National Security Cutter Helps Coast Guard Set Counterdrug Operations Record

Coast Guard Cutter Waesche offloaded more than 39,000 pounds of seized cocaine worth over $531 million in San Diego on Oct. 27, 2016. The service and its interagency partners set a record in fiscal year 2016 by removing more than 416,600 pounds of cocaine, valued at over $5.6 billion, in the execution of drug interdiction missions. Drug busts by Waesche and other national security cutters contributed to the record interdiction numbers. U.S. Coast Guard photo by Petty Officer 1st Class Sondra-Kay Kneen.