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The UK experience is almost inevitably going to be HK's experience of GST unless serious thought is given beforehand to policing the price differentials. Introducing GST will however perversely divert criminal attention from smuggling and copyright abuse to the ease of the "carousel" fraud described below. The reason New Zealand's experience of GST is successful is the sheer difficulty of smuggling and carousel fraud.

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### Twenty-two held in VAT fraud hunt

**Twenty-two people have been detained as part of a major investigation into a suspected VAT fraud worth hundreds of millions of pounds.**

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