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Disposition of Remains Report

The following information is submitted in accordance with referenced requirements.

- **Post Profile:**

Address: Rua Presidente Houari Boumedienne #32, Miramar

Luanda-Angola

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Email: consularluanda@state.gov

Website: <https://ao.usembassy.gov/>

- **Consular Report of Death Abroad:**

A Consular Report of Death Abroad is an administrative document that provides essential facts about the death, disposition of remains, and custody of the personal estate of a deceased U.S. citizen. It is generally used in legal proceedings in the United States as proof of death.

The U.S Embassy prepares a Consular Report of Death Abroad (CRDA) for every civilian U.S. citizen who dies in Angola. This certificate is based on the Angolan death certificate and is valid for use in the United States.

To request the issuance of the Report, please send the following documents to the U.S. Embassy in Luanda: U.S. passport and the original death report.

Twenty copies of the Consular Report of Death Abroad will be mailed to the next-of-kin, at the time of death, free of charge. If in the future additional copies are needed, they can be obtained for a fee of \$50 per copy. For details on how to make a request, please [visit the State Department's travel site](#).

- **Maximum period before burial:**

Angolan law states that, if the body is not embalmed, must be buried within 24 hours.

- **Embalming and storage of remains:**

The remains may be stored at the following clinics/hospital:

Clinic Sagrada Esperança

Address: Ave. Mortala Mohamed nº 298, Ilha de Luanda

Call Center: (+244) 923 167-950 emergency service 24/24 hours

Email: geral@cse.co.ao

Webpage: <http://www.clinicasagradaesperanca.co.ao/>

Cinic Girassol

Address: Ave. Revolução de Outubro, Bairro Mártires de Kifangondo, Maianga-Luanda

Tel: (+244) 226-698-000; 226-698-416; 226-698-404; 226-698-457

Website: www.clinicagirassol.co.ao

Email: marketing@clinicagirassol.co.ao

Clinic Espirito Santo

Address: Rua da Liberdade #15 Vila Alice, Luanda

Tel: (+244) 222-321-608; 222-328-243; 222-329-434; 222-324-135

Cell: (+244) 912-792-752; 923-423-131; 991-423-131

Email: info@clinica.espiritosanto.com; recepcao@clinicaespiritosanto.com

Website: <http://clinicaespiritosanto.com/>

Public Hospital- Josina Machel

Address: Rua do 1º Congresso MPLA nº 65, Luanda

Tel: (+244) 222-397-063; 222-335-046

Email: josinamachel@snet.co.ao

• **Funeral Homes licensed to do disposition of remains:**

The following is a list of funeral homes. The list is not meant to be exhaustive or definitive nor does it represent either a guarantee of competence or endorsement by the Department of State or the U.S. Embassy.

Agência Funerária São João

Address: 230 R Cónego Manuel das Neves

Tell: (+244) 222 448 703

Cell: (+244) 912 509 501

Cell: (+244)923 509 013

Email: afunerariasaojoao@yahoo.com.br

Lobito, Benguela Province (+244) 272-222-366

Email: afunerariasaojoao@supernet.ao

Agência Funerário Estrela D'Alva

Address: Loja 1- R da Brigada, #296-B, Bairro Rangel

Loja 2- Largo da Tourada, Calemba

Tel: (+244) 222 388 892

Cell: (+244) 926 997 795; 923 997 795

Agência Funerária Muxima

Address: Loja 1- Rua Hochi Min, Bairro Militar, Luanda

Loja 2- Viana, Projecto Morar, Luanda

Tel: (+244) 222 326 079

Cell: (+244) 933 686 733; 923 895 610

Email: organizaçõesmuxima@gmail.com

Website: <https://muximafuneraria.blogspot.com/>

- **Cremation:**

Service not available in Angola.

- **Caskets and Containers:**

Caskets are available locally; they can cost between USD 2500 and USD 8000. U.S. made caskets can sometimes be purchased from the oil companies, they cost approximately USD 5000.

After the embalming, a representative from the consular section witnesses the sealing of the coffin.

- **Exportation of the remains:**

To export remains the following documents are required:

1. "O Certificado de Óbito" (local death certificate)

This document is obtained from the physician who performs the autopsy or, from local police if the person died from an accident or unnatural causes.

2. “O Boletim de Óbito” and “Assento de Óbito” (official death report)

To obtain these documents, you must take the certificado de óbito to the vital records office (conservatoria) in the district where the death took place.

3. “A Declaração” and “A Informação” (declaration and information documents)

To obtain these documents you must take the notarized “Certificado de Obito” to the Delegação de Saúde.

4. “O Auto de Imposição de Selo” (this document allows the authorities to seal the coffin and ship the remains)

To obtain this document, take all the above documents to the vital records office. When you receive the Auto de Imposição de Selo, return to the health office for notarization.

5. “O Alvará” (permission from provisional governor to send the remains overseas)

Finally, bring all the documentation, duly sealed and notarized to the Provincial Governor for the “Alvará” to be issued, this document will permit the returning of the remains to the U.S.

*All documents above mentioned must be translated into English before the Consular Section attaches a copy of the Report of Death Abroad and a copy of the Mortuary Certificate.

Estimated cost to obtain and translate the above documents USD 700.

- **Shipment:**

Estimate freight costs for one coffin, 250 kgs USD 6500:

- To ship remains to New York
- To ship remains to Chicago
- To ship remains to San Francisco/Los Angeles
- Airport taxes and handling

Costs are varying, depending on the cause of death which can make an autopsy and police investigation necessary.

- **Exhumation of remains:**

Exhumations in Angola can only be done after five years of burial.

- **Remarks:**

Burial procedures and embalming are very rudimentary in Angola. The remains are normally injected with formaldehyde and then covered with lime before the coffin is sealed.

Estimate cost of burial and embalming USD 1600.

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Funeral homes in the U.S. most likely will advise next of kin to abstain from viewing.