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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

CANADA

SEIZURE OF HEROIN MADE AT TORONTO ON 14 JANUARY 1947

Report No. 49 Communicated by the Government of Canada
on 3 November 1947

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.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

No. 49

1. Name of person or persons implicated: Max Hoffman (Canadian: American Jew) (occupation: Tanner) (born Aug. 26, 1910)
2. Date of Seizure: Jan. 14, 1947
3. Place of Seizure: Toronto, Ont.
4. Kind and quantity of drug seized: 44 capsules Heroin
5. Act and Section under which charged: Opium and Narcotic Drug Act Sec. 4(1) (d) "Illegal Possession of Diacetylmorphine"
6. Result of prosecution:
 - (a) Date sentenced: March 14, 1947
 - (b) Where sentenced: Toronto, Ont.
 - (c) Sentence: 1 year: fined \$200 (USA \$200) or 3 months
7. REMARKS:

Having received information on the evening of January 14th, 1947, that Hoffman was in possession of a quantity of narcotics for sale to addicts, observation on his activities was maintained by both Federal and City Police Officers. At about midnight Hoffman, accompanied by John Joseph Murphy, was seen coming across a vacant piece of land at the rear of Murphy's residence. In a laneway nearby both were grabbed and after a somewhat hectic flight in which cuts and bruises were suffered on both sides, the pair were subdued. No narcotics were found on the person of either but at the feet of Hoffman a contraceptive, which he was endeavouring to stamp into the snow, was recovered; in it were 44 capsules of Heroin. Both were arrested and charged, the case against Murphy being dismissed. Hoffman, on pleading Guilty, was sentenced as stated; the Drug Act sentence is to run consecutive with three months awarded under the Criminal Code for Theft.

JS/JC
Ottawa, Ont.,
November 1, 1947

(signed) K. C. Hossick
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Chief, Narcotic Division