

Drugs on wheels

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Bukit Aman Narcotics Criminal Investigation Department director Comm DatukSeri Mohd Mokhtar Hj Mohd Shariff and deputy director Deputy Comm Datuk Mohd Dzuraidi Ibrahim show the seized syabu at a press conference in police headquarters at Bukit Aman. SUNPIX by SHAHRILL BASRI

KUALA LUMPUR: Police nabbed two foreigners and seized RM2 million worth of syabu hidden inside 10 Segways (a two-wheeled, self-balancing, battery-powered electric vehicle) in Kajang on Monday.

Acting on a tip-off, Bukit Aman Narcotics Criminal Investigation Department director Comm Datuk Seri Mohd Mokhtar Mohd Shariff said, the police together with the Special Tactical Intelligence Narcotics Group (STING) pulled a car over driven by a Republic of Guinea national.

On checking, he added, they found 10.2kg of drugs believed to be syabu stashed in 10 Segways in the vehicle.

The 37-year-old man who was arrested led police to raid a house in Taman Sepakat Indah where they detained a 35-year-old Nigerian believed to be his accomplice.

Police investigations revealed that the drugs imported from China were meant for local distribution. The case is being investigated under Section 39B of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952 which carries the mandatory death sentence upon conviction.

Mokhtar said police had seized drugs worth RM227 million from Jan to Nov 22 this year with the arrest of 164,650 individuals involved in trafficking, distribution, possession and tested positive for drug intake.

Of those detained, 6,293 were foreigners which includes 130 Nigerians.

Mokhtar said 50% of the foreigners detained were those on student visas