

## