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- Under authority of Minister of the Interior;
- Competent on the complete Belgian territory¹;
- Main responsibility:
 - to execute specialized and supra local missions of judiciary and administrative police;
 - respecting the principles of speciality and subsidiarity;
 - Supporting Local Police & Police Authorities.
- About 13000 police officers;



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¹ including territorial waters, adjacent area and exclusive economic zone, Art 17 Law 03 may 1999



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Administrative vs Judicial Police



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- **Administrative Police:**
 - Public order, safety, health;
 - Control on compliance with laws & regulations;
 - Prevention of crimes;
 - Protection of persons, institutions & goods;
- **Judicial Police :**
 - Investigation of criminal offences;
 - Arresting suspects & wanted persons;
 - Seizure of items.

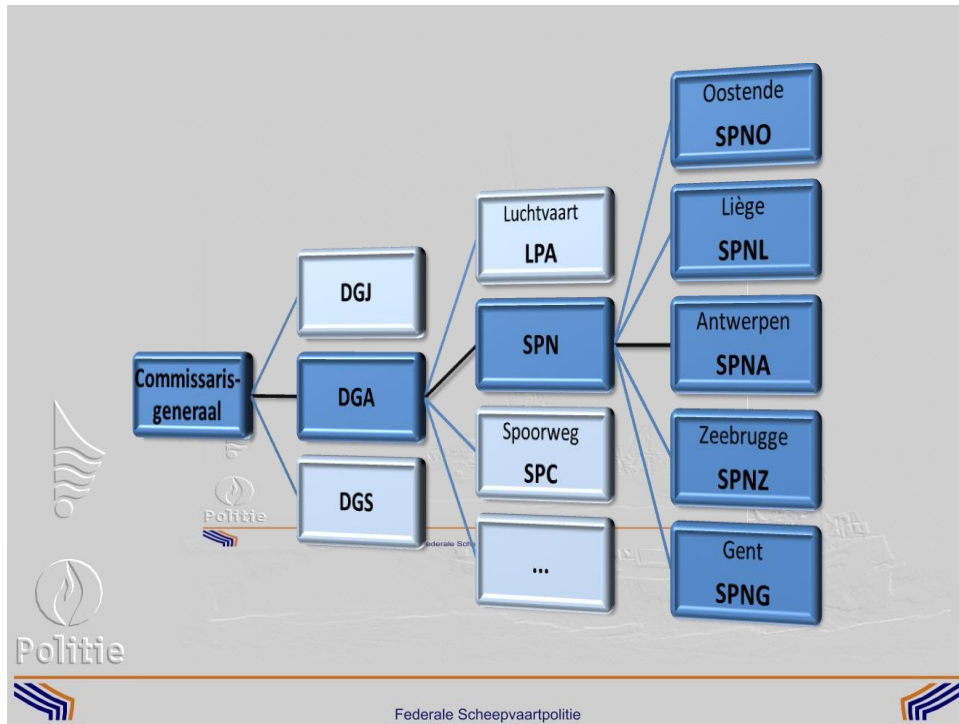


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Responsibilities



- Maritime Border Control
- Maritime Policing
- Port Policing (harbour)

- Antwerp
- Ostend
- Zeebrugge
- Ghent
- Liege



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Powers (in accordance 03 may 99 Law)

1. Enter ships and vessels at all times;
2. Claim the inspection of all bussines documents;
3. Claim the collaboration of the commander;
4. Visitation of all ships and vessels day and night, excluding the residence(s) acting as home;
5. Inspect and take samples of the cargo, including the cargo on the quai or in warehouses and coming from or intended for transportation by water;



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therefor is authorized to :



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Powers (in accordance 03 may 99 Law)

...

