

## Government of Gibraltar Customs Department

## <u>Press Release</u>

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## CUSTOMS SEIZE 100,000 CIGARETTES

As a result of a covert Customs operation, officers from the Flexible Anti Smuggling Team impeded the illegal exportation of 100,000 cigarettes from the eastern side of the Rock. The boxes were seen being unloaded from a vehicle and before these could be exported by sea, officers apprehended the cigarettes together with a local 17 year old resident. The cigarettes have been seized and the person is currently on bail.

On a separate incident, a 36 year old Spanish national was arrested on a motorcycle in the area of Winston Churchill Avenue whilst carrying 18 cartons of cigarettes (a commercial quantity). The vehicle and cigarettes have been seized and the person is on bail.