GREECE CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS and CAR Import Regulations and Documents

Importation from NON EEC country

Greek or European Community returning citizens

- HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Duty free import is allowed for Household goods and car, provided that client was abroad the last two years and that he has obtained a Certificate of Repatriation from the Greek Embassy or the closest Greek Consulate to his area. A Certificate of Repatriation can be obtained ONLY once in a life time.

Documents required from client for Household goods:

- 1) The original set of the Certificate of Repatriation
- 2) Old and new Original Passports of the client and all family members moving to Greece with him.
- 3) Any proof of residency abroad of the last two years, like electricity, phone bills etc.
- 4) An authorization to our company and a declaration to Port Authorities which will be obtained locally from our office.

His presence at the customs is absolutely necessary

- CAR

Car must be in the possession of client at least six months prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Repatriation. No duties/taxies will apply, but only a considerable fee for the purchase of the red Greek plates –tax free ones- which depends on the engine capacity of the car, the model, the year and amount of purchase.

Documents Required from client for CAR:

- 1) Original Driving License
- 2) Original Registration
- 3) Original Passport
- 4) Original set of Certificate of Repatriation
- 5) Original 5 (five) years residence/work permit. This applies ONLY for the rest EC citizens and not for the Greek ones.

Foreigners

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

If client is NOT an EEC citizen, then duties and taxies will apply on the value that customs will declare, unless a Secondary Residence Certificate is obtained by the Greek Embassy/Consulate of the origin country.

Documents Required from client:

- 1) Original Passport
- 2) House Lease Contract in Greece
- 3) A Bank Guarantee for the amount of duties/taxies involved, which will be cancelled in one year time.
- 4) An authorization to our company and a declaration to port which will be obtained locally from our office.

CAR

Secondary Residence Certificate do not cover Cars. In this case, car will be subject to duties/taxies. We suggest you contact our office for more information should you have a car shipment to Greece.

Documents Required from client:

- 1) Original Driving License
- 2) Original Registration
- 3) Original Passport
- 4) An authorization to our company and a declaration to port which will be obtained locally from our office.

Foreign Diplomats

All diplomats are exempted from Duties and taxies, provided that a franchise is obtained from their Embassy / Consulate that is involved.

Documents Required for importation of Household goods and Car:

- 1) Franchise from the Embassy
- 2) Authorization to our office.

Greek Diplomats

All Greek diplomats are exempted from Duties and VAT, provided that they were living abroad the last two years and that a Certificate of Repatriation has been obtained from the Greek Embassy or the closest Greek Consulate to his area. If the diplomat has already used his right for the Certificate in the past, then he is allowed for free import only in the following two cases:

- * If while the exportation from Greece a Re Importation Permit has been issued by the export customs authorities. The original of the document is required for the importation. Any extra items imported, more than the ones mentioned on the Re Importation Permit, will be subject to duties/taxies.
- * Special notice to Port Authorities from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Athens has been issued, so that a temporary duty free status will apply.

Documents Required:

- 1) The original set of the Certificate of Repatriation
- 2) Old and new Original Passports of the client and all family members moving to Greece with him.
- 3) Any proof of residency abroad of the last two years, like electricity, phone bills etc.
- 4) Copy of his travel orders
- 5) An authorization to our company and a declaration to Port Authorities which will be obtained locally from our office.

His presence at the customs is absolutely necessary

Journalists of foreign press, Teachers of foreign schools, any foreigners coming to work for a company which holds a contract with Greek Government, are allowed for Temporary Free Importation.

Importation from EEC country

Any shipment coming either by Sea, Land or Air originating in EC, is exempted from duties and taxies.

Documents required from client (will be obtained locally):

- 1) Copy of all pages of Passport
- 2) An authorization to our company legalized by police station
- 3) A declaration to port legalized by a police station

In addition to the above documents required in each case, the following documents from your office are needed prior to the arrival of shipment in Greece for the importation

SEA Shipments: Original OBL, Inventory List and Way Bill with full

instructions.

ROAD Shipments: Original CMR, Inventory List and Way Bill with full

instructions.

AIR Shipments: Copy of AWB, Inventory List and Way Bill with full

instructions

For shipment originating in EC, T2L form is ABSOLUTELY necessary otherwise duties/taxies will apply.

PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED ITEMS

- a. Drugs
- b. Firearms and weapons
- c. Cigarettes
- d. Alcoholic Beverage