found that the granular substance contained 262.26 grammes of heroin, he said.

He returned the exhibits to ASP Ramalingam at 3 p.m. the same day.

The hearing continues.

Drug Seizures by Customs

Kuala Lumpur NEW SUNDAY TIMES in English 4 Feb 79 p 15

[Excerpts]

**KUALA LUMPUR, Sat.** — The Customs Department yesterday received four specially trained dogs as a gift from the United States Customs.

Present at the Subang airport to receive the dogs were the Deputy Minister of Finance, Datuk Dr Neo Yee Pan and the Customs Director, General Datuk Abdul Rahim bin Datuk Tak.

Datuk Dr Neo said this was the second batch of dogs, three

Labradors and one Irish Setter, from the US Customs, the first being two Labradors — Sage and Tiny — received two years ago.

Sage died in a security operation late last year while Tiny got off to a world record when it sniffed out 82 lbs of heroin worth millions of dollars at the Subang airport in December last year.

The success of the Customs in drug seizures last year included 4,000 grams of heroin, 8,000 grams of morphine, 800,000 grams of raw opium and 8,000 grams of cooked opium worth millions in the Malaysian market.



### Addicts Responsible for Thefts

Kuala Belait BORNEO BULLETIN in English 3 Feb 79 p 3

[Excerpt]

**KUCHING.** — Virtually all petty thieving now in urban areas of the First Division is the work of drug addicts desperate for cash to buy their fix, says divisional police chief Mr Vincent Khoo.

He rates the drug problem in the division as serious and says all sectors of the community must join together to fight the menace.

Blaming addicts for "99 percent" of the thefts, he adds the division now has between 200 and 300 addicts, mostly on heroin, morphine, opium, ganja (Indian hemp) or rohypnol pills.

Mainly they are school dropouts or unemployed youths who don't have the money to buy their drug supplies and have turned to stealing to get it.

Police efforts against both users and traffickers have been stepped up, he said. In 1977 there were 16 raids resulting in the arrest of 25 people, all of whom were convicted and jailed.

Last year there were 20 raids for 42 arrests, with most of these people now behind bars, although some have still to be tried.

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PHILIPPINES

MARCOS DETERMINED TO STAMP OUT DRUG ABUSE

OW141621 Manila FEBC in English 2330 GMT 13 Mar 79 OW

[Text] The president said his government is determined to eradicate drug abuse and urged international cooperation against narcotics trafficking. The president declared the Philippines' stand on the narcotics problem at a meeting with 30 delegates to the 4-day meeting of the International Drug Enforcement Association. The delegates made a courtesy call on the president at Malacanang yesterday. The president expressed confidence that all nations would give support to the worldwide effort to stamp out drug trafficking and drug abuse. He said: On the part of the Philippines, no effort will be spared in combating the drug menace. Later on at the drug enforcement conference, Solicitor General Estelito Mendoza yesterday called for a worldwide cooperation among the world's drug enforcers in eradicating the drug problem. Mendoza issued the call as he addressed the opening of the 4-day conference of the International Drug Enforcement Association at the PICC [Philippine International Convention Center]. The conference is being attended by some 200 local and foreign delegates. Discussions in the next 3 days will revolve mainly around strategies to be adopted in combating syndicates engaged in the illicit trafficking of drugs.

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PHILIPPINES

BRIEFS

MORPHINE SEIZURE--Government operatives made a major breakthrough in the sustained campaign against a Jolo-based illegal drug syndicate with the seizure of morphine valued at 150,000 pesos. Colonel Bienvenido Felix, commanding officer of the constabulary antinarcotics unit, identified the suspect as (Alfredo Managil) of Zamboanga city. Colonel Felix said the arrest of the suspect was effected after a month-long surveillance by a constabulary team. [Manila Domestic Service in English 0400 GMT 7 Mar 79 OW]

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THAILAND

SEVEN ARRESTED WITH MORPHINE, HEROIN

Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 20 Mar 79 p 3 BK

[Text] Seven people, including two women, were arrested in a series of raids in Bangkok Metropolis which resulted in the seizure of 27.04 kilos of morphine blocks and three bathrobes and a towel coated with No 4 heroin.

Narcotics Suppression police yesterday afternoon raided a house in Soi Klongtan off Sukhumvit Road. The house was owned by Prasert Chotesamithikul whose activities had been closely watched by police for some time.

Ten morphine blocks were found in the trunk of a Toyota Crown sedan allegedly belonging to Prasert.

Three others, Prasert's wife Niphaporn, Mr Pengkui sae Lim and his wife, Mrs. Muey, who attempted to escape during the police raid were arrested for alleged involvement with the drugs.

Later, police picked up the four persons' relatives, Prachuab Chotesamithikul and his wife, Wanida from their house in Soi Charoenjai, off Soi Ekamai.

Another eight blocks of morphine and three bathrobes and a towel coated with No 4 heroin were found hidden in a suitcase in a room of their house.

The alleged drugs courier, identified as Boonmee Promsa-nga, a resident of Mae Sai District of Chiang Rai Province, was arrested following a raid on his rented house in Soi Ruammitr off Chan Road, where he stayed while in Bangkok.

The seven persons initially denied charges of possessing morphine and heroin with intent to sell.

They have been handed over to the Crime Suppression police for further detention and questioning.



**The seven suspects with the seized morphine and heroin at the Police Narcotics Suppression Centre.**

**From BANGKOK NATION REVIEW in English 20 Mar 79 p 1 BK**

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THAILAND

GERMAN, AMERICAN ARRESTED ON DRUG POSSESSION

Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 19 Mar 79 p 1 BK

[Text] Two Germans were arrested at Don Muang airport while an American girl and her Thai boyfriend were held in Chon Buri Saturday night on charges of drugs possession.

The two Germans, Miss Patricia Petra Wagner, 21, and Gerhard Maier, 26, were held with 150 grammes of cooked opium as they were about to board a flight for Frankfurt.

The heroin was found in the boots worn by the pair and in the man's handbag. According to Customs officials both said they were addicts and had attempted to smuggle the drugs for their own consumption.

The American girl, Miss Karen Roberts, 19, and her Thai boyfriend, Pradith Choowong, were held in a restaurant and charged with possessing heroin for their own consumption.

Police found two tubes of No. 4 heroin and a syringe in the girl's purse.

They said they were addicts and in Thailand on vacation from studies at an engineering college in an American university.

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THAILAND

BRIEFS

MEOS ARRESTED--CHIANG MAI--Police yesterday arrested three Meo hilltribesmen and seized about half a kilo of No. 4 high-grade heroin in a house raid in Muang District. The three suspects, identified as Mrs Yao Ching sae Hoo (78), Cheng Teo sae Chang (44) and Cheong Fu sae Yang (18), were initially charged with possessing heroin with intent to sell. The drug was found hidden in the toilet and several empty milk cans. All three suspects pleaded guilty during interrogation, police reported. [Text] [Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 16 Mar 79 p 3 BK]

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VIETNAM

**DEALERS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE, GOLD AND OPIUM APPREHENDED**

Hanoi DOC LAP in Vietnamese 14 Feb 79 p 5

[News column by "L.H.": "Dealing in 'Gold'"]

[Text] From the outside one saw only antiques. But the inside turned out to be "gold." "Gold" in this case means gold money, including foreign money. Such was the case of a merchant on D. street in Hanoi. In addition to the usual amount of cash the merchant had 10,000 dong worth of foreign currency. Of course, the store owner had to account for the relationship between the antiques and the gold money.

On 22 December 1978 the market management cadres also caught Tran Thi Ng., an employee of a certain organ, with 21.5 taels of gold and a sample of opium while en route to the house of an accomplice. Among the money in her possession there were 1,000 dong in foreign currency.

Everyone knows that gold, silver, and foreign exchange are managed by the state. People who deliberately deal in gold, silver, and foreign exchange, who take advantage of dishonest relationships to make money illegally, will be subjected to punishment by law.

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BOLIVIA

BRIEFS

DRUG TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED--Santa Cruz, 26 Mar--Seven foreign girls have been arrested and 2.5 kilograms of cocaine base seized during a police operation in the El Pari neighborhood of this city. The narcotics department reported that three are Americans and four are Puerto Ricans but did not release their names. [La Paz PRESENCIA in Spanish 17 Mar 79 p 2 PY]

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BRAZIL

REPORTAGE ON ARREST OF DRUG TRAFFICKING RING MEMBERS IN LEBLON

Four Members Arrested

Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese 3 Feb 79 p 22

[Text] Last night at 77 Rua Artur Araripe, apartment 302, in Leblon, the police seized 250 grams of cocaine and a kilo of compressed marihuana from drug traffickers Jair Borges de Oliverira and Denise Correia Pinto. Both were arrested together with Ione das Neves Barbosa and Itacyr Faini, a lawyer charged with being the distributor of the drugs.

The police were in the apartment for 4 hours making the arrest of the four addicts and taping several telephone calls from people inquiring about the price of the drugs. A revolver was seized and several agendas containing the names of theater and television actors, all addicts. Carlos Goncalves Barbosa, the husband of Ione and also a member of the ring, managed to flee.

