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HM Customs seizures -2 arrests

A local man appeared in the magistrates' Court this morning charged with the importation and possession of 7.2g cannabis resin. 20 year old Daniel VELASCO was stopped by Customs at the Land Frontier as he walked in from Spain yesterday. He was arrested after being searched and found to be in possession of the class B drug.

VELASCO entered guilty pleas to both charges and was sentenced to a £500 fine with a custodial sentence of 50 days in default of payment.

In a separate incident, 43 year old Eunan McDAID was arrested after Officers of HM Customs saw him acting suspiciously in a car park within Ocean Village. The Irish national was found to be in possession of 19,000 cigarettes (95 cartons) and was charged under the provisions of the Tobacco Act.

The cigarettes and a Spanish registered vehicle have been seized by HM Customs.

Pursuant to a guilty plea, McDAID was sentenced to a £1,700 fine by the Magistrate this morning.