DOCUMENTARY VERIFICATION OF IMPORTS FOR MALI
(For liable goods not inspected prior to 31st December 2017 and, for new Documentary Verification orders opened as of 1st January 2018)

1. Mandate

IS THE COUNTRY A MEMBER OF THE WTO? ☑ Yes ☐ No

MANDATE AUTHORISED BY: Ministry of Trade and Competition.

APPLICABLE REGULATION(S): Notice to importers from the DGCC (Direction Générale du Commerce, de la Consommation et de la Concurrence) dd. 01/01/2018, informing on the termination of PSI activities and their replacement by Documentary Verification activities temporarily.

APPOINTED PSI COMPANY (IES): BIVAC International

SCOPE OF DUTIES:
☐ Quality, Quantity.
☐ Export market price (for foreign exchange purposes)
☑ Export market price (for Government information purposes)
☑ Customs classification per item
☑ Value for Customs purposes (based on the GATT Valuation Code)
☐ Assessment of import duties and taxes
☑ Import eligibility

MINIMUM VALUE SUBJECT TO DOCUMENTARY VERIFICATION: XOF 3,000,000 FOB. For goods shipped in FCLs, irrespective of their value.

PART SHIPMENTS: Subject to Documentary Verification if total value equals or exceeds XOF 3,000,000 FOB

EXEMPTIONS FROM DOCUMENTARY VERIFICATION: See section 7

2. Documentary Verification Order - The instruction for BIVAC to verify the export documents

NAME: II (Intention d'Importation). (To be opened if total order value exceeds XOF 100,000).

ISSUED BY: DGCC (Direction Générale du Commerce, de la Consommation et de la Concurrence)

VALIDITY: 12 months, may be extended 6 months

AMOUNT BY WHICH II VALUE MAY BE EXCEEDED: 10% CIF

CHANGES FROM SEA TO AIR: No specific requirement

DESTINATION INSPECTION: N/A
3. Verification requirements/restrictions

SEALING OF F.C.L.CONTAINERS: N/A
SECOND-HAND GOODS: No specific requirement
PROHIBITED IMPORTS: See Section 8
RESTRICTED IMPORTS: See Section 9
LABELLING REQUIREMENTS: N/A

4. Price verification/Seller's invoice requirements

BUYING/CONFIRMING COMMISSIONS: Should be declared by the exporter.
INSURANCE: No specific requirement
FINANCIAL INTEREST: No specific requirement
FINAL INVOICE TO SHOW: Transaction terms; Origin and FOB value per line item; Freight, Insurance + ancillary charges (where applicable). For vehicles, final invoice to show also the type, the model, the year of manufacture and the chassis number, as per Ministry of Finance's Circular N° 059 (14.11.96)
OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: All samples above USD 500 with no commercial value must be valued as per Ministry of Finance's Decree N° 033 (22.11.95) and R.O 839 (11.12.95)

Requirement from the Ministry of Health no. 0345 dated March 15, 2013: for the importation of any pharmaceutical product, the remaining shelf life has to be at least 9 (nine) months for dry product and 12 (twelve) months for liquid product and vaccines. This remaining shelf life does not concern the delivery time and the transit time. To be mentioned either on the Packing List and/or on the final invoice.

5. Reporting requirements

FINAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY BIVAC TO ISSUE REPORT: Final invoice, Packing List, transport document (BL/AWB), Certificate of Origin where goods are originated from one of the 8 member countries of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA: Benin, Burkina-Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal and Togo.

TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED: Attestation de Vérification Documentaire (AVD).
REPORT PURPOSE:
- The AVD is issued for the use of Customs Authorities and Importer for clearing the goods.
- A certified final invoice is given to the exporter in case of L/C transaction or upon request.
6. **Inspection fees**

Paid by the importer when opening the II.