Actors Implicated

Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese 4 Feb 79 p 42

[Report from its bureau in Rio]

[Text] Maria Bethania, Caetano Veloso and his wife Dede, Gal Costa, Claudio Marzo, Daniel Filho, Gracinha Mota and a person known as Edy (who might be the brother or sister of Rose de Primo, the model) are some of the names of actors found in an address book belonging to a ring of cocaine traffickers broken up by the Rio police in the early morning hours yesterday. The lawyer Itacyr Faini was also a member of the band and was arrested with the other three.

The first time the lawyer's name came up was during the imprisonment of the actress Scarlet Moon Chevalier. A check made out to Itacyr Faini was found in her handbag. Since then in almost every arrest of drug traffickers, the name of the lawyer has appeared as a liaison element.

Itacyr Faini was finally arrested in the early morning hours yesterday when police from the Narcotics Squad, after receiving a complaint revealing details concerning the drug traffic, circled and entered an apartment in Gavea where they arrested Jair Borges de Oliveira and his companion Denise Correia Pinto and seized 250 grams of cocaine and a kilo of compressed marijuana plus a .38 caliber revolver.

The police then went to the apartment of the lawyer Itacyr Faini in Copacabana, and arrested the lawyer and Ione das Neves Barbosa, also a member of the ring. In their search of the apartment the police found an additional 50 grams of cocaine ready for sale. Clients "were transacting the purchase of the narcotic" by telephone and the police, after deciding to listen in, ended up arresting addicts Solon Jaci and Jorge Paulo. They also taped a conversation with Gracinha Mota.

Mauro D'Avila, who went to the apartment to buy drugs, was arrested later. Carlos Goncalves Barbosa, the husband of Ione, managed to get away before the police could catch him. The Rio police promise to investigate each of the names in the address book belonging to the traffickers.

#### Arrest in Criminal Court

Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese 8 Feb 79 p 20

[Text] Sergio Cavaliere Filho, judge of the 23 criminal jurisdiction, yesterday heard a complaint from prosecuting attorney Edmundo Jose dos Anjos Coutinho against the lawyer Itacyr Alberto Vescovi Faini, Ione Neves Barbosa and the couple Jair Borges de Oliveira and Denise Correia Pinto. He set Monday for the arraignment of the four, who were arrested on Saturday in an apartment in Leblon with 132 grams of cocaine and 860 of marijuana.

The prosecutor attached to the complaint the 5 February and 6 February editions of the newspaper ULTIMA HORA requesting the Narcotics Squad to provide "on an urgent basis the necessary confirmation of the news report." The reports mention six address books, allegedly seized in apartment 302 on Rua Arthur Araripe, where the arrests were made, and mention others allegedly also arrested at the same time.

#### The Ring

In three typewritten pages, Prosecutor Jose dos Anjos Coutinho charges the four with violations of Articles 12 (traffic) and 14 (association) of the Narcotics Law (Law 6 368/76), accusing them of "forming a ring, associating for clandestine trading in narcotics."

The defendants were arrested in the apartment of Jair and Denise at about 1600 hours on Saturday when detectives Nelio Machado, Osvaldo David Ribeiro

and Antonio Ferreira, alerted by anonymous telephone calls to the Narcotics Squad, made a "search and arrest" operation. The three policemen were enlisted by the prosecutor as witnesses.

The accused made few clarifications to the police, preferring to speak in the presence of the judge at the arraignment on 12 February. Ione said she went to the home of Denise to pay a bill and Itacir waited in the car. A small bottle with cocaine was found in the visor of the car. Jair said the drug found in the closet was for his own use, he being an addict.

#### Policemen

In their depositions, the policemen affirmed that, according to information provided by the accused, the drug seized was to be marketed and that the suppliers are Carlos Goncalves Barbosa aka "Carlinhos" and another person known as Nelsinho who lives on Rua Julio de Castilhos. In view of the newspaper reports, the prosecuting attorney asked the Narcotics Squad for information on the dealer Carlinhos.

He justified this request by saying that, although there is no mention in the legal briefs of what has been published in the press, "this is of unequivocal concern to the cause of justice and important to the clarification of the crimes." The lawyer for Itacir Faini, Mr Jair Leite Pereira, said he will request his client's release from jail after the arraignment.

#### Protection

Police from the Narcotics Squad provided protection to Jair Borges de Oliveira, 27 years old, arrested with seven others, so he might lead to the whereabouts of Carlos Goncalves Barbosa, the trafficker who fled on the day police entered apartment 302 at 77 Rua Arthur Araripe in Leblon.

The agents believe that Carlos Goncalves de Oliveira will give himself up soon. Denise Correia Pinto, the wife of Jair, has accused him of supplying her husband with drugs.

The police arrested four other addicts who went to the apartment to buy drugs. An agenda with several names was seized and inspector Evaldo Nunes believes the names are customers of Jair Borges de Oliveira. He expects, starting today when the investigations begin, to question those people, since in his view at least 20 percent of them are involved in the traffic and use of narcotics.

#### Agenda

Jacster Ribeiro, the lawyer for Jair Borges de Oliveira, said his client wants to help in the investigations and asked for protection because of

the dangerous nature of Carlos Goncalves Barbosa, responsible for the distribution of cocaine and marihuana in various parts of the city.

The police plan to have the drug addicts go with them in their efforts to locate the trafficker but some say he is "a long way from Rio." Denise said the names in the agenda are her "dressmaker clients."

Television, movie and theater actors and other people will be called in by the Narcotics Squad to explain their involvement with Denise and Jair. Some police feel this will do no good because "people can say they do not know how their names got in the agenda."

#### A model

Edy Marques, the sister of the professional model Rose Di Primo, said she is ready for a confrontation with the wife of Jair since her name was also in the address book. She says she never knew Denise Correia Pinto and does not know why her name is on the list.

According to the police, the agenda has some 40 names, the majority residents in the "Zona Sul" [southern area]. The police also said they were able to make several tapes, telephone calls to Jair's apartment, of addicts who wanted to make a buy. On one of the recordings, the caller threatened to kill Denise because she "gave him a bath" (bought and did not pay) at a cocaine party, emphasizing that "a guy is coming from Rio Grande do Sul to straighten out accounts with you."

Inspector Evaldo Nunes refused to reveal the names in the agenda, claiming this can only be done "after we begin the investigations."

He believes that Felipe Aguiar de Oliveira, a student--who according to the police plunged out of a cover apartment in Leblon on 17 January after taking an overdose of cocaine in the vein--got the drug from one of the people under arrest.

#### Deaths

The Narcotics Squad is also investigating the deaths of two young men whose bodies were left on the Guandu Sena highway in Bangu near the 14th Military Police Battalion by three people in a Brasilia. One of them was Oswald Charles Marques Evans, an architecture student from Mogi das Cruzes.

Another agenda was found next to the other body, Eduardo Augusto Lindenberg, with dozens of names, mostly women, including Rose Di Primo, the model. The name PM Russo, whom police are searching for, was written on a piece of paper with the letterhead of Auto-Radio Volkswagen.

Today a statement will be taken from Luis Felipe Gaspar Somma, Eduardo's brother-in-law. When he identified Eduardo's body at the Coroner's

Institute, he said he had gone out on Monday afternoon with his brother-in-law to pick up someone at the Galeao airport. While driving out in a car that belonged to his sister, Angela Maria Gaspar Somma, he was intercepted on the road by a group of men, who let him go and took Eduardo with them.

The police find it strange that it was only yesterday, when the press reported the finding of the body, that Luis Felipe took the first steps to identify the corpse. He filed no complaint of the kidnaping or theft of the blue Brasilia, license ZX-7162, which was found yesterday on the Rua Lousa, Bloco dos Sargentos, in Guadalupe, with the windows on the right side shattered by bullets.

In the car there was a bag with a pair of used men's shoes, a pair of new tennis shoes, red satin trousers and a blue satin blouse. In the agenda, next to the name Gisele, there was the notation "8,400 cruzeiros--a blouse." As far as the police are concerned, a mere blouse does not cost that much and the note must have some other meaning.

The notation of the name of PM Russo caught the attention of the police since the bodies were left almost across from the 14th BPM, whose sentry--Adair Evaristo Onias--arrived, saw the car and did nothing to arrest its occupants. Another notation being investigated says "Avenida Francisco Bicalho--Adalberto--Detran--from 0800 to 1700."

Early in their investigation, the police learned that Oswaldo Charles and Eduardo had almost 2,000 dollars (some 44,000 cruzeiros) in their possession. As no money was found in the car nor on the bodies, the case may be described as burglary and be transferred to the Robbery and Theft Division.

The police also ascertained that last week Oswald Charles--who was helping install a boutique in Foruci--was seen in the Zona Sul with a young woman.

#### A Housebreaking

The police are intrigued by an entry into the home of the sister of Ione das Neves Barbosa, at 834 Rua Alcides in Bangu. On Monday, a black man of medium stature who identified himself as a member of the Narcotics Squad, entered the apartment after forcing the door, stole some jewelry and a third agenda.

A neighbor saw the man trying to force the door, which is when he said he was a policeman. Some 20 minutes later, a team from the Narcotics Squad arrived at the apartment looking for Carlos Goncalves Barbosa and they found everything in a mess.

Carlinhos appears alongside Ione, a niece and other relatives were found in Carlinhos' possession and seized by the police.

