

## Customs nab three African drug mules at KLIA

SEPANG: Three African men were nabbed by Customs officials at KL International Airport for drug trafficking.

Investigations revealed that each of the suspects had swallowed between 70 and 75 capsules containing methamphetamine (syabu), worth a total RM1.05mil.

Two Nigerians and a Guinea national were remanded on Feb 28, said Customs Department assistant director-general (enforcement) [Datuk Zainul Abidin Taib](#).

"The three had the same *modus operandi* but we cannot yet determine if they had worked for the same syndicate," Zainul told a press conference at the Customs Complex here yesterday.

The first Nigerian, 30, was arrested at 7.45pm after officials found the man, who had arrived from Cairo, behaving suspiciously.

An hour and a half later, his compatriot, 38, who arrived from Cameroon was also detained.

The Guinea national, 37, who had arrived on the same flight, was also detained.

The three had swallowed 4.23kg of drugs collectively.

A separate arrest was made last Saturday, where another Nigerian, aged 34, was found with 81 packets of the drugs in his digestive tract.

Zainul said the suspects had entered the country on social visit passes.

"The suspects said they were promised between US\$2,000 (RM6,603) and US\$3,000 (RM9,095)," Zainul said.