- open packages;
- take samples ;

the above-mentioned proceedings do not lead to any form of compensation

6. Claim to stop a ship and transfer it to a designated location where it will be discharged;
7. During the execution of her competences, withhold the ship or vessel for the time strictly necessary. The time during the ship or vessel was withheld on a legal basis
no form of compensation can be claimed;



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Means

Patrol vessel 'SPN 14'

Ussage: Stream (scheldt)



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Means

Patrol vessel 'SPN 19'

Ussage: docks & channels



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'SPN 07'

Usage: Multi purpose



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Means

Vision

Endoscopic camera



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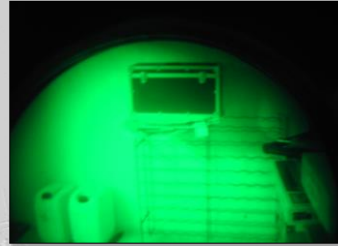


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Means

(night) Vision

Light amplifier



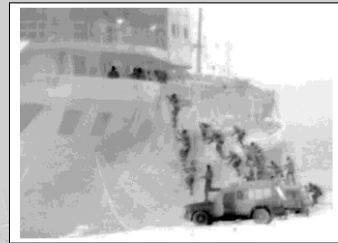
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Means

(night) Vision

Thermal camera



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Detection

Mass-spectro analyzer

- Narcotics;
- Explosives;



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Detection

CO2 detector



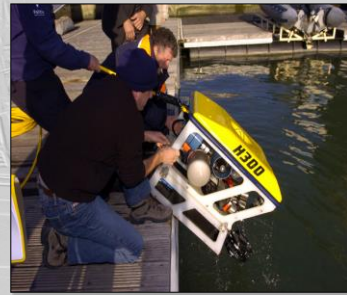
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Detection

Remote Operated Vehicle



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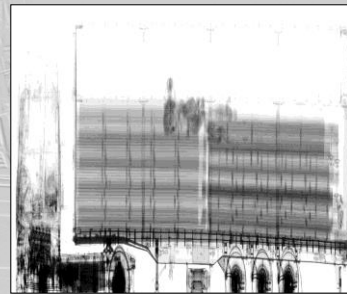
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Detection

Mobile cargo scanner



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Immigration dog(s)



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Detection

(Immigration) dog



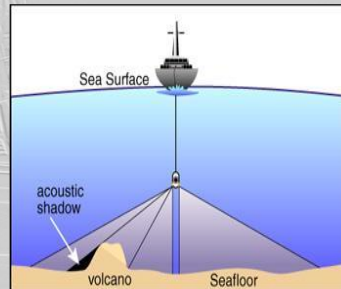
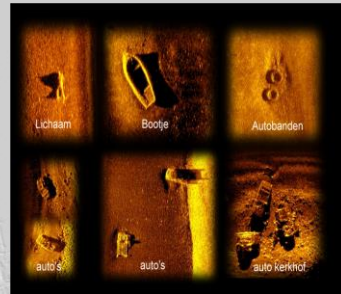
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Means

Detection

Side Scan Sonar



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Unmanned Surface Vessel

- BlueView Sonar (mounted)
- Side Scan Sonar (possible)



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Other means (Fed Pol)

Air support

- Thermal Camera Mounted
- Digital registration of images



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Maritime Information Crossroad



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Priorities¹

- armed thefts;
- violence in public places, in particular on public transport and city gangs;
- narcotics, in particular the im- and export of cocaine, the production- and smuggle of synthetic drugs, cannabis and drug dealing;
- illegal firearms fraud;
- (nautical) terrorism;
- domestic violence and violence against women;
- human trafficking (sexual- and economic exploitation) and people smuggling;
- cybercrime;
- fraud, in particular, social-, tax- and waste management fraud;
- burglaries in homes and other buildings;



National Security Plan 2012-2015

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Waste fraud chart 2012-2015

- Waste fraud: a priority in crime fighting:
 - With an important role for different partners
 - Which are: LNE, OVAM, douane, havenbedrijf,...
 - Judicial authorities: FGP, Lokale politie, TST, AIK, ...
 - Cooperation: working together as a team



Obstacles

- In-depth investigation: complex regulations (european-national/ go&get crime/ organised crime/ working as legal companies (on private terrain))
- Expertise/ competence of the police officers
- Economical benefit vs environmental damage



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Chart of action SPN :

- Local initiatives supporting security chart
- Playing a key role within coordinated approach
- Responsible for integration of all results within a measurement plan, in order to get an integrated view on the problem



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Strategic goals

Monitoring heavy environmental crime
in Antwerp-harbour.