#### Meeting Place

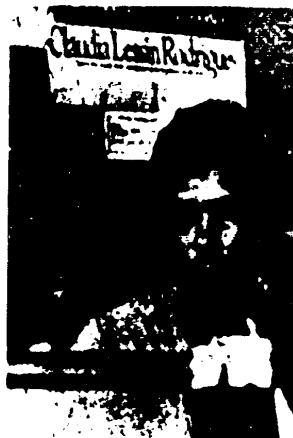
The police feel that the Cantinho do Sossego restaurant was a meeting place for the narcotics addicts. The trafficker says he leased the establishment a short time ago but revealed he had no employees and was working as the waiter, cook and cashier himself.

After the questioning, Jadir da Silva Pinto, a lawyer, came to the Narcotics Squad offices and said he would defend Carlinhos, "I only know there is no evidence against him or against Ione, his former wife. She was in Denise's apartment buying clothes when the police arrived," he said.

#### LSD Capsules

Inspector Evaldo yesterday showed star-shaped LSD capsules seized from a woman who was arrested a few days ago and whose name has not been revealed. According to the police official, she, a foreigner with whom she lives, and a military man brought the drug in from abroad.

Evaldo Viana guaranteed there would be no interruption in the investigation of narcotics traffic in Baixo Leblon, and said there are already clues that will lead to the arrest of other traffickers who frequent the neighborhood. He said they also have addresses of suppliers given by dope addicts under arrest. The locations include streets near the Diagonal and Guanabara restaurants. He said people whose names are in the six agendas seized in the apartment of Denise Correa Pinto would be called upon to give depositions. The agenda had nearly 100 names, many of which are names of prominent people in the theatrical world and society.



"Carlinhos" at the narcotics squad offices.

Arrest of Carlinhos

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 9 Feb 79 p 11

[Text] Yesterday at 0430 hours and after a week of searching for him, agents from the Narcotics Squad arrested Carlos Goncalves Barbosa aka Carlinhos, a narcotics trafficker and former husband of Ione Neves Barbosa who was arrested several days ago with cocaine and marihuana in her possession at apartment 302, on Rua Artur Araripe #72 in Leblon. Also arrested with her were Denise Correa Pinto, Jair Borges de Oliveira and Itacir Alberto Visconti Faini, a lawyer.

Carlinhos, 33 years old, was arrested when he returned to a restaurant he owns at 2 Avenida das Americas, called the Cantinho do Sossego, which he left on Saturday when his wife was arrested.

In the opinion of inspector Evaldo Nunes Viana, who is heading the investigation, the narcotics traffickers who were arrested the past few days are probably involved in the deaths of Felipe Aguiar de Oliveira, a student who plunged or was thrown from the apartment of Denise Muniz Ferreira Tagher, and Daniel Alberto Nino, an Argentine whose body was found on 25 January in apartment 302, Rua Gilberto Cardoso 270 in the Selva de Pedra complex in Leblon.

When he was questioned at the narcotics squad offices, Carlinhos said he had nothing to say about his involvement in narcotics trafficking and stated he would only talk in the presence of a judge. He denied he still had any connection with Ione and said he had been separated from her for 8 months. He claimed he knew the lawyer Itacir Faini "only professionally," since the latter had handled his separation and had visited him in the restaurant twice "as a lawyer."

Carlinhos said he did not personally know Denise Correa Pinto and her lover Jair Borges de Oliveira, and referred to Denise as "the woman from whom Ione bought clothes."

When he was shown vouchers from remittances made by him to the Itau Bank's agency in Campo Grande (Mato Grosso), in the name of Elza Martins and Dirce Evangelista Martins, he was unable to explain the reason for the remittances.

According to the Narcotics Squad, Carlinhos supplied Denise Correa Pinto with cocaine and she resold it in her apartment. The drug was brought or sent from Campo Grande by Elza and Dirce who received money through payment orders.

In addition to the two deposit vouchers and checkbooks from the Itau Bank, the addresses of middlemen in Camp Grande and photographs in which



Four Drug Traffickers

Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portugese 4 Feb 79 p 21



The lawyer Itacir Paini and Ione das Neves Barbosa were handcuffed.  
Jair Borges de Oliveira and Denise Correa Pinto try to avoid photographers.

Two Drug Traffickers

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 4 Feb 79 p 17



Jorge (with Denise, in the Narcotics Squad offices) admitted he was the owner of the cocaine and marihuana.

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COLOMBIA

GOVERNMENT OPPOSED TO LEGALIZING USE OF MARIHUANA

PA160016 Bogota Radio Cadena Nacional in Spanish 1730 GMT 15 Mar 79 PA

[Text] The National Association of Financial Institutions [Asociacion Nacional de Instituciones Financieras--ANIF] today asked the government to legalize the cultivation of marihuana, but said the decision should be adopted jointly with the United States. ANIF Chairman Ernesto Samper Pizano proposed the creation of a commission with representatives from the two governments to study the proposal.

Speaking at the opening of a conference on marihuana, Samper Pizano said that the control measures adopted by the government have not yielded the expected results; on the contrary, they have contributed to an alarming increase in domestic consumption. He added that over 600,000 Colombians are habitual users of 500 tons of marihuana annually.

Today, the government said it was definitely opposed to legalizing the cultivation or consumption of marihuana in Colombia and harshly criticized the statement by ANIF Chairman Ernesto Samper Pizano. Attorney General Guillermo Gonzalez Charry said the government is not at all convinced it should nor is there anything that could encourage it to study such a measure. He insisted that ANIF has voiced some economic reasons but no moral arguments, and our society is very concerned about this.

He asked for more efficient cooperation from the U.S. Government in order to guarantee a successful campaign against narcotics trafficking in the country.

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COLOMBIA

ARMY PROTESTS HIGH COST OF ANTIDRUG CAMPAIGN

PA192027 Bogota Cadena Radial Super in Spanish 1100 GMT 19 Mar 79 PA

[Text] Bogota--The Colombian Army has protested the high cost of the campaign to fight drug trafficking in La Guajira. Statements to this effect were made by Army officers who held meetings until yesterday evening with their U.S. Army colleagues. Colombia's problems in fighting this traffic were discussed during this meeting.

The Colombian officers noted that while Colombia invested approximately 50 million pesos in the fight against drug trafficking last year, the U.S. Government contributed only 2 million pesos and has asked that the 7th Brigade, headquartered in Villavicencio, initiate operations similar to those taking place in La Guajira.

The Colombian officers also complained about the slowness with which the Colombian authorities have been acting to legalize the turning over to the army of approximately 50 vehicles that have been seized. The few vehicles they have available are in poor condition.

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COLOMBIA

BRIEFS

MARIHUANA BURNED--Barranquilla, Colombia, 31 Mar (AFP)--It was reported today that the 2d Military Brigade burned 180 tons of marihuana valued at \$32 million. The marihuana was seized on Friday while it was being transported through Magdalena department in 20 trucks. It was considered one of the most valuable shipments seized this year. Six persons were arrested during the action. Gen Jose Maria Villarreal, 2d Military Brigade commander, said today that 5,000 tons of marihuana have been burned since October. [Paris AFP in Spanish 1516 GMT 31 Mar 79 PA]

TRAFFICKERS' ARREST--Bogota, 30 Mar (AFP)--The Defense Ministry announced here today that it arrested 35 Colombian drug traffickers and seized 4,753 bundles of marihuana on the country's coast over the past week. It also seized 23 arms of various calibers, ammunition, 1 ship and 26 vehicles. Most of the arrests were made between 23 and 30 March in La Guajira department, 1,300 km from Bogota. [Paris AFP in Spanish 0253 GMT 31 Mar 79 PA]

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MEXICO

UN MEETING CITES MEXICAN PROGRESS IN ANTIDRUG BATTLE

Ciudad Juarez EL FRONTERIZO in Spanish 27 Feb 79 pp 1, 2

[Text] The federal government will put an end to the growing of drugs in Mexico within 2 years, by means of the joint program that is being carried out by the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic and the Secretariat of National Defense.

This assertion was made by Fernando Baeza, a leading official from the Attorney General's Office, upon his return from Geneva, Switzerland, where he attended the meeting of the United Nations ECOSOC [Economic and Social Council] Committee on Drugs.

At this meeting, which was held from 12 to 23 February 1979, and in which 150 member nations and observers participated, unanimous recognition was given for the effort made by the Mexican Government in its campaign against the planting, cultivation, harvesting and trafficking of drugs.

It was resolved to use the experience passed on by Mexico all over the world, inasmuch as it is the most suitable and effective for eradicating the sources of production.

For this purpose, the Attorney General's Office currently has the largest military aviation fleet in Latin America, as well as in the world.

It consists of 36 helicopters, excluding eight which will go into service this year, as well as 70 airplanes.

There are two reasons why the Mexican Government is combating drugs relentlessly.

In the first place, because they injure the physical and moral well-being of Mexicans; and, secondly, because it is attempting to destroy a source of moral contamination. The latter is related to the moralization campaign of the public administration.

Two years ago, Mexico ranked among the leading producers of marihuana; and it ranked fifth in opium production.

