



## SINGAPORE POLICE FORCE AND SINGAPORE CUSTOMS JOINT NEWS RELEASE

## POLICE AND CUSTOMS SEIZED MORE THAN 600 COUNTERFEIT GOODS

The Police have arrested a 28-year-old woman for her suspected involvement in the importation and sale of counterfeit goods.

- 2. On 15 January 2023, the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority intercepted a consignment originating from a foreign country that consisted of more than 50 bottles of perfume and alerted Singapore Customs of it. Singapore Customs checked with the rights holders on the authenticity of the perfume and referred the case to the Police.
- 3. Follow-up investigation and raids conducted by officers from the Criminal Investigation Department at various locations in Singapore then led to the arrest of the suspect. During the 14-hour operation, more than 600 pieces of purported trademark-infringing goods comprising perfumes, apparel and stationery sets, with an estimated street value of more than S\$47,000 were seized. Police investigations are ongoing.
- 4. Under the Trade Marks Act 1998, the offence of importing, selling or distributing goods with falsely applied trademarks carries a fine up to \$100,000, an imprisonment term of up to five years, or both.
- 5. The Police take a serious view of intellectual property rights infringement and would like to remind the public that the importation, distribution and sale of counterfeit goods are serious offences. The Police will not hesitate to take tough action against perpetrators who profit at the expense of legitimate businesses and consumers.

## **Case Exhibits Seized**

(Photo: Singapore Police Force)



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