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CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND
REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SEIZURES OF 3 KGS. 713 GRAMMES OF MARIHUANA AND 0.832 GRAMME
OF MARIHUANA SEEDS AT POINTS ON OR NEAR THE MEXICAN BORDER AND
ON THE PACIFIC COAST DURING THE MONTHS OF MARCH AND APRIL 1946

Report No. 1132 communicated by the Government of the
United States of America, June 17, 1946.

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for Limiting
the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs
of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946,
the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following
report on the above-mentioned seizures to the Members of the United
Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

UNITED STATES TREASURY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NARCOTICS
WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 17, 1946

Date of seizure:	See dates given below
Place of seizure:	See places listed below
Name of person or firm implicated:	See defendants named below
Name of ship:	See "Remarks" below
Coming from:	See "Remarks" below
Kind and Quantity of drugs seized:	8 pounds, 3 ounces, 85.4 grains (3 kgs. 713 grs.) of marihuana; 13 grains (0.832 grs.) net, of mari- huana seeds. The marihuana consisted of the dried, pulverized flowering tops and leaves of the cannabis plant in the form most frequently encountered in the United States.
Origin of manufacture (marks, labels, etc.):	No identifying marks or labels See "Remarks" below.

Where shipped or forwarded from: See "Remarks" below
Forwarding agents or consignors: See "Remarks" below
Destination or address: United States

Remarks:

There is given below a summary of marihuana (cannabis) seizures effected at points on or near the Mexican border and on the Pacific Coast during the months of March and April 1946, respectively:

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, March 10, 1946.
Names of defendants: Zacharias RAMOS, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 3 grains(0.192 gr.)

One marihuana cigarette, smuggled from Juarez, Mexico.

Place and date of seizure: Tucson, Arizona, March 16, 1946.
Names of defendants: Jose Luis MONTANO, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 262.5 grains(16.8 grammes)

The defendant was arrested by Tucson police who found 18 marihuana cigarettes in his possession. He admitted having smuggled the cigarettes into the United States from Agua Prieta, Mexico.

Place and date of seizure: Hidalgo, Texas, March 19, 1946
Names of defendants: Jacinto EREBLA, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 91.8 grains(5.88 grammes)

One roll of bulk marihuana, smuggled from Reynosa, Mexico.

Place and date of seizure: Laredo, Texas, March 20, 1946.
Names of defendants: Odessa WILLIAMS, American negress.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 7 ounces, 325 grains(219.45 grammes)

Bulk marihuana, smuggled from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, in a cotton cloth tied to the waist of the defendant.

Place and date of seizure: Laredo, Texas, March 20, 1946.
Names of defendants: John Wesley MORRIS, American negro.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 14 ounces, 98 grains(403.17 grammes)

MORRIS, accompanied by Odessa WILLIAMS and two other negroes, arrived from Nuevo Laredo. When searched, a quantity of bulk marihuana was found tied around the waist of MORRIS in a cotton cloth and woollen scarf.

Place and date of seizure: Laredo, Texas, March 20, 1946.
Names of defendants: Stephen C. WARREN, American negro.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 9 ounces, 371 grains(278.9 grammes)

WARREN, accompanied by Odessa WILLIAMS, John Wesley MORRIS, and one other negro, arrived from Nuevo Laredo. A quantity of bulk marihuana was found tied to WARREN's waist by a cotton cloth.

Place and date of seizure: Laredo, Texas, March 20, 1946.
Names of defendants: Sylvester WHITE, American negro.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 7 ounces, 189 grains(210.55 grammes)
WHITE, accompanied by the three negroes mentioned above, arrived from Nuevo Laredo, and a quantity of marihuana was found tied to his waist under a cotton cloth.

Place and date of seizure: Hidalgo, Texas, March 20, 1946.
Names of defendants: Gonzalo Obscura DOMINGUEZ, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 27.3 grains(1.75 grammes)

Bulk marihuana, smuggled from Reynosa.

Place and date of seizure: San Ysidro, California, March 21, 1946
Names of defendants: Alberto Rodriguez FONTES, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 15 ounces,(425.25 grammes)

When FONTES arrived from Tijuana, Mexico, a sack of bulk marihuana was found concealed in his automobile.

Place and date of seizure: Hidalgo, Texas, March 22, 1946.
Names of defendants: Jose GONZALEZ Gutierrez, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 2 ounces, 5 grains(57.02 grammes)

One paper sack of loose marihuana, smuggled from Reynosa.

Place and date of seizure: Anthony, New Mexico, March 24, 1946.
Names of defendants: Guillermo AGUIRRE, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 1 ounce, 157.5 grains(38.43 grammes)

The defendant was apprehended by immigration officers who found 35 rolls of loose marihuana in his possession which he had smuggled from Juarez.

Place and date of seizure: Hidalgo, Texas, March 25, 1946.
Names of defendants: Manuel GUTIERREZ Aldape, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 1 ounce (28.35 grammes).

One paper sack of bulk marihuana, smuggled from Reynosa.

Place and date of seizure: Hidalgo, Texas, March 27, 1946.
Names of defendants: Juan ORTIZ, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 13.3 grains(0.85 gramme)

One roll of loose marihuana weighing 11.5 grains (0.73 gramme) and one marihuana cigarette, weighing 1.8 grains (0.12 gramme) smuggled from Reynosa.

Place and date of seizure: Wilmington, California, March 29, 1946.
Names of defendants: G.W.CALENDINE, American citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 13 grains(0.832 gramme)marihuana seeds
31 grains(0.26 gramme)loose marihuana

When the American steamship NASHUA VICTORY arrived from the Canal Zone, a box containing marihuana and marihuana seeds was found in the locker of CALENDINE, a crewman.

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, March 30, 1946.
Names of defendants: Jose Ricardo QUEMIRO, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 25 grains(0.45 gramme)

Two marihuana cigarettes smuggled from Juarez.

Place and date of seizure: Fabens, Texas, March 31, 1946.
Names of defendants: Unknown. American citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 4 pounds, 5 ounces(1 kg. 955 grammes)

Deputy sheriffs found a package of loose marihuana in a vacant house, and turned it over to customs.

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, March 31, 1946.
Names of defendants: John LATLIP, American citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 182 grains(11.68 grammes)

Arrested by local police, LATLIP purchased the marihuana from a Mexican named Jesus MENDEZ in Juarez.

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, March 31, 1946.
Names of defendants: Carlos AGUILAR, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 108 grains(7 grammes)

Arrested by local police. The defendant stated he had smuggled 11 marihuana cigarettes from Juarez.

Place and date of seizure: McNary, Texas, April 3, 1946.
Names of defendants: Cosmo GONZALEZ, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 1 ounce, 211.5 grains(42.08 grammes)

Twenty-nine marihuana cigarettes, smuggled from Mexico. The defendant was arrested by immigration officers.

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, April 3, 1946.
Names of defendants: Santos LOPEZ, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 96 grains(6.2 grammes)

Eight marihuana cigarettes, smuggled from Juarez.

Place and date of seizure: San Ysidro, California, April 7, 1946.
Names of defendants: Unknown
Quantities of marihuana seized: 64 grains (4.15 grammes)

Eight marihuana cigarettes, found in an automobile which arrived from Tijuana. No arrests were made.

Place and date of seizure: El Paso, Texas, April 8, 1946.
Names of defendants: Onofre ALVARDO, Mexican citizen.
Quantities of marihuana seized: 12 grains(0.77 gramme)

One marihuana cigarette, smuggled from Juarez.

(signed) H. J. Anslinger
Commissioner of Narcotics