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Waiver Control

An Electronic CTN or BSC (CTN: Cargo Tracking Note in French BSC Bordereau de Suivi de Cargaison) is required. The purpose of an ECTN/BSC is tracking shipments to see the origin and nature of goods imported into a particular country to prevent global trafficking of prohibited goods.

As decided by the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau on August 8th 2011, an Electronic Cargo Tracking Note (ECTN) has to be issued for every shipment to Guinea-Bissau as from October 28th 2011 (date of shipment).

Local CNCG representatives at the discharging ports will inspect each and every shipment on the presence of a corresponding ECTN. Shipments without a validated ECTN will expose shippers to fines.

For conventional or rolling cargo a copy of the B/L has to be joined.

CTN is not mandatory on B/L and manifest.

CTN has to be filled in at latest 5 days after vessel’s departure and sent per e-mail to CNCG agent.

The Ministry of Transport and Communication of Guinea Bissau, heading the Shippers’ Council ‘Conselho Nacional de Carregadores da Guine Bissau’ (CNC-GB), has reconfirmed that Antaser Afrique is the unique agent duly mandated to sign and validate ECTN’s for the country. Same implies that any cargoes arriving in Bissau without an ECTN validated by Antaser will be blocked for delivery by the local Authorities.

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Pre-Shipment Inspection

- No pre-shipment inspection is necessary for goods going to Guinea-Bissau.

CMA CGM trained staff members are available to assist customers in all aspects of the documentary requirements of the trade to Guinea Bissau. Please contact your local agency office for advice.

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Required Documentation:

- Transit order [Fax d'application] for BLD
- Copy of the Bill of Lading
- Commercial Invoice / Facture commercial
- Packing List / Liste de colisage

Goods Listed For Customs Checks:

- Sugar
- Refined vegetable oil
- Batteries
- Textiles
- Cigarettes
- Tea
- Rice
- Cleaning soap
- Matches
- Liqueur

Explosives and dangerous goods must be authorized by the Ministry of Interior and be moved under a mandatory police escort during transit.

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