Especially organised waste fraud.

Doing this through skilled research.



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Heavy environmental crimes answer at least

1 of 5 following criteria + 6th criteria:

1. Intention to harm
2. Real risk for environment
3. Danger public health
4. Extraordinary trouble for the surroundings
5. The offender gains a high financial benefit committing the violation;



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Final criteria

6. when all existing sanctions and procedures, known to exist to react on the committed crime, don't help (judgement by the public attorney).



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Efforts/ goals

- **FOD Financiën (customs):**

High awareness and checking illegal transports of waste



- 1. risk analyse illegal waste transports -> scanning
- 2. Apply customs laws.



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Federal Police SPN team illegal waste

- Raising coordinated checks on waste transports, together with environment-inspection and customs.



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Federal Police – department of environment

- Advice, Analyse and Statistics



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Federal Police FGP

- Further research & exploitation of relevant information, which is received from other partners A.A.P
- Realising multidisciplinary deliberation and cooperation within already running cases/researches



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District Attorney

- Leads investigation
- Availability for support when criminal facts are uncovered by police investigation.



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Environmental inspection

- Competent authority – knowledge!
- Finalising the number of coordinated actions of the import, export, transit of waste transports using data delivered by customs
- Selection on site through booking lists or export documents
- Follow-up running cases



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OVAM

- Raise the probability of detection of illegal waste transports.
- administrative management and announcement when sending back illegal transports in case of import & export (not transit).



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LOCAL POLICE FORCE

- Awareness for 'environment related crimes' when patrolling the streets
- Apply script/scenario "WASTE"



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Container selection through:

- Booking lists
- Annex VII
- Fysically on quay/on road-transport



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CASE STUDY: EVOA-check

- Place: Antwerp Harbour, quai 1700
- Country of origin: Netherlands
- Country of destination: China
- Type of waste: Non-specified mixture of hazardous & non-hazardous waste
- Containers involved: DRYU93501550 & EITU1288791



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HOW?

- By checking documents on quai (annex VII-Notification doc) → selecting containers
- By demanding booking lists through shipping agencies → selection based on destination & content



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- In this case the booking lists were asked through **EVERGREEN** (shipping agency)
- Shipping would have happened with the vessel **COSCO ENGLAND**, destination CHINA



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- After selection by our office the containers are placed within the FREE ZONE (Quarantine)
- at the same time we demand Annex VII, document of notification, ...



- Then we physically open the containers
- Safety first !



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Container Check

USING:

- Chains
- Air-measurement inside the container
- Wire-shears



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→ We were notified by the harbour captain that one of the containers was leaking liquids....

