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CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

PART I: LOCATIONS HAVING CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

A member, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 pounds of suitable consumable goods per tour-year.* *(i.e., 12-month tour. 1,250 lbs; 18-month tour . 1,875 lbs, etc.)*

A civilian employee, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 pounds of suitable consumable goods per tour-year.* *(i.e., 12-month tour. 1,250 lbs; 18-month tour. 1,875 lbs, etc.)* This allowance is in addition to the 4,500 pounds weight allowance authorized in JTR, par. C8110. ***In no event shall the total weight of HHG shipped and/or stored at Government expense exceed 18,000 pounds. The 18,000 pounds includes the weight of HHG shipped at Government expense, consumable goods shipments, and the weight of HHG stored.***

****Requests for increased weight allowances for consumable goods shipments must be justified in writing and sent through the appropriate organizational channels to the PDTATAC for approval. In no event shall the maximum weight allowance for consumable goods shipment exceed 2,000 pounds per year.***

LOCATIONS

Afghanistan, Kabul Ethiopia, Addis Ababa Norway, Bodo
Albania, Tirana Gabon, Libreville Oman, Muscat
Algeria, Algiers Georgia, Tbilisi Pakistan, Islamabad
Angola, Luanda Ghana, Accra Pakistan, Quetta
Armenia, Yerevan Guinea, Conakry Philippines, Manila
Azerbaijan, Baku Guyana, Georgetown Poland, Warsaw
Bangladesh, Dhaka Haiti (effective 20 June 2001) Romania, Bucharest
Belarus, Minsk India, Calcutta Russia, Moscow
Bolivia, La Paz New Delhi Russia, St. Petersburg
Bosnia-Herzegovina Indonesia Rwanda, Kigali
Botswana Kazakstan, Alma-Ata Serbia-Montenegro, Belgrade
Bulgaria, Sofia Kenya Sierra Leone, Freetown
Burkina, Ouagadougou Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek Somalia, Mogadishu
Burma, Rangoon Laos Sri Lanka, Colombo
Burundi, Bujumbura Latvia, Riga Sudan, Khartoum
Cambodia, Phnom Penh Liberia, Monrovia Suriname, Paramaribo
Cameroon, Yaounde Lithuania, Vilnius Syria, Damascus
Central African Republic, Bangui Macedonia, Skopje Togo, Lome
Chad, N'Djamena Madagascar, Antananarivo Turkmenistan, Ashkhabad
China, Beijing Malawi, Lilongwe Uganda, Kampala
China, Shanghai Mali, Bamako Ukraine, Kiev
Congo, Brazzaville Mauritania, Nouakchott Uzbekistan, Tashkent
Cote d'Ivoire, Abidjan Moldova) Vietnam
Cuba, Havana Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar) Yemen, Sanaa
Cyprus, Nicosia Mozambique, Maputo Yugoslavia(See Serbia-Montenegro)
Djibouti Nepal, Katmandu Zaire, Kinshasa
Ecuador, Quito Nicaragua, Managua Zambia, Lusaka
Eritrea, Asmara Niger, Niamey Zimbabwe
Estonia (Eff: 24 May 2001) Nigeria, Lagos

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PART II: CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING A CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCE

*The senior officer, in the area concerned, may submit a justified request for the area to be designated as an OCONUS location to which consumable goods may be shipped. The justified request is sent through the appropriate

organizational channels to the following for approval:

Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee
Attn: T&T Branch
Hoffman Building I, Room 836
2461 Eisenhower Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22331-1300

The request must address the following questions:

1. How many members and DOD employees serve in the area?
2. Are State Department employees authorized a consumable goods shipment to the area?
3. What types of consumable goods are unavailable locally? Please include foodstuffs, household and personal items.
4. Is the quality of consumable goods available locally equivalent to the American counterpart?
If not, explain.
5. What factors contribute to the lack of a reliable local source of adequate, necessary consumable goods? Are those factors likely to improve in the foreseeable future?
6. Do locally available fresh foods require preparation far different from the American counterpart of those foods? If so, explain.
7. Why do members/employees prefer/need to eat canned/dried/processed vegetables and produce versus locally available items?
8. Do food shortages require members/employees to wait in line for items for long periods?
9. Does State Department have a commissary or food locker/co-op at the station? If so:
 - a. What is the space and storage capacity of the facility?
 - b. What variety of items are available?
 - c. How often is it restocked?
 - d. Can members/employees place bulk orders for consumable goods through the facility?
 - e. How often are bulk orders placed?
 - f. Are the bulk orders received on time?
10. Who is the POC for this request? Please include **commercial** phone and fax numbers, and email address, if available.

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NOTE: The high price of consumable goods in an area is not a factor in deciding whether or not to establish a consumable goods allowance. COLA is designed to offset a high cost of living at an OCONUS PDS.