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Aussie man held over drugs

KUALA LUMPUR: An Australian was arrested for possessing 225g of methamphetamine at a cafe in Jalan Yap Kwan Seng here last week.

The suspect, a 32-year-old lorry driver from Perth, was staying in a condominium in Jalan Yap Kwan Seng.

He was kept under surveillance by police here who were suspicious as he had been in and out of the country several times in the past month.

Following intelligence reports, plainclothes policemen picked him at a cafe on Thursday evening where the drugs were found on him before he led them to his RM4,000 a month rented unit.

Police sources said that in follow-up operations, they picked up two locals and a Filipina near the unit, believed to be part of a drug-trafficking syndicate.

Sources said the two locals had previous convictions for drug-related offences.

Police are now trying to ascertain what was the Australian's role in the syndicate.

It is understood that the Australian told his landlord that he worked as foreign exchange trader.