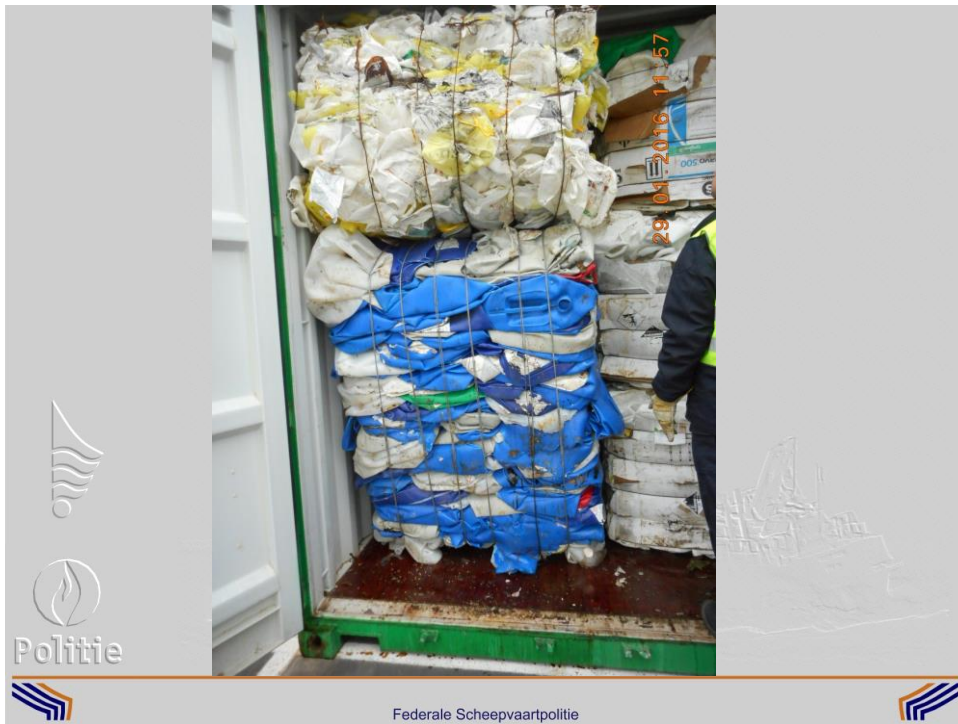


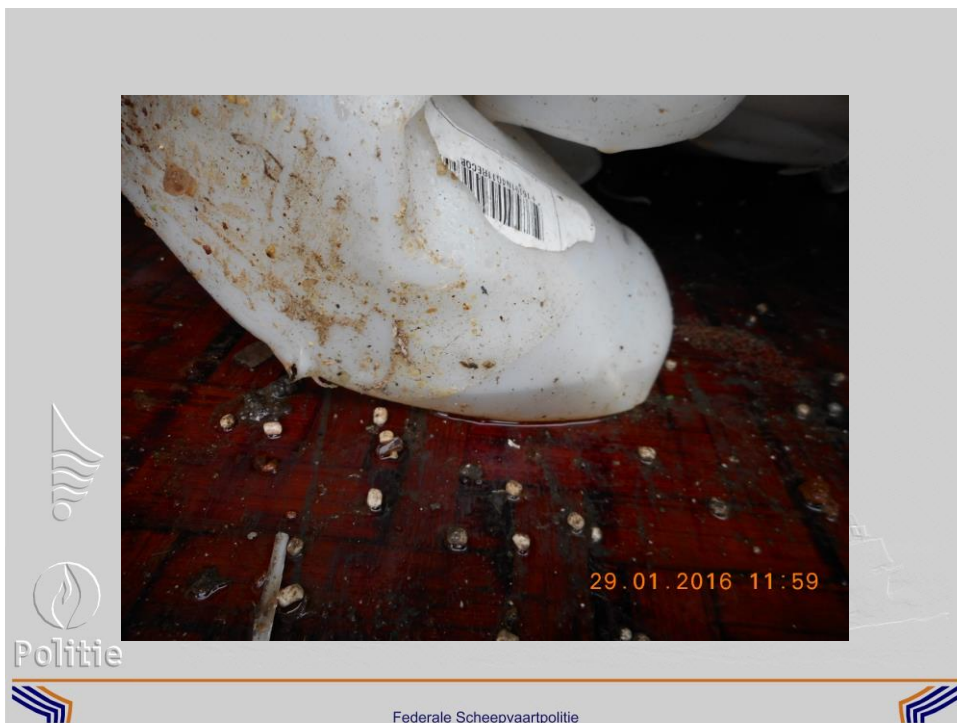
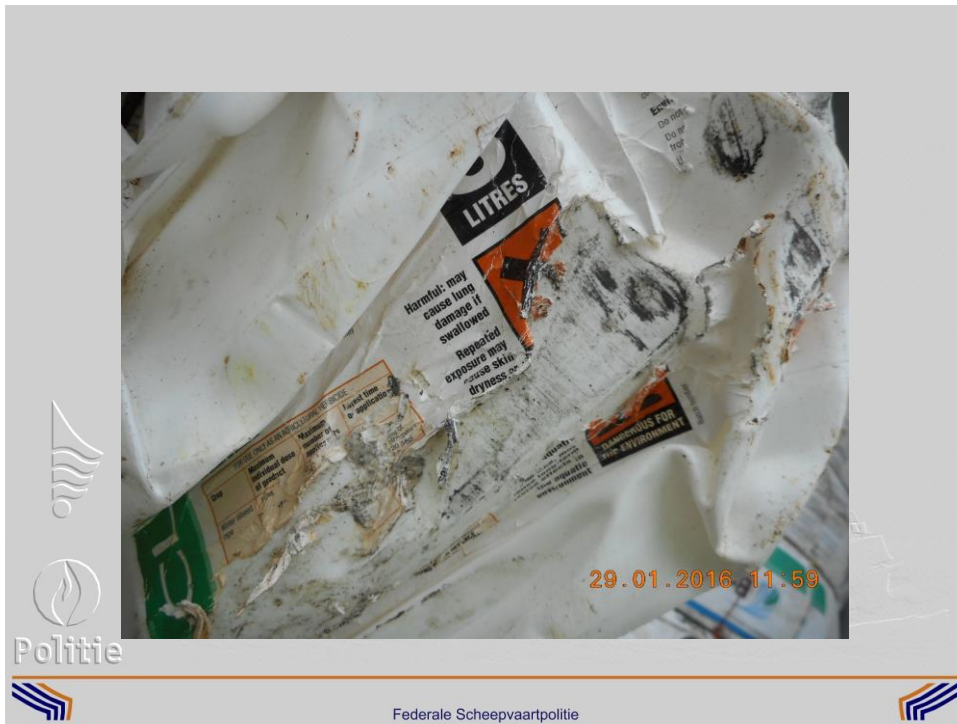
