## SUSPECTED CAR SMUGGLERS HELD IN FIVE-STAR HOTEL

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## **Body**

A TOURIST and a <u>new immigrant</u> from Russia <u>suspected</u> of smuggling a car into the country were put under 48-hour house arrest in a five-star Haifa hotel yesterday.

Inor Borimsimov, 21, and the tourist, Maret Mithamitov, 27, are <u>suspected</u> of using forged papers to bring the car in Sunday when they arrived by ship.

A check of their baggage at Haifa port turned up a large amount of foreign currency, and a police representative said there is a suspicion the car was stolen abroad.

Mithamitov's lawyer said his client was a Russian businessman who had brought DM 270,000 in cash with him to invest in Israel because he did not trust the Russian banks.

Haifa Magistrates Court judge Salim Jubran ordered the two <u>held</u> for 48 hours at either the Dan Carmel or Dan Panorama hotels.

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