At the present time, Colombia is the largest marihuana producer, and the "golden triangle," comprised of Burma, Thailand and Laos, is the largest opium producer.

The Geneva meeting was attended by Undersecretary of State Matea Falco, representing the United States.

The American delegation reported that deaths from overdoses of heroin in the United States had declined by 80 percent in 1978. It also said that the degree of purity of the heroin produced in Mexico had dropped from 9.3 to 3.6 percent.

On the other hand, the price of opium and marihuana in the Mexican Republic has tripled during the past 2 years.

The United States currently has 12 million marihuana addicts and half a million heroin addicts.

The Mexican delegation, headed by Baeza, announced that, during 1972, the Attorney General's Office and the Secretariat of National Defense had destroyed 33,400 marihuana and opium plantations.

A total of 5,149 Mexican citizens and 215 foreigners were arrested, all of whom were involved in crimes against health in all degrees; while 730 automobiles, and small and large trucks, 44 airplanes, 740 high-powered firearms and 835 short-barreled weapons were confiscated.

Also seized were 3.7 million depressant pills and 18 million stimulants.

The poppy growing area has been reduced by 80.5 percent, and the marihuana growing area by 60 percent.

Hence, the Federal Government estimates that it will put an end to the growing of drugs on national territory in 2 years' time.

This year, it will improve its advanced systems for identifying crops by using the spectral effect to spot plantations from airplanes in flight.

The largest marihuana producing area in the country, contributing 80 percent of the production, has been the triangle comprised of the states of Durango, Sinaloa and Chihuahua.

During his recent visit to Mexico, United States President James Carter, while he was with Oscar Flores Sanchez, the attorney general of the republic, expressed recognition for the federal government in the effort that it is making to put an end to the cultivation and trafficking of drugs.

This year, five air bases will be built to intensify the battle, located in Zorrillo, Chihuahua; La Magdalena, Jalisco; Uruapan, Michoacan; San Felipe, Oaxaca; and Arcelia, Guerrero. The surveillance at the Mexico City international airport will also be intensified.

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MEXICO

COCAINE FROM GUATEMALA SEIZED IN MERIDA

Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 3 Mar 79 p 8-A

[Text] The Federal Judiciary Police delivered a hard blow to international drug traffic when it located 6.8 kilograms of pure cocaine, yesterday, that was going to be introduced into Mexico at the southern border.

A Peruvian, Guillermo Nesron Valdes, and a United States citizen, Dolores Ada Ruiz de Casillas, were traveling on AVIATECA Flight 920, coming from Guatemala. They were arrested by the PJF [Federal Judiciary Police] in Merida, Yucatan.

The foreigners had with them a lamp with a leather-covered base, that they handled very carefully. This seemed suspicious to the federal detectives.

When the federal agents inspected the lamp, they realized that it was hollow and that inside there were seven plastic bags of cocaine.

The South Americans were arrested and made available to the Government Attorney's Office in Merida.

When they were interrogated, Nesron Valdes and Dolores Ada said that the drug had been bought in Peru and that they intended to take it to the United States.

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MEXICO

COCAINE SMUGGLERS CAUGHT AT MERIDA AIRPORT

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 3 Mar 79 Sec B p 14

[Text] Mexico City, 3 March--Two drug traffickers of Latin American origin were caught by federal agents at the international airport in Merida, Yucatan, while they were attempting to bring nearly 7 kilograms of pure cocaine into the country in the base of a "floor" lamp covered with leather.

The Office of the Attorney General of the Republic announced that the total price of the drugs on the black market was over 180 million pesos.

The ingenious method that was being used by Guillermo Negron Valdez, of Peruvian nationality, and Dolores Ada Ruiz de Casillas, a Latin American of United States nationality, failed when the federal agents detected them "acting as if they were pretending to be tourists stopping by."

The drug traffickers told the authorities that the route to be used for the drugs was Merida, Mexico City and then the United States, where "contact R" would receive the lamp in which the drugs from South America were contained.

Both were arrested by the Federal Judicial Police a few minutes after they had landed from Aviateca's flight No 920, arriving from Guatemala.

Gen Raul Mendiola Cerecero, head of the Federal Judicial Police, announced that the arrest was made yesterday by Comdr Roberto Espinoza Moreno and his detachment in the capital of Yucatan.

According to the information provided by the head of that entity, the federal agents assigned to that air terminal noticed the great care taken by the couple with the wooden lamp covered with leather.

They said that the "strange behavior" had aroused the suspicion of the federal police, who proceeded to take them in custody and make a careful search of the lamp.

A few minutes later, they discovered that the object weighed too much for its size, that it was hollow, and that it contained within it 7 kilograms of cocaine packed in the same number of plastic bags.

Upon being interrogated, the foreigners admitted that they had contacts with the drug trafficking ring which operates in Peru, which gave them instructions to take the lamp and drugs to Mexico City, and from there, to carry them subsequently into the United States.

Each one would have received \$2,000 in the event that the shipment of the drugs had been carried out, according to their claim.

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MEXICO

PRI SPONSORS 240 ANTIDRUGS CLINICS

Mexico City METROPOLI DE EL DIA in Spanish 1 Mar 79 p 11

[Article by Eva Leonor Mendez Cobos]

[Text] Next Monday, 240 clinics, subsidized by the PRI [Institutional Revolutionary Party], will begin to operate in the metropolitan area. They will approach a solution to drug addiction problems, primarily in the fringe sectors. Likewise, physicians and psychiatrists will go into the poverty belts to handle behavior aspects at every level: children, adolescents and adults.

The above was stated by the deputy secretary for Social Action of that political party, Dr Enrique Diaz Michel, who added that, just yesterday, training courses started for the medical and paramedical personnel to staff the above-mentioned centers.

He pointed out that this is part of the program of the Drive Against Drug Addiction, Alcoholism and Tobacco Addiction that the PRI has set up permanently in the Federal District and in the interior of the republic.

Diaz Michel added that, of the cases detected, the ones regarded as special will be channeled to the Youth Integration Centers, so that rehabilitation treatment may be carried out there.

He pointed out that the new clinics have been set up in fringe areas, because these areas are the ones lacking medical and care services and also, owing to a lack of motivation, they prefer to treat themselves with household remedies or they neglect diseases with lamentable subsequent consequences.

In the case of drug addicts, he added, there has been success in incorporating them in the country's active life by means of guidance talks. Nevertheless, the problem attains sizable proportions that must be attacked immediately by properly trained personnel.

In addition, when Dr Diaz Michel mentioned the courses given in the PRI, he said that they are taught by recognized physicians and psychoanalysts who train the personnel so that they may know adequate handling, detection and prevention of drug addiction.

Later, Diaz Michel added that, in the future, it is planned to increase the number of clinics, so that the community may go to them and receive adequate treatment for solving their health problems.

He added that we must realize that, as long as the situation of sick people prevails among us, it will very difficult for us to come out of the underdevelopment in which we are at present. Only by adopting preventive measures will it be possible to prevent addicts from having access to the various drugs that have corrupted our young persons.

One aspect very important to us, our informer remarked, is to make parents aware, so that they will really participate with us. Most of them, overwhelmed by their economic or mental problems, neglect their children's education, giving rise, with their apathy, to an increase in corrupt individuals with limited ideals.

We are also attempting to guide children and to channel their energy and concerns toward more constructive activities (sports and manual activities) that may produce physical, moral and economic benefits in them and will turn them into young persons productive for the country.

#### Very Neglected Youth

Dr Fernando Valadez Perez, technical director of the Youth Integration Centers, in turn, declared himself in favor of the establishment of an agency (at the secretariat level) that will approach every aspect of youth guidance exclusively.

He said that our youth is very neglected, and because they are potentially young they require special attention, because these are the persons who will run our country in the future.

Our young persons must be given security. They must be shown their importance for the development of our people and they must be made aware that their participation in every activity (political, social, economic, and so on) is a determining factor.

He pointed out that if an institution devoted to the problems of youth is not established immediately, the future will be very discouraging, because drug use and abuse will continue to increase, giving rise among us both to unemployment and a lack of opportunities to be incorporated in active life.

When he discussed the Youth Integration Centers, the psychoanalyst stated that, at present, there are eight centers in the Federal District, in which

an average of 3,200 consultations a month are conducted. In addition, 24 more centers are operating in the interior of the republic.

He added that another objective of these centers is to give prevention to the youth sector by means of coordinating recreational and cultural agencies.

He stated that, although recently a stagnation in the increase of drug addicts has been observed, the problem is quite serious, primarily among young persons from 16 to 25 years old.

Only about 20 to 30 percent of persons admitted to the Youth Integration Centers succeed in being rehabilitated. Because, in spite of the fact that this is on a par with the greatest success worldwide, there is a high rate of desertion, because, in most cases, they attend treatment four or five times and finally desert.

#### Use of Psychoanalysis

The physician added that the most modern systems of psychoanalysis are used in the Youth Integration Centers, with various modified techniques, depending on the patient's case. It has been observed, with this action, that rehabilitation of those young persons is achieved remarkably.

With regard to the various effects and consequences to which drugs give rise, the specialist stated that, in the case of inhalants, it has been ascertained that they cause severe renal damage, psychic problems (like madness, withdrawal, and so on), in addition to severe brain damage (destruction of neurons).

