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On June 13, 2009 United States Postal authorities contacted the Garden City/Finney County Drug Task Force about a suspicious package. Investigation revealed the package had been mailed from Ethiopia to Mohamed Ahmed in Garden City Kansas. The package was inspected and found to have a large tear on the top, inside of the package was blue packaging material around a vegetable substance that appeared to be Khat. On June 15, 2009 Mohamed Ahmed responded to the Post Office and picked up the package. Members of the Garden City/Finney County Drug Task Force conducted a traffic stop and seized the package. Mohamed Ahmed admitted the package contained Khat. A search warrant was subsequently served at Ahmed's residence, 312 W. Mary Street, # H3. Individual packages of Khat were located as well as another large package of Khat being stored in an abandoned vehicle in front of the residence. Over 30 pounds of Khat were recovered. A 2001 Chevrolet Impala and a 1995 Pontiac Grand Am were seized. Mohamed Ahmed was lodged in the Finney County Jail pending charges of Possession with Intent to Distribute Khat and No Kansas Drug Tax Stamp.

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