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Woman Who Arrived at Henry E. Rohlsen Airport With 6.6 Kilograms of Marijuana is Sentenced

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Henry E. Rohlsen Airport on St. Croix.

ST. CROIX — U.S. Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert announced Wednesday that Yvette Simeina, aged 41, was sentenced to two years of probation and a \$1,000 fine for attempting to smuggle 6.6 kilograms of marijuana through the Henry E. Rohlsen Airport on St. Croix.

Simeina pleaded guilty on November 22, 2021 to possession with intent to distribute marijuana, a felony offense.

According to court documents, on February 23, 2021, Simeina traveled from Miami, Florida and arrived at the Henry E. Rohlsen Airport. While conducting inspection of checked luggage, the CBP detected certain anomalies in Simeina's luggage. Upon further inspection, CBP found 6.6 kilograms of marijuana hidden inside wooden boxes.

This case was investigated by Customs and Border Patrol, Department of Homeland Security.

This effort was part of an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) operation. OCDETF identifies, disrupts, and dismantles the highest-level criminal organizations that threaten the United States using a prosecutor-led, intelligence-driven, multi-agency approach. Additional information about the OCDETF Program can be found at <https://www.justice.gov/OCDETF>.