

Colombian Police Seize 1.2 Tons of Cocaine



Bogota, January 24 (RHC-PL) -- Colombian police seized 1,234 kilograms of cocaine in the country's northern Cordoba department, and captured two suspected members of a major criminal ring, authorities said on Thursday.

The cocaine, with an estimated street value of 30 million U.S. dollars, was found inside a tank truck traveling on a road between Cordoba and neighboring Antioquia department.

The cache of illicit drugs was heading for the European and U.S. markets, where it would fetch three times its original value, a police report said.

The two suspected gang members captured attempted to offer the officers on duty 300 million Colombian pesos (about 150,300 U.S. dollars) to let them go, police said. The latest seizure brings to 2,284 kilograms the amount of cocaine confiscated in the past two months in Cordoba.

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