Marihuana, in turn, produces special motivational syndromes, high social costs (he does not study, grasp or work) and serious problems are evident in the areas of interpersonal relations (rejection of surrounding society).

He described the problem of the so-called social drugs -- alcoholism and tobacco addiction -- as extremely serious. They also cause serious physical and moral damage, but are permitted by society.

He stressed that the problem of drug addiction exists on every level in the metropolitan area, because they are used depending on income, from cigarettes to cocaine. And he censured the sale of drugs at the doors of schools. He said that this is done as harmful propaganda to encourage the use of drugs more. This is owing simply to the fact that the human being is contradictory by nature and, when he is forbidden something, he tends to desire it. He offered, as an example, the case of smokers, among whom sales continue to increase, in spite of the fact that they are warned right on the cigarette pack that the product is harmful to the health.

Finally, he stated that both the government, private initiative and primarily the people who are the ones most affected by this unproductive, problem society must act in the problem of drug addiction.

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MEXICO

INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING RING BROKEN UP

Guatemala Springboard for Drugs

Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 6 Mar 79 p 26-A

[Article by Jose Calderon Salazar, correspondent in Guatemala]

[Text] Guatemala, 5 March--The national police revealed today that "the international ring of drug traffickers is attempting to set up a permanent operations center in Guatemala for drug traffic."

The sources added that "cocaine and marihuana worth many millions are being transported from South America -- concretely from Colombia -- to the United States and Guatemala was selected for making contacts."

The details of these international criminal activities were learned as a result of the arrest of a Colombian, Jorge Enrique Sierra, from whom a double-bottomed suitcase, concealing drugs worth \$300,000 that he was attempting to introduce into the United States by means of maneuvers not yet revealed in Guatemala, was seized in the La Aurora Airport.

The Colombian said that he "did not know what was contained in the suitcase that he was to deliver in the United States" to a person whom he refused to identify.

It leaked out here, today, that both Sierra and other South Americans who have been discovered in Guatemala transporting drugs worth hundreds of thousands of dollars are in the service of the ring commanded by Joe Colombo and that, since his death, it has been headed by Sonny Franzese.

It was said that this traffic is carried on constantly because of the tactics of dividing the drug shipments among several traveling traffickers. The total traffic amounts to several million dollars.

The Guatemalan police stated today that "the traffic scheme has been already brought under control in this country by agents regarded as among the most specialized in the world."

International Traffickers Seized

Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 6 Mar 79 p 26-A

[Article by Rafael Medina]

[Text] A ring of drug traffickers, operating in Guatemala, the United States, Peru and Mexico and trying to introduce counterfeit money in circulation, was broken up by agents of the Judiciary Police, under the command of Gen Raul Mendiola Cerecero, when seven persons were seized.

Erick Rafael, Julio Cesar and James Mendoza Quandt, Francisco Urbina Morales, Jesus Heliodoro Gomez Serna, Victoria Castellanos Martinez de Urbina and Ingeborg Quandt de Mendoza, are in the cells of the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic, undergoing severe interrogations on their activities.

According to the investigations by the federal agents who achieved the arrest of the drug traffickers and counterfeiters, the counterfeit money was made in South America and it was planned to circulate it in Mexico.

The arrest of the ring members was made in a downtown hotel on Avenida Reforma in this city and also in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon and Tapacula, Chiapas.

The following was the prisoners' manner of operating: They would arrange the cocaine buying and selling operation in Peru. From there, its transportation to Guatemala was planned, in order to introduce it subsequently by way of Tapacula into our country and from here to the United States.

As soon as the second in command of the police, Rodolfo Castano Arambula, learned that a cocaine buying and selling operation was being arranged in this city, he ordered a very close watch to be set up in the hotel where the drug traffickers had been detected.

Once they had located the ring members and it had been learned what activities they were engaged in, they were detained with almost a kilogram of pure cocaine. When the room in which they were lodged was searched, they discovered eight bundles of \$50 and \$100 bills.

The names of the contacts in Peru, Guatemala and the United States have already been furnished to INTERPOL in Mexico, so that, in turn, they might report it to their branches in those countries and the arrest of the criminals might be achieved.

According to information provided by the director and deputy director of the Federal Judiciary Police, Mendiola Cerecero and Joaquin Figueroa Luna, the counterfeiting of \$50 and \$100 bills is on a large scale, because the series are different.



According to what was stated by the police chiefs, the counterfeiting is "almost perfect." Altogether, 1,744 bills were seized.

The bills, the drugs and the detainees were made available to the agent of the Government Attorney's Office.



Jesus Gomez, Julio Cesar Mendoza Quandt, Francisco Urbina and James Mendoza Quandt are four of the seven prisoners, members of a ring of drug traffickers.

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MEXICO

TRAFFICKER'S WIDOW FOUND HOLDING DRUGS FOR MARKETING

Ciudad Juarez EL FRONTERIZO in Spanish 1 Mar 79 Sec A p 2

[Text] Yesterday, Mireya Martínez, widow of Munoz, who was the wife of the drug trafficker Alfredo Munoz Mendez, alias "El Chonene," confirmed her statements to the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, J. Norberto Salinas Navarrete, to the effect that she had actually been trafficking in heroin and cocaine for over 2 years.

According to her statements, these drugs comprised a shipment that "El Chonene" had left in her custody shortly before he was killed in an automobile accident in the state of Sinaloa.

With the announcement yesterday of the arrest of the drug traffickers Mireya, Arturo Lozoya Flores and Gloria Saucedo de Arenas, a well organized ring that had been operating for some time on a large scale and whose transactions involving the purchase and sale of heroin had been bringing it fabulous earnings was broken up.

The Federal Judicial Police, under orders from Comdr Daniel Garcia Canales, learned that heroin was being "pushed" at No 571 57th Street, in the Obrera development.

They "staked out" that location and, last Monday, captured Arturo Lozoya Flores, who at one time was a radio patrol officer for the police inspector's office. Upon being interrogated, he claimed that his cousin, Gloria Saucedo, was actually the one who was marketing the drugs.

Soon afterwards, Gloria was captured while arriving at her home; and she admitted that she had on two occasions sold heroin and cocaine to "customers" in El Paso, at the instruction of Mireya Martínez, widow of Munoz.

She said that, on those two occasions, she had sold an ounce of cocaine each time for \$1,600, and that Mireya had paid her \$300 for these transactions.

Then Gloria took the Federal Judicial Police agents to Mireya's residence, where they arrested her. She turned over the rest of the drugs that she

had in her house, consisting of a bag containing 70 grams of heroin and other packages containing a total of 1 kilogram of cocaine.

Those drugs have an estimated value of 2 million pesos on the United States black market for drugs.

Gloria also admitted that she had been "pushing" drugs at Mireya's "instruction," because this brought her large profits; adding that the customers were people whom she already knew, but she did not give any names, but only vague information, perhaps out of fear that she might be the victim of reprisals.

In her statement, Mireya said that she had the drugs in her possession, because her husband, "El Chonene," had them in their house before he was in the accident which cost him his life.

She made use of her familiarity and contacts with the trafficking rings and Mafia to "market" the drugs in the neighboring country, using Gloria for this purpose.

The agents of the Federal Judicial Police were not satisfied with these statements, and are intensifying the investigation, because it is believed that Mireya still has contacts with international drug traffickers, and possibly all over the world. Several clues that this investigation afforded are being followed up, and it is possible that more arrests may be made in this case.

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MEXICO

HEAD OF TRAFFICKING RING ARRESTED, CONVICTED

'El Lupe' Captured

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 27 Feb 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] Yesterday, Guadalupe Gonzalez Solis, alias "El Lupe," was being subjected to close questioning by the Federal Judicial Police, because they had information that he is head of a well organized ring of drug distributors, according to a report issued by the agency of the Federal Public Ministry.

Approximately 2 grams of cocaine were confiscated from Gonzalez Solis.

The Federal Public Ministry announced that, on Sunday afternoon, federal agents under orders from Comdr Margarito Mendez Rico went to the town of Cerralvo, Nuevo Leon, because they had a tip that an individual named Guadalupe Gonzalez Solis was engaged in drug dealing.

At dusk, the agents discovered and arrested "Lupe" Gonzalez, who was relieved of a small foil envelope containing about 2 grams of cocaine.

The individual in custody was being questioned in detail yesterday, because the cocaine seized from him was apparently only a "sample" of a larger amount that he intended to sell as soon as he found a customer.

Trafficker Jailed

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 2 Mar 79 Sec B p 2

[Text] Yesterday, the day laborer Guadalupe Gonzalez Solis, alias "El Lupe," a native of Cerralvo, Nuevo Leon, was declared officially imprisoned as an individual presumed guilty of committing a crime against health in the degree of cocaine possession. Julian Barberena Gamez, secretary of the third district court, announced that there was sufficient evidence to impose preventive incarceration on the aforementioned person.

"Lupe" Gonzalez was arrested on 25 February, in Gerralvo, Nuevo Leon. He had in his possession a small envelope containing about 2 grams of cocaine, which he intended to use as a "sample" for the purpose of selling 1 kilogram of that drug.