7. **List of goods exempted from Documentary Verification**

- Goods with a total FOB value under XOF 3,000,000 (but goods amounting to XOF 100,000 or more are subject to an II application),
- Precious metals, precious stones, objects of art,
- Explosives and pyrotechnic products,
- Ammunitions and weapons other than those for hunting and/or sport, materials and equipments ordered by the army for its own account,
- Live animals,
- Table salt put up in packaging of more than 10 kilograms
- Wood,
- Scrap metal,
- Plants, seeds and flowering products,
- Fertilizers,
- Cement
- Cinematographic films – exposed and developed,
- Current newspapers and periodicals, postal stamps and fiscal stamps, stamped papers, bank notes, cheque books, credit cards,
- Crude oil,
- Sera, vaccines,
- Personal effects and domestic used items, including one used vehicle,
- Postal parcels and commercial samples,
- Personal gifts, donations (except donations to private persons or private entities), bona fide gifts, supplies to diplomatic and consular missions and supplies to United Nations Organisations for their own use in Mali,
- Imports ordered by the public administrations for their own account,
- Vehicles of headings Nos. 8702, 8703 and 8704 (as per Ministerial Decree numbered 2366 dd. 07/06/2013).

8. **List of prohibited goods**

- Drugs and narcotics,
- All foreign products, natural or manufactured, mentioning on any part of the packaging, labelling or on the product itself, a brand or commercial name, any sign or indication whatsoever which might lead believe that the product was made in Mali or is of Malian origin,
- Toxic waste,
- Live bovine animals and their meat products (tinned meat, sausages, ham, corned-beef, meat, meat cubes), as well as animal food made from bones, blood and meat,
- Pesticides if not approved by the Authorities,
- Oil and products containing polychlorobiphenyls (“PCB”);
- Chemicals containing at least one of the following products : aldrine, dieldrine, endrine, heptaclore, chlordane, hexachlorobenzene, mirex, toxaphene, polychlorobiphenyls (“PCB”),
- Alcoholic beverages in plastics bags,
- Potassium bromate, except if destined to Laboratories
- Food products containing potassium bromate,
- Expired foodstuff and medical products for human or veterinary use.
9. List of restricted goods

- Cigarettes, tobacco and other tobacco products: authorization from the Ministry of Trade,
- Meat other than of bovine specie and game products: certificate of origin and sanitary certificate required,
- All medicines for human use: authorization from the Ministry of Public Health,
- All medicines for veterinary use: authorization from both Ministry of Health and Ministry in charge of stock breeding,
- Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (“DDT”): authorization from the ministry of Environment,
- Weapons and ammunitions: authorization from Security authorities,
- Non-ionized salt, not destined to human consumption: authorization from the Ministry of Trade,
- Explosives: authorization from Security authorities and the Ministry of Mines,
- Cyanide: authorization from the Ministry of Health or the Ministry of Mines,
- Products that deplete the stratospheric ozone layer (substances containing chlorine or bromine, CFC and HCFC): authorization from the Ministry of Environment,
- Live bovine animals, bovine embryos and ova: authorization from the Ministry in charge of stock breeding,
- Potassium bromate destined to Laboratories: authorization from the Ministry of Health
- Food additives: refer to the list from the Ministry of Health
- Cattle in transit or importation of live animals other than bovine specie: zoosanitary certificate required
- Semen of pure-bred animals: recording in the national official register of the importing country and zoosanitary certificate required
- Plants and plants parts: certificate of origin and phytosanitary certificate required
- Plant seeds: certificate of origin required
- Motor vehicles with a Gross Vehicle Weight equal or above 3,5 tons: authorization from the Ministry of Transport.

10. Geographical scope

Exports from all countries

The information contained herein is for the purpose of facilitating Documentary Verification and does not relieve Exporters or Importers from their obligations in respect of compliance with the import regulations of the country of importation. Although every effort has been made to ensure the correctness of the information, as at the date of issuance of this data sheet, BIVAC International does not accept any responsibility for errors or omissions and, furthermore, the information may subsequently be subject to change as may be announced by the Authorities in the country of importation.