
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

EGYPT

SEIZURE OF NARCOTIC DRUGS MADE AT SUEZ ON 29 JULY 1947

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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 seizure to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

Seizure of 70 Morphine ampoules, 1 Bottle containing Morphine Liquid, 13 Cocaine Ampoules, 6 Atropine Ampoules, 3 Apomorphine Ampoules, 3 Pilocarpine Ampoules, 3 Adrenaline Ampoules, 2 Physostigmine Ampoules, 3 Homatropine Ampoules, 3 Florencine Ampoules, 9 Strychnine Ampoules, 2 Digitaline Ampoules and 6 Tubes containing Quinine Tablets, at Suez on 29/7/1947

(Case of Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal and another.)

Upon information to the effect that certain German prisoners of war, interned at Fayed Camp are selling narcotic drugs stolen from the Royal Medical Corps of the British Army, the Ismailia CNIB. Branch made the necessary enquiries which revealed that Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal ship-chandler of Suez who is a notorious trafficker, had bought a large quantity of the said drugs. Consequently the necessary arrangements were conjointly made by both Ismailia and Suez CNIB. Branches for the arrest of Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal en flagrant Delit.

A CNIB. confidant managed to contact Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal as an intermediary and promised to find him a buyer. On July 29th., 1947, the confidant accompanied by a CNIB. constable acting as pseudo-buyer proceeded to the office of Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal to complete the transaction and at the same time a CNIB. Force was detailed to be in the vicinity for the raid of the office at the pre-arranged signal. Sobhi Mohd. Abu El Regal ordered his servant Hassan Moussa Mohammed to bring in the narcotic drugs and as the drugs were brought into the office, the constable gave the pre-arranged signal and the office was immediately raided. Sobhi Mohd. Abu El Regal resisted the force but in vain and the following quantities which were found on the desk of Abu El Regal were seized:-

70 Morphine Ampoules	6 Atrophine Ampoules
1 Bottle containing Morphine Liquid	3 Pilocarpine "
13 Cocaine Ampoules	2 Physostigmine "
3 Apomorphine Ampoules	3 Florencine "
3 Adrenaline "	2 Digitaline "
3 Homatropine "	6 Tubes containing Quinine Tablets
9 Strychnine "	

Sobhi Abu El Regal denied the ownership of the drugs and pretended that the constable had brought them with him. Hassan Moussa Mohammed stated that he did not know that what he had brought were narcotics. On October 29th, 1947 Sobhi Mohammed Abu El Regal and Hassan Moussa Mohammed were tried by the Summary Native Court, Suez and sentenced to imprisonment for 1 year and a fine of LE.200 each. (U.S.A. \$826.88)

The source of origin of the seized drugs is under enquiry.