Previously, the Federal Judicial Police had arrested Enrique Estrada Zapata and Daniel Pena Garza, who disclosed that they had information to the effect that "Lupe" Gonzalez was going about offering a kilogram of cocaine for sale.

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MEXICO

TRAFFICKERS KILL FAMILY IN VENDETTA

Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 4 Mar 79 p 30-A

[Article by Lorenzo Diaz Garcia, correspondent]

[Text] Matehuala, San Luis Potosi, 3 March--In Santa Rita, municipality of Venado, San Luis Potosi, a ring of drug traffickers killed Albino and Ascension Arriaga Hernandez, as well as Maria del Consuelo Reina, brother, sister and wife, respectively, of Anacleto Arriaga, and kidnaped the latter's two children, Ascension and Higinio Arriaga. These events occurred early this morning.

The criminals, about 10 armed men, appeared in three vehicles at Arriaga's residence, attacked the house, murdered, kidnaped and fled, apparently, toward this city, about 100 kilometers from the scene of events.

The police, who acted hours later, said that the perpetrators are people connected with drug traffic who kidnaped Anacleto Arriaga, on 22 November 1978, for refusing to deliver a load of marihuana, because he was not paid.

One of his children, unaware at that time that his father was engaged in drug traffic, reported his father's kidnaping to the State Judiciary Police, thinking that a real kidnaping was involved.

As a result of this accusation, the Judiciary Police arrested five individuals -- Rodolfo Felix, Leiza, Ruben Penuelas, Dionisio Velez, all three from Chihuahua, Abel Murillo Armenta, alias El CapitanValdes, and Juventino Murillo, both from Jalisco -- who turned out to be drug traffickers.

Because of their statements, it was suspected that Arriaga was also a drug trafficker and he was arrested for investigation. He turned out to be the supplier of the grass for a vast organization with ramifications in Sonora and Jalisco.

The Judiciary Police, assigned here, stated that at that time they threatened to kill Anacleto Arriaga, if he informed against the ring. Nevertheless, he confessed everything. Therefore, it is believed that the attack and murders, early this morning in Santa Rita, are part of the drug traffickers' vengeance.

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MEXICO

HEROIN TRAFFICKING RING CAPTURED IN SINALOA

Culiacan EL SOL DE SINALOA in Spanish 25 Feb 79 p 12

[Text] The capture of Juan Medrano, or Ignacio Valdez Moreno, enabled the Federal Judicial Police to arrest other individuals who had been engaged, with him, in the purchase, sale and trafficking of drugs in the state of Sinaloa.

Juan Medrano declared that he was a native of the United States (something which could not be proven, because he had no identification papers), and that he had come into the country illegally, by pretending to be Mexican.

His accomplices were Alberto Lopez Cervantes and Lorenzo Aispuro Acosta. The latter was engaged in altering with acids and salts the samples of pure heroin that Juan Medrano purchased, so as to take them later to the United States, where their market was established.

Also arrested was Jesus Lopez Cervantes (Alberto's brother), whom Medrano paid to keep samples, acids and salts at Rancho Nuevo, in the township of Costa Rica.

The other persons under arrest are Cristobal Valenzuela Gutierrez, Guadalupe Lara Felix, Isabel Samano Aguirre, Rafael Galindo Galindo, taxi driver Liberato Bajo Bracamontes, Fermin Arredondo Lopez and stonemason Eucadio Sanchez Beltran, alias "Lalo."

All of them had been collaborating with Medrano "N" in various ways; because those who were not obtaining the samples, were distributing or keeping them.

The confiscation made by the Federal Judicial Police consisted of 135 grams of marihuana seed, 100 grams of poppy seed, 209 grams of salt for cutting, 130 grams of heroin, and bottles containing acids for processing the drugs; as well as a Renault taxi, with license plates 60-TVP, and serial number 3046.



After the preliminary questioning had been completed, the agent of the Federal Public Ministry assigned to Coordination 06 of the Permanent Campaign against the Drug Traffic decided to turn these individuals over to the district judge, so that the pertinent proceedings might be instituted against them for crimes against health in the degrees in which they were committed by each one of the persons under arrest.

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MEXICO

HEROIN, MARIHUANA TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED

Mexicali LA VOZ DE LA FRONTERA in Spanish 21 Feb 79 Sec B p 14

[Text] Mexicali--Driver Silvano Mendez Armenta, aged 46, and Bertha Olguin Aizpuru, aged 38, who claimed to be a cosmetic saleswoman, were captured by the Federal Judicial Police, who seized from them 506 grams of heroin, a kilogram of a substance which they used to increase the volume of the drugs and a precision scale.

The pair have been involved in drug trafficking for some time, although Bertha confessed that they had been engaged in the illegal business since 1975, when she began taking carloads of marihuana from San Luis-Rio Colorado to the Merida communal farm.

Agents of the Federal Judicial Police arrested driver Silvano Mendez Armenta, a native of El Dorado, Sinaloa, residing at 1511 Lerdo Street, as he was driving a 1962 Chevrolet without license plates along Lopez Mateos Highway.

Under the front seat they found four polyethylene bags, each containing five "pedazos" [a little over an ounce] of heroin, making a total of 20 portions, which weighed 506 grams.

He had purchased them for \$1,400 per portion from Bertha Olguin Aizpuru, and intended to sell them to an alleged purchaser for \$1,500 per portion.

With this clue, they apprehended Bertha at her residence at 300 Caracas Street. She is a native of Tamazula, Durango.

From San Luis to Mexicali

Last year, the two drug traffickers moved to Mexicali to reside, as a result of the legal problems that they had in San Luis-Rio Colorado.

Silvano Mendez said that the Federal Judicial Police had arrested an individual nicknamed "El Campas" in the latter town, and seized a "pedazo" of heroin from him. In his confession, he claimed that Silvano had sold it

to him; and the latter had no recourse other than to put some distance between them, and he came to Mexico to live.

#### Olga, an Entire Dossier

According to information provided yesterday by Oscar Felipe Castro San Martin, Olga confessed that she had a restaurant in San Luis-Rio Colorado, called the Cafe Bertha.

From 1975 to 1977, two individuals, Jose "N" and Francisco Amezcua Sanchez, constantly left vehicles outside her establishment.

Those cars were loaded with marihuana, and she was responsible for driving them to the Merida communal farm, receiving between \$500 and \$1,000 per trip, depending on the load that the vehicle contained.

#### She Was Given Heroin

She said that, last year, her sister, Amelia Olguin Aizpuro, arrived at her house from San Luis-Rio Colorado, with 10 portions of pure heroin, which she sold to Jose "N" for \$2,000 per portion, receiving a bonus of \$2,000 from her sister.

Before delivering the drugs, she removed some of the drug from each portion and made another portion, which she turned over to a female relative of hers so that it would not be sold.

Since the Federal Judicial Police were on the trail of the latter, and perhaps were following her also, she decided to move her residence to Mexico.

There, she met Silvano, who had been the common-law husband of her sister, Alicia Olguin Aizpuro, a year before, and who has a cafe on the lower level of the El Quemado pool room.

Since they trusted one another, he told her that he would let her know if there was a customer who wanted to buy heroin.

A month and a half ago, a friend asked her to obtain a portion of heroin for him. It coincided with the visit that Francisco Amezcua Sanchez made to Bertha's new house at 300 Caracas Street, when he sold her six portions of heroin at \$2,400 apiece, and 3 kilograms of a substance which was not a drug, but which is used to increase the volume of heroin, and is known in the underworld as "cut."

There is some discrepancy about the price that she paid for the "cut," because, whereas she told the Federal Judicial Police that she had paid \$100 per kilogram, she told the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Castro San Martin, that she had bought the kilogram for \$300.

Nearly a week later, Gabino "N," a taxi driver who had been her neighbor in San Luis, arrived bringing her three more portions of heroin, which cost \$2,000 apiece.

#### She Increased the Drugs

To this drug she added half a kilogram of "cut," and thus made 25 portions which she concealed in a trash can in the backyard of her house.

Silvano contacted her, first requesting a portion which she sold him for \$1,400 and which he sold for \$1,500, because it was not of good quality.

The next day, Silvano asked her for five more portions to take to the same purchaser, who paid him \$6,000, and he left her owing \$1,500.

Bertha had 19 portions of the drug in her possession, which had already been cut. Silvano went to obtain his \$1,500 from his purchaser, of which amount he was to give Bertha \$1,000.

His customer asked him to bring another 20 portions, saying that he would pay for them all together.

Silvano met with Bertha, and asked her for the 20 portions. At first, she refused to give him so much of the drug at one time, because "it was dangerous;" but, finally, she agreed, and "cut" the heroin again, so as to obtain 20 portions from the 19 that she had left.

Silvano took the four polyethylene bags containing the drugs, to carry them in the purchaser's own car, in which he was arrested by the Federal Judicial Police.

Upon being arrested, Bertha said that about 1.5 kilograms of the "cut" had been thrown away, because it had become wet, and she had to discard it.

Castro San Martin announced that, yesterday, the case was to be turned over to the first judge of the first instance for penal matters, who would assist the federal court with a petition for a warrant for the arrest of Jose "N," Francisco Amezcua Sanchez, Gabino "N," and Amelia and Alicia Olguin Aizpuro.

