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Used Household Goods and Personal Effects

Documents Required

- Copy of passport
- Packing list
- Original bill of lading (OBL) / no express release / air waybill (AWB)
- · Original valued inventory in French, dated, and signed by the owner of the goods
- Resident permit / work permit / letter of employment
- International cargo tracking note (ICTN), for all full container load (FCL) shipments

Specific Information

- All documents must be provided to agent 1 week before arrival of the shipment to obtain duty- free clearance.
- Customs levies an "RTL Tax" or 2% of cost, insurance and freight (CIF) value, with a minimum of 300.000 GNF (approximately 30 Euro), applicable to all shipments.
- Taxes on new goods may be as high as 38.5% of the CIF value.
- The diplomatic organization must apply for diplomatic privileges on the shipment, which may take several
 weeks for approval by Customs; documents must be supplied to agent at least 3 weeks prior to arrival of the
 shipment.

Motor Vehicles

Documents Required

- · Original registration card
- · Change of residence certificate
- · Copy of passport
- · Copy of purchase invoice for new vehicles

Specific Information

- The taxes for motor vehicles will depend on the age, power etc. and is approximately 65% of the CIF.
- Cars older than 5 years cannot be imported.

Pets

Documents Required

- · Veterinary health certificate
- · Vaccination record

Specific Information

· Documents must be issued at point of origin.

Restricted/Dutiable Items

- Duties on cars are 65% of the CIF value.
- Computers, printers, scanner are not considered as personal effects and are subject to duties and taxes (38.5% CIF value).
- Only 1 opened bottle of alcoholic beverage can be imported duty free.
- The following items can be imported duty free within the limits indicated:

o Cigarettes (1000), cigars (250), tobacco (1000 g)

Prohibited Items

- · Firearms and ammunition
- Illegal drugs

• Unopened alcoholic beverages

Consignment Instructions

Recommended: Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

Helpful Website(s):

http://www.state.gov/p/af/ci/gv

http://guineaembassyusa.com

Cultural and Other Information

CIA World Factbook Entry for Guinea

Wikipedia Entry for Guinea