

Big Pot Bust at Gallup Port of Entry

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The New Mexico State Police discovered 495 packages of marijuana during the inspection of a semi at the Gallup Port of Entry July 31 around 4 pm.

The packages, which were vacuum sealed, were concealed inside 20 Home Depot boxes in the trailer of the semi.

The total amount of marijuana seized weighed 580 pounds.

The driver and co-driver were arrested and booked into the McKinley County Detention Center.

Binyam Habtamu Getahun, 36 of Alexandria, Va. and Mazemr Abebe Belayneh, 64 of Snellville, Ga. are charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, a 3rd degree felony, and possession of marijuana, a 4th degree felony.