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MEXICO

GROWERS' REASONS FOR PRODUCING DRUGS EXPLAINED

Piedras Negras EL DIARIO DE PIEDRAS NEGRAS in Spanish 26 Feb 79 pp 1, 4, 7, 8

[Text] Mexico City, 25 February (ANPE)--Mexico and its land are ideal for growing marihuana and poppies, because three quarters of the 31 states that comprise the republic have the weather conditions which "Juanita" [marihuana] and "Amapola" [poppies] require for germination, growth and harvesting, so as to finally reach the "market."

The states containing the largest numbers of marihuana planters and cultivators, in order of production and quality, include: Sinaloa, Oaxaca, Guerrero, Michoacan, Guadalajara, the state of Mexico, Chihuahua, Durango, and others on a smaller scale.

The cost of the grass depends on its quality and the processing that it is given for purposes of selling it. For example, if it is raw, it commands a price of 3 million pesos per ton; to be sure, if it is the "golden" variety, in other words, the Mercita type that Mexico "produces."

If "Juanita has been groomed and polished," of course the price per ton increases, because it is delivered ready to be packaged into joints and distributed in the busy mountains of "green Juanita."

The farmer has been neglected by the SRA [Agrarian Reform Secretariat] and prefers to become associated with the drug traffic.

In a certain village somewhere in the republic, we conversed with Juan, a tall man with dark, sun-tanned skin and a penetrating gaze which scans one from head to toe, as if he were trying to guess whether this was some kind of trap. Juan was surprised at first and, with a rough manner but trying to be pleasant, showed us a road where his children were, and offered us something to eat. We accepted, so as to dispel somewhat the tension in the atmosphere.

We asked the first question without further ado: "What made you lease your property to grow marihuana?"

The rough-mannered farmer scratched his head and smiled: "You see, lady, it is better to accept the money that the drug traffickers offer us some times in exchange for allowing them to plant the grass, rather than wait forever for credit that the Rural Bank is never going to grant us.

"They (referring to the drug traffickers) pay well; they give us from 5,000 to 7,000 pesos a month, which we receive with no strings attached. Besides, we don't have to invest anything; all we have to do is see that the plants grow and, when they are ready, they themselves send us men to pick them. Then they tell us where to leave them, and soon the deal is finished."

"Aren't you afraid that the police will catch you?"

"Sometimes, yes, but then I think that they, too, approve, because my plot is almost in the backyard of the Federal Police, and they have never bothered me about anything. Also, the grass has always been grown here, but the site is changed, because of the danger." The farmer explains: "But it is worthwhile for the money that we make. You know that the children have to eat; those urchins don't understand seasonal land, or waiting for agrarian credit. They scream and ask for beans and tortillas.

"I wanted to plant corn, but it was difficult because of the lack of funds in this region. The loans are kept for a few so-called leaders and representatives of the people. A person cannot make anything.

"When I tried to talk to the gentleman at the bank, all that he told us was that he didn't wait on dirty people; and insofar as credit is concerned, they say that we are starving and have no money with which to pay. But all is not lost; there is always someone who offers a good deal."

"If they take away your plot of land because you are growing marihuana, what will become of your family?"

"Nothing; whatever happens we won't lose, because we never have. The Secretariat of Agrarian Reform only knows how to threaten, but what does it do to solve the problems?"

"Where is your plot? I would like to know where the plants are."

The man laughs aloud at my question, and answers: "I won't tell you that, lady. The only reason that I have talked with you is that my friends introduced me and assured me that you were not an informer, but a good person and not at all malicious. Don't meddle in this; it might be dangerous and it might not, but we had better stop. Come whenever you want; you are welcome. But don't ask anything else."

Convinced that Juan will not have anything more to say, we take our leave of him; but not before giving him our word that all we want is to write an article about the situation being experienced by the farmer who places himself in the hands of those who are poisoning the youth.

The Federal Judicial Police Are Combating the Drug Traffic Notoriously and Constantly

The Federal Judicial Police, for their part, agree that the conversation that we held with the farmer in a village located in the southeastern part of the republic is 100 percent factual. They have started a campaign to create awareness among the Indians and farmers throughout the entire republic. For this purpose, they use slogans, pamphlets and posters on the subject, warning them of the harm that they are inflicting on themselves and on the young population by making their property available for the growing of marihuana and poppies.

They have also offered the farmers assistance in obtaining loans that will enable them to plant legal products which, rather than harming them, would bring them benefits, and they would not have to hide from the police.

The assistant deputy attorney general of the republic, Samuel Alva Leyva, remarked: "This campaign has brought very good results, particularly in Sinaloa and Oaxaca, which are regarded as the leading producers of the injurious grass. Now, many of them are growing corn, wheat, sorghum and other products."

"To date, the planting and cultivation of marihuana and poppies has declined 85 percent, thanks to the personnel that have been provided to the Federal Judicial Police to detect these plantations.

"In the permanent campaign which Mexico has undertaken against the drug traffic, we are receiving cooperation from the United States." Alva Leyva added: "That country sent us an aircraft which, while aloft, can photograph plantations; and, depending on the colors in the photos, it can be ascertained whether the plantations are corn, sorghum, marihuana or poppies."

The official explained that if the only color appearing is green, it is marihuana that is being grown, and if it is purple, the crop is poppies; and, in such instances, they are immediately fumigated.

The Office of the Attorney General of the Republic has outstanding personnel all over the country to combat the planting and cultivation not only of marihuana, poppies and hashish, but also of any other type of drug that may be discovered, according to the statement made by the high-ranking official upon concluding the interview that he granted the ANPE reporter.

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## MEXICO

## BRIEFS

ANTIDRUG CAMPAIGN REPORTS--Mexico City, 26 February--The latest reports from the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic on the antidrug traffic campaign within the nation's borders state that a helicopter from the department in the state of Sinaloa crashed, and that Capt Rafael Vazquez, who was piloting the aircraft, was killed. The incident occurred when the captain and his copilot, Eduardo Sanchez (who is in very serious condition) were returning from the Western Sierra Madre, after having performed a job in which they fumigated marihuana and poppy plantations. The official report from the Attorney General's Office, dated 26 February, also notes that two clandestine landing strips were located northwest of the town of Villa Juarez, in the state of Puebla; a fact which was immediately reported to the local agency of the Public Ministry, which ordered the runways immediately destroyed by the military. Information was also provided on the burning of drugs in the town of Cinco de Mayo, in the state of Durango, under the supervision of the Federal Public Ministry agent assigned to that state. In the presence of military and municipal authorities, 15 kilograms of heroin, 2 of cocaine and 1 of morphine were destroyed. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EI. MANANA in Spanish 27 Feb 79 Sec A p 5] 2909

RESULTS IN VARIOUS STATES--Mexico City, 26 February--Agents of the Federal Judicial Police confiscated over 10 million pesos worth of drugs, consisting of marihuana, heroin, morphine and cocaine, in various actions carried out in different states of the republic. They also arrested 10 traffickers and a "dealer." The main action took place in Tijuana, Baja California, when 2 kilograms and 500 grams of heroin bound for the California area were intercepted. The coordinator of the campaign against drug trafficking in the town of Tijuana, Carlos Aguilar Garza, backed by federal agents, succeeded in capturing Jose Manuel Hidalgo, Gilberto Ruiz Valencia, Felix Alfonso Medina Lopez, Jose Luis Uriarte Felix, and his brother Alfonso; as well as Rosario Carrillo Nunez, Javier Nunez Gomez, Hector Roberto Nunez and Domingo Uriarte Felix. In the town of Culiacan, Sinaloa, Salome Astorga Ramirez was also arrested, having been identified as the main marihuana distributor in that area. A total of 100 kilograms of cannabis indica, ready to be shipped to the black market for drugs, were confiscated from him. Northwest of Villa Juarez, in Puebla, the Federal Judicial Police discovered and destroyed two



clandestine landing strips which had been used by American small planes engaged in shipping marihuana to the United States. Another action carried out during the past 48 hours took place at the side of the highway between Valle Nacional and Oaxaca, near, Tuxtepec, where eight bags of marihuana, each containing 100 kilograms, a press and three hydraulic jacks, were discovered. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 27 Feb 79 Sec A p 5] 2909

PJF DESTROYS POPPY CROPS--During the last 72 hours, agents of the Federal Judiciary Police [PJF] and pilots of the Air Services of the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic destroyed 930 poppy patches that would have been used to produce 50 kilograms of heroin at a cost of 250 million pesos. The patches were in the states of Oaxaca, Sinaloa, Jalisco and Guerrero. Baeza Mendez said that Mexico has already come off the list of the leading heroin producers supplying the black market in the United States. He said that the 930 patches had over 7 million poppy plants all ready to be "slit" and thus to extract some 21 tons of opium gum. Once processed they would have produced a minimum yield of 50 kilograms of heroin. In addition, in the same 72-hour period, the agents of the Judiciary Police and of the Air Services also destroyed 50 marihuana plantations with over 100,000 plants. [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 1 Mar 79 p 32-A] 10042