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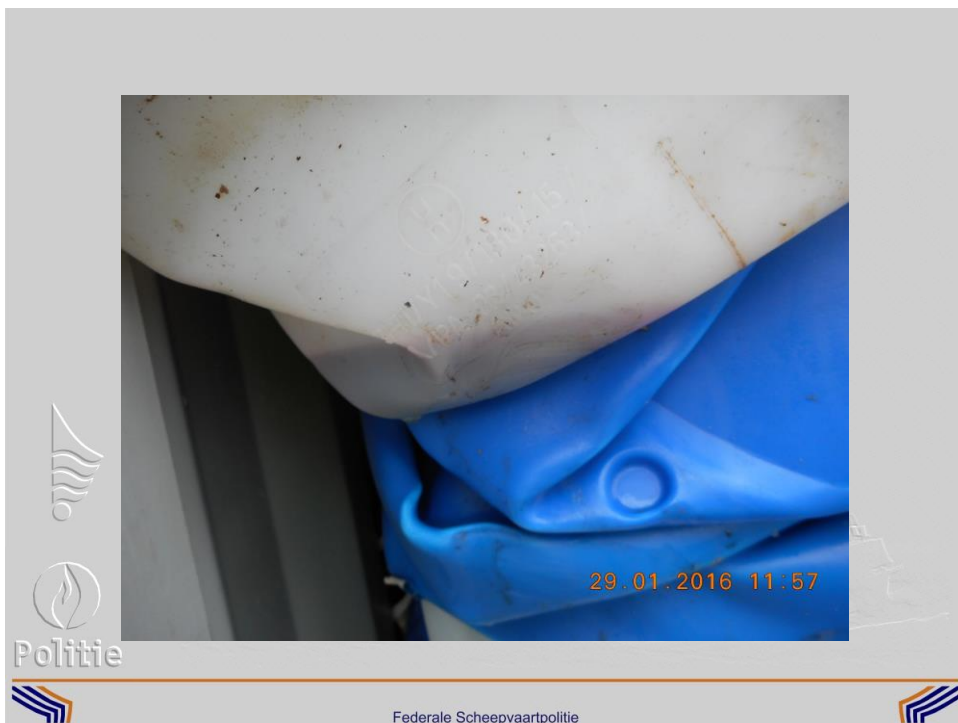
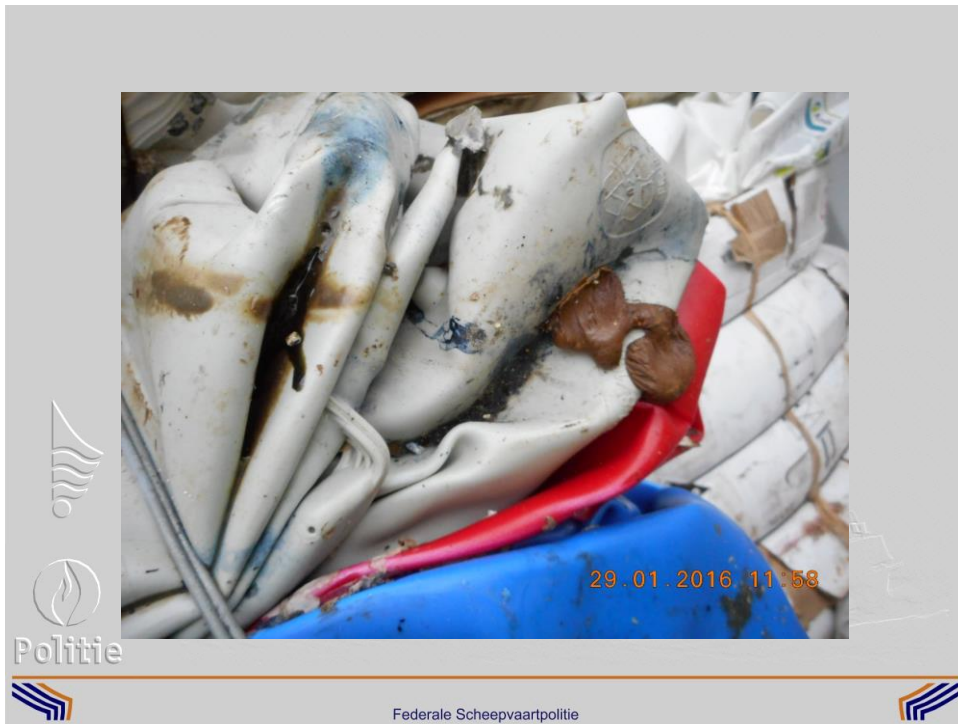


