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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Personal effects – Angolan Returning Citizen or Diplomat	 Copy of valid passport Copy of visa from origin country Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp) Copy of Angolan Tax Card When applicable, original Declaration (in Portuguese) from employer in Angola stating position of client and length of the overseas assignment OR If the client is a returning Angolan Diplomat, an original Declaration from Diplomatic Mission at origin confirming length of assignment abroad and value of goods being shipped to Angola Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD. IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to 5,000 USD, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs. 	 Provided all requested documents have been submitted to removal company in Angola prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments will take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance will take between 20 and 30 working days. Returning Angolan citizens that can prove they have been living abroad for 6 months or more are exempt from duties and taxes on their household goods shipments. The customs Stamp Duty is still levied though (around 3% of the CIF value of shipment) and VAT on importation (14% of CIF value). In the case of a false declaration or should identical items be imported, the client will have to pay a fine and between 50 and 70% of the CIF value, on top of the Stamp Duty amount. 	Customs inspections are common on sea shipments and systematic on air shipments.

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Personal effects – Foreign Diplomats	 Copy of diplomatic passport Copy of Angolan Diplomatic ID Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp) Copy of Angolan Tax Card Original "Nota Verbal" and Declaration from MIREX (exemption documents) prepared by the host Diplomatic mission in Angola Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD. IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to USD 5,000, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs. 	 Provided all requested documents have been submitted to removal company in Angola prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments will take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance will take between 20 and 30 working days. Diplomatic consignments are exempt from duties and taxes provided the complete set of docs is submitted to customs. On some occasions, customs may require an inspection of a Diplomatic consignment. When this happens, inspection is usually done at the place of delivery of the goods. 	HHGDS shipments of Diplomats are easier to clear when consigned to the Diplomatic Mission, rather than to the Individual Diplomat.
Personal effects – Expatriates	 Copy of valid passport Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp) Copy of Angolan work visa or Ministry's "parecer" Copy of Angolan Tax Card. Alternatively, the Angolan Tax Card of the hosting company can work as well Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD. IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to USD 5,000, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs. 	 Provided all requested documents have been submitted to removal company in Angola prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments will take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance will take between 20 and 30 working days. A customs Stamp Duty is always levied (around 3% of the CIF value of shipment) and VAT on importation (14% of CIF value). In the case of a false declaration or should identical items be imported, the client will have to pay a fine and between 50 and 70% of the CIF value, on top of the Stamp Duty amount. Customs inspections are common on these sea shipments and systematic on air shipments. 	

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Motor vehicles	 New: Original registration card Original invoice Certificate of ownership Second-hand: Original registration card Document showing value of vehicle Certificate of ownership In addition to the above, for returning Angolan Diplomats: Copy of valid passport Copy of Diplomatic Card at Origin Copy of client's Angolan Tax Card Original declaration from Diplomatic Mission at origin confirming length of assignment abroad, and value of goods being shipped to Angola In addition to the above, for foreign Diplomats: Copy of Diplomatic passport Copy of Angolan Diplomatic ID Copy of client's Angolan Tax Card detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD 	 At least one of the requested documents must show the following: chassis number, engine number, cylindrical power, age, brand and model of vehicle. Import of vehicles older than 3 years is prohibited in Angola, with the exception of returning Angolan Diplomats, and Foreign Diplomats. Vehicles are subjected to 60% duties and taxes, with the only exception being Foreign Diplomats. Returning Angolan Citizens, including Diplomats, pay duties and taxes on their vehicles. Consignments including a car need an Import License regardless of their value. 	 All containers shipped with vehicles will be transferred to FAYOL terminal where they will be inspected. Not all containers with vehicles are taken to FAYOL, BUT all groupages are taken to Fayol to safeguard the separation on the Goods.
Communication Equipment e.g.: telephones (fixed or mobile), fax machines, voice message recorders, walkie-talkies, tablets, antennas, routers, switches, CCTV, servers, internet devices, security systems, etc.	Import of communication equipment (new or used) is prohibited, unless a license is obtained from the Angolan Ministry of Telecommunications (INACOM).	 The client must present valid invoices or certificates for the devices to the Ministry of Telecommunications in order to obtain an INACOM licence. In order to avoid any delays in Customs and consequent fines, the licence should be obtained and submitted to removal company in Angola prior to the shipment of the goods. 	

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