

Mexico Orders UN Cocaine Investigation

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The Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs has just launched a full-scale criminal investigation of a mysterious shipment of 18 Kg. Of cocaine mailed from Mexico to the United Nations' headquarters in New York City. The package failed to specify a sender or addressee, which still remain a big mystery in the halls of the Mexican federal government. Prensa Latina reports that, "the Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced Saturday a joint probe between the governments of Mexico and the United States to throw light on the singular cargo received January 16 in the UN through international mail cargo service."

Apparently, the Latin news agency is implying that the United States Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) is investigating UN officials over this matter. A few years ago, UN officials ran into hot water when media reports disclosed that UN doctors and nurses were allegedly illegally self-medicating themselves with black market prescription medications. It was first reported in the Dallas Blog that these nurses and doctors also failed to obtain licenses to practice medicine in the United States.

However, the DEA never announced they would investigate the alleged doctors and nurses, since only President Barack Obama could make such a request due to diplomatic immunity issues. Nevertheless, since Mexico's foreign ministry has called for an investigation, the DEA has a legal obligation to conduct a formal inquiry on the UN.

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