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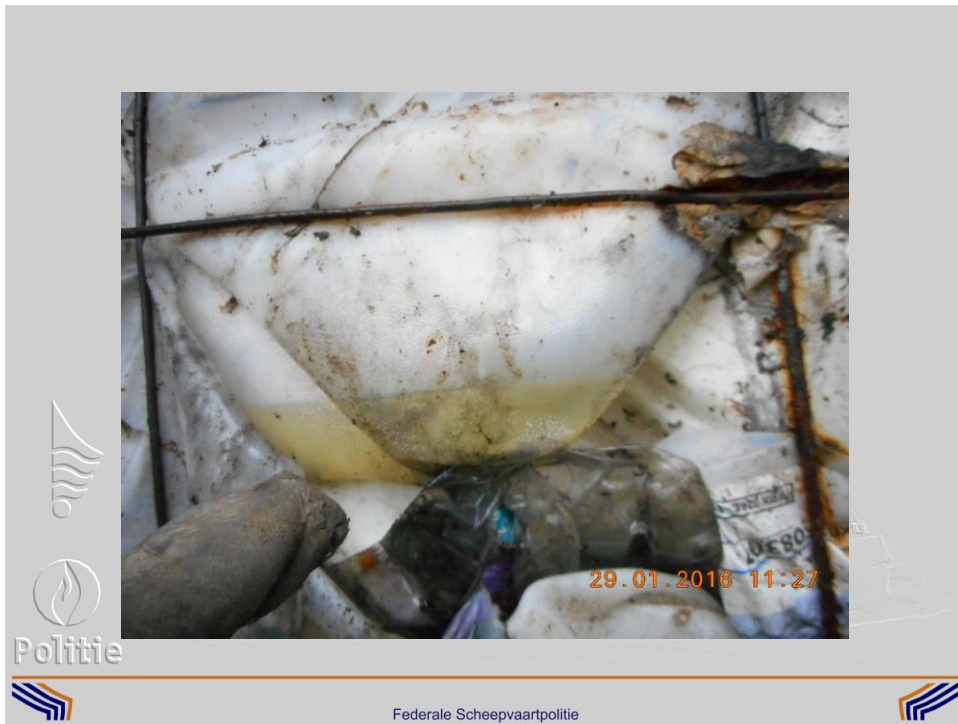


