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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 5.4 GRAMMES OF DIACETYLMORPHINE MADE AT
WINDSOR, ONTARIO, ON 10 AUGUST 1947

Report No. 48 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. 48

1. Name of person or persons implicated: Edward Colston MORGAN (Canadian)
(Occupation: Labourer) (Born: December 12, 1925)
2. Date of Seizure: Aug. 10, 1947
3. Place of Seizure: Windsor, Ont.
4. Kind and quantity of drug seized: Diacetylmorphine: 42 capsules
(2 grs.) = 84 grs. (5.4 grammes)
5. Act and Section under which charged: Opium and Narcotic Drug Act
Sec. 4(1)(d) "Unlawful Possession"
6. Result of prosecution:

(a) Date sentenced: Sept. 17, 1947

(b) Where sentenced: Windsor, Ont.

(c) Sentence: 12 months, fined \$200 (U.S.A.\$200) or 6 months

7. REMARKS: Subject of this report is said to be a carrier for a "Syndicate" trafficking narcotics between Toronto and Windsor, Ont., so when it was learned on Aug. 1st, 1947, that he had reached Windsor in company with Edward Guiller, alleged to be a fairly big narcotic trafficker in Toronto and who was well off financially, steps were immediately taken to apprehend one or both whilst in possession. From a contact, however, it was gathered that Guiller, who had already disposed of some two hundred capsules of Heroin (adulterated) at \$5.00 (U.S.A.\$5.) a capsule, had returned to Toronto, leaving Morgan behind to carry on with his nefarious traffic. Investigation, therefore, centred around Morgan from whom, on August 7th, an agent purchased four capsules of Heroin for the sum of \$20.00 (U.S.A.\$20.00) (each capsule contained approximately two grains) (0.13 gramme). This purchase was covered by Federal operatives who arranged for a further purchase to be made on the 11th August, which would also be covered. In the interim, however, it was intimated to our Officers that Morgan would in all probability be leaving Windsor for Toronto on the evening of the 10th and that he would then be carrying on his person his main supply of narcotics. Observation tactics were hurriedly changed and when Morgan was seen walking along the main street at 10.35 p.m. he was immediately accosted. A search of Morgan revealed 38 capsules of Heroin in his left shirt pocket. He was duly charged with "illegal possession" and on appearing before the Magistrate on the 11th August was remanded. The seriousness with which His Honor viewed this trafficking in narcotics is realised when he set bail at \$10,000 (U.S.A.\$10,000), an amount Morgan was unable to raise.

Morgan duly came to trial on Sept. 17th, 1947 when he pleaded Guilty and received the somewhat substantial sentence recorded above.

This is Morgan's first conviction under the Drug Act and his peddling activities at Windsor were of short duration.

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

(signed) K.C. Hossick
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