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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Personal effects – Private individuals	 Copy of valid passport Certified copy of resident card or receipt of application for resident card Copy of the Algerian work contract Original certificate of employment Copy of Annex 4 or 13 provided by the Ministry of Employment or copy of work permit Original of the Change of Residence certificate stamped and signed by the Algerian consulate in the country of origin Original valued and detailed inventory signed by the Algerian consulate in the country of origin 	 One Change of Residence certificate is required per shipment, and it must be stamped by the Algerian consulate in the country of origin. Personal effects are admitted into Algeria under the Temporary Admission Regulations. Once obtained, temporary admission may be extended several times by mobility company or any clearing agent for a maximum of three years, or else the goods will be taxed as an import (in this event, the client is no longer obliged to re-export the shipment). The extension of the temporary admission is the client's responsibility. Customs authorities inspect all containers and parcels. The parcels inspected must match the packing list and inventory. If goods are not listed on the inventory, customs authorities will charge a TEL (Extra Legal Tax), the amount of which is at the discretion of the customs officer, or the goods that were not listed will be seized. 	 The signed change of residence certificate and the valued inventory are only valid for six months. The documents will need to be signed again upon expiration. The change of residence certificate is applicable for Algerian citizens who make a definitive return and expatriates.
Personal effects – Algerian citizens	 Original certificate proving that the client was removed from the Algerian Consulate's lists Original Change of Residence Certificate issued by the Algerian Consulate Original valued inventory stamped and 	 To import personal effects, the Algerian citizen must have resided outside Algeria for at least three years. The dates indicated on the consular card will be those taken into consideration. The combined CIF value of the goods and 	

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	signed by the consulate Copy of valid Algerian passport Certified copy of the consular card	Vehicle must not exceed 3 000 000 DZD.	
Personal effects – Algerian Diplomats	 Copy of valid passport Original transfer letter (to be obtained in advance via the diplomat's administration in Algiers) Original detailed valued inventory Diplomatic exemption previously issued by the client's government's administrative services in Algiers 	The total inventory value must not exceed 2 000 000 DZD.	Algerian diplomats may import their household effects into Algeria if the move is a change in residence (final return to Algeria).
Personal effects – Foreign Diplomats	 Copy of valid passport Copy of diplomatic card Original valued inventory stamped and signed by the client's government administrative services in Algiers Diplomatic exemption issued by the client's own government administrative services in Algiers Original power of attorney on behalf of removals company in Algeria 	Port / airport storage and demurrage charges are systematic in Algeria for air / sea shipments.	 Diplomats may import one or more air and/or sea shipments duty free, provided they arrange for diplomatic exemption for each shipment. Before requesting diplomatic exemption, the Diplomat must have already started their duties in Algeria and have had their diplomatic card issued (usually delivered within 5-10 days). The shipment will be physically inspected (except if the client is an ambassador) and the client's presence (or their proxy's) will be required by customs. Once the diplomatic card has been issued, the mobility company will ask the carrier for a copy of the shipping document. With this copy, the diplomat will be able to start the exemption process (it takes approx. five weeks for the exemption letter to be issued).
Motor Vehicles	The documents required for motor vehicle customs clearance are the same as for personal effects. The vehicle registration	 For non-registered vehicles (such as quad bikes used for driving in the country only), which do not have proper vehicle 	Vehicle to be driven to or collected from the storage facility by the client or their representative: insure the vehicle for this

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	documents from the origin country must also be submitted. Foreign diplomats: Original vehicle registration documents or international book Prior agreement for the import of the vehicle Document showing the value of the vehicle Vehicle data sheet providing cylinder capacity in cm³ and power of the vehicle TPD/ Vehicle tax exemption Foreign citizens with work contracts The client must first obtain the customs agreement for importing the vehicle through his company. Original vehicle registration documents or international book Document showing the value of the vehicle / original commercial invoice Original certificate of compliance Vehicle data sheet providing cylinder capacity in cm³ and power of the vehicle. Algerian citizens: For Algerian citizens, the vehicle must be new and purchased from the brand's dealer. Original vehicle registration documents or international book Original certificate of compliance Original certificate of compliance Original certificate of compliance Original commercial invoice Vehicle data sheet providing cylinder capacity in cm³ and power of the vehicle	documents, the owner will be given a "carnet A3" specifying the duration of temporary admission. On the day of expiration of this carnet, the owner must present themselves at the Ministry of Customs (Ministère des douanes), located in Rue Bédier in Algiers. The original registration document allows the diplomat to have the TPD (the title of customs passage), the client should request for the "carnet acquit à caution", which is valid for three months. All vehicles must have been completely emptied of fuel and run until stalled. Batteries must be disconnected, taped and properly secured to prevent movement in any direction. No hazardous materials should be containerised, secured or stowed in vehicles.	one day.

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Restricted and prohibited items	 Firearms, weapons, ammunition Drugs Cigarettes Wine, alcohol Pornographic materials Gold, jewellery Antiques, paintings Military or paramilitary equipment (binoculars, antennas, GPS) Materials against Islam or the government. 		

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