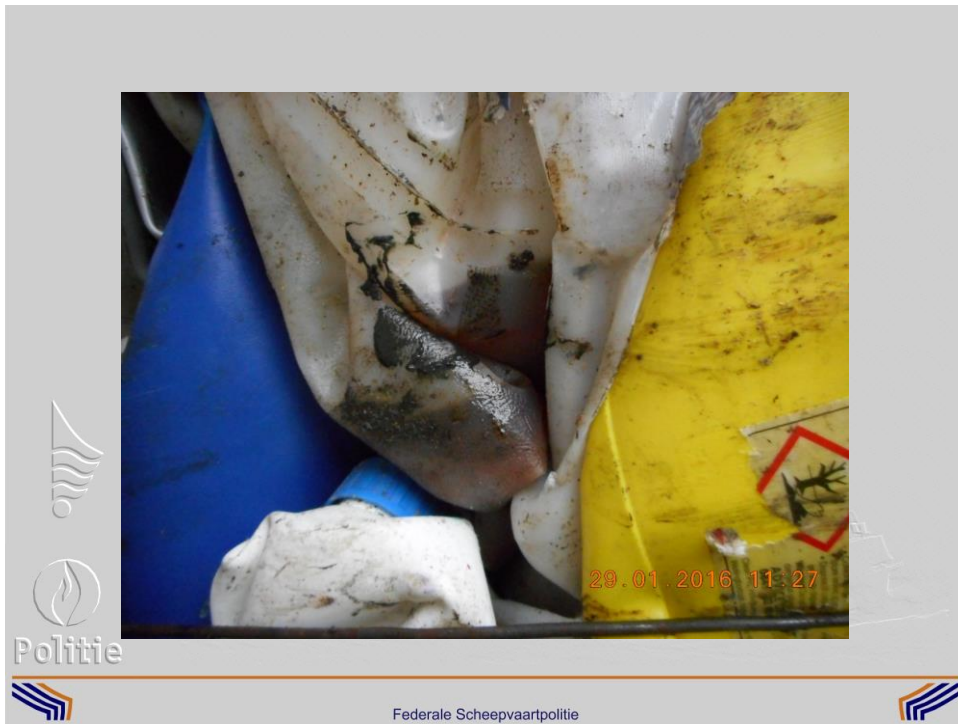












Detection of illegal waste transport

→BLOCKING the container(s) until further notice

According to **Annex VII** classified as:
→Plastic Scrap (B3010)



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- **This transport is illegal according to art 2.35 EG decree 1013/2006 transport of waste:**

- Plastic waste contains compressed, insufficiently or non-cleaned plastic cans

- Plastic contained hazardous fluids



- Plastic has residual liquid



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- Harbour police makes an official report against the offender (Uplus trading)
- Follow-up by environment-inspection
- Return to sender (Uplus) through short acknowledgement procedure
- Unloading the container + cleaning contaminated goods



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