FIRST QUARTER DRUGS SEIZURES REPORTED--CULIACAN, Sinaloa, 1 March--In the first two months of the year, the Federal Judiciary Police seized 9 billion pesos in drugs in the states of Durango, Chihuahua and Sinaloa. To date, 14.5 tons of marihuana, worth 2 billion pesos; 69.5 tons of marihuana seeds, 1,300 kilograms of poppy gum, 3,034 kilogram of opium gum and almost 500 kilograms of heroin and cocaine have been seized. After reporting the foregoing, the coordinator of the drive against drug traffic in the border states, Cruz Lopez Garza, stated that 122 drug traffickers have been arrested -- four foreigners among them -- and at least 5,000 poppy patches and 110 marihuana plantations have been destroyed. With the support of the Army, he concluded, "we have delivered final blows to drug traffic. The drive will continue until an end is put to that activity." [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 2 Mar 79 p 26-A] 10042

COCAINE SEIZED IN TIJUANA--Tijana, Baja California Norte, 24 February--Today, the Federal Judiciary Police arrested five drug traffickers and seized 2.5 kilograms of pure heroin, worth over 5 million pesos, from them. The persons arrested are Felix Alonso Medina, Gilberto Ruiz Valencia, Luis Manuel Hidalgo, Francisco Meza Medina and Jose Luis Uriarte Felix. They have already been held for trial before the federal judge. The arrest, in house

number 261 on Ensenada Street, Francisco Villa District, took the criminals by surprise and they offered no resistance. The coordinator of the drive against drug traffic, Carlos Aguilar Garza, and the commander of the Federal Judiciary Police, Clemente Moreno Hernandez, stated that this action is the result of long investigations. [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 25 Feb 79 p 28-A] 10042

FORMER PATROLMAN ARRESTED--Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, 28 February--Today, over 1 kilogram of cocaine, worth 6 million pesos, was seized by agents of the Judiciary Police from a former municipal patrolman and two women. The commander, David Garcia Gonzalez, in charge of the arrest of the drug traffickers, stated that they belong to a ring operating on the entire border and cross over into the United States. The persons arrested are Arturo Lozoya Flores, Mireya Martinez widow of Munoz and Gloria Saucedo Arenas, who bought drugs from the first ones mentioned. [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 1 Mar 79 p 32-A] 10042

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VENEZUELA

DRUGS RAID YIELDS FOUR ARRESTS

Caracas EL NACIONAL in Spanish 23 Feb 79 p D-20

[Text] Metropolitan Police intelligence agents found weapons, checkbooks, drugs, automobile license plates, business records and false documents and licenses and made four arrests when they raided an apartment on Andres Bello Avenue.

Inspector Pedro Oswaldo Acosta, chief of investigations of the Metropolitan Police Intelligence Division, added that the prisoners are Amalia Angela Naval, 29; Orlando Enrique Salazar Hernandez, 28; Marina Estela Madrid, 21; and Andres Segundo Peinado Martinez, 26. The raid took place in the building in which there is a well-known department store on Andres Bello Avenue, 7th floor, apartment 71, East Tower.

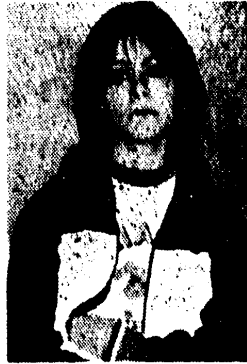
In the room occupied by the couple Orlando Salazar and Amalia Naval, the agents found an M-1 rifle, which had been converted into a short-barreled, high-powered firearm, cartridges, cocaine Mandrax, LSD and marihuana.

The chief of police said that the prisoner Peinado had a record of auto theft and Salazar Hernandez had a record of robbery in several cities in the interior.

The prisoners were turned over to the Judicial Technical Police where an effort is being made to determine whether these individuals took part in recent criminal activities in the metropolitan area, such as swindles and robberies.

A black LTD parked near the building was started with one of the automobile keys found during the raid, as was a blue Dodge Aspen with license plate number HCT 658.

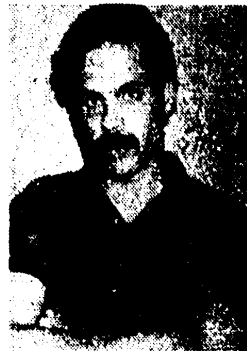
Inspector Acosta explained finally that the police operation at the apartment began with a search for a number of cocaine traffickers in the Sabana Grande area. "We are also seeking several Colombians in this case who were possibly the prisoners' contacts."



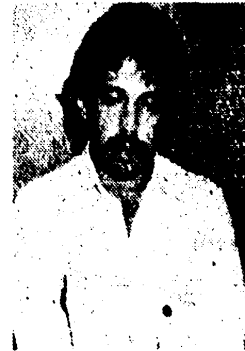
Marina Estela Madrid



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Andres Peinado Martinez



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FRANCE

BRIEFS

DRUGS SEIZED IN STRASBOURG--More and more drugs are being seized in Strasbourg. In February, 60 grams of pure heroin were seized; at the beginning of this week, 10 grams of morphine base were seized; and on Wednesday, 1.5 kg of hashish and more than 1.5 liters of cannabis oil were seized. [Text] [Paris Domestic Service in French 1500 GMT 31 Mar 79 LD]

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NETHERLANDS

TWO INDONESIANS ARRESTED IN AMSTERDAM

Bangkok NATION REVIEW in English 2 Mar 79 p 8 BK

[Text] INTERPOL police have arrested two Indonesian-born drug suspects in Amsterdam in connection with attempting to smuggle 24 kgs of heroin from Bangkok, Thai police said yesterday.

Police said the arrest of the two, both Indonesian origin but holding Dutch passports, was made following a tip-off by Thai authorities late last month.

The two were identified as Wuner Wewengkang and Wao Udin, police said.

Thai Customs officials discovered 48 bags of heroin No 3, weighing 24 kgs, at Don Muang Airport on Feb 21. Part of the heroin was found at the departure lounge and the rest near a counter of KLM.

Police said owners of the heroin managed to board a KLM flight and left the country when Thai Customs officials found the drugs.



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TURKEY

**NARCOTICS TEAMS NET 4 KILOS OF PURE HEROIN**

Istanbul TERCUMAN in Turkish 23 Feb 79 p 7

[Text] Twenty days ago, 2 kilograms of heroin were discovered in a special radiator compartment of an automobile bearing British license plates. In a second search conducted yesterday, four additional kilograms of pure heroin, with a market value of 120 million liras, were found in the car.

Five suspects in the biggest drug-smuggling incident in recent years are under arrest and are being held at Sagmacilar Prison.

**Month-Long Operation**

On 4 February as a result of continuous operations over a period of a month, Istanbul Narcotics Department teams, at the Buyukcekmece-Catalca turnoff, confiscated 2 kilograms of pure heroin from a specially constructed compartment located beneath the radiator in the engine section of a Ford bearing license No TJO 047 P. Apprehended in relation to the smuggling of the narcotics, which have a market value abroad of 60 million liras, were Andreas Hacigil, a British citizen; Variyan Avedikyan, of Armenian origin; Abdurrahman Aydin Akkus; Mehmet Siddik Yildizhan; and Hayadin Adak. Following initial questioning, the five were placed under arrest and held in prison.

**New Search**

Yesterday, narcotics department detectives, continuing their investigation of the heroin-smuggling case, learned, through a tip received by telephone, that more heroin was hidden in the automobile they had in their possession. A second search conducted because of this turned up four additional kilograms of pure heroin in eight bags located in a hidden compartment constructed behind the mudguard on the left front side of the automobile that bears British license No TJO 047 P.

Officials stated that the 4 kilograms of heroin confiscated in the second search has a foreign market value of 120 million liras and that their investigation continues.

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TURKEY

REDUCTION NOTED IN OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION IN AFYON

Istanbul MILLIYET in Turkish 8 Mar 79 p 11

[Text] As a result of a Ministerial Council decision to reduce the amount of land which may be planted in opium poppies from 5 dekaras to 3 dekaras, it has been learned that opium poppy cultivation in Afyon administrative district and surrounding villages has dropped from 50,000 dekaras to 21,000 dekaras.

With a reduction in the amount of land a family may plant in opium poppies from 5 dekaras to 3 dekaras in 1978, 3,000 families have given up opium poppy cultivation and, thus, fields under opium poppy cultivation have dropped by 68 percent in comparison to the figure for 1978. In 1978, 10,000 families cultivating 50,000 dekaras of opium poppies produced 1,500 tons of opium capsules and received in exchange 37.5 million lira.

As a result of the reduction in permissible cultivation to 3 dekaras, 7,000 families received permission to cultivate a total of 21,000 dekaras of land. The producers, pointing out that "the Ministerial Council decision has left them in a difficult position," requested that "the amount of permissible cultivation be raised once again to 5 dekaras." They stated: "If the limit is not raised to 5 dekaras, the nation's oil needs will increase in direct proportion to this reduction and an important source of income will have been restricted."

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TURKEY

BRIEFS

HEROIN ARREST--One person wanted in connection with the 7.5 kilos of heroin seized in the FRG some time ago was caught in Siirt's Batman District today. The suspect was caught with 7.5 kilos of heroin in the FRG and had escaped in October last year. The suspect has reportedly admitted to his crime during his first interrogation. [Ankara Domestic Service in Turkish 1600 GMT 27 Mar 79 TA]

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