

## HM GOVERNMENT OF GIBRALTAR

HM CUSTOMS Custom House Waterport



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## **HM Customs Arrests**

HM Customs continue the fight against drug smuggling. In an operation conducted over the last 24 hours, the newly formed Flexible Anti-Smuggling Team arrested a local 33 year old male on suspicion of an internal concealment of drugs. The suspect was stopped at approximately 8pm on the 12th October a as he drove into Gibraltar on an Audi motor vehicle.

Officers searched the vehicle with the aid specialist drug itemiser detectors, this giving a high reading to the presence of cocaine. Having exhausted all search options, Officers were suspicious of an internal concealment and exercised their powers of detention. The suspect was kept in Customs cells under constant supervision and during the course of yesterday expelled one package containing cocaine.

The total weight of cocaine seized is estimated to be approximately 20 grams and has a street value of approximately £1200. The suspect has been released on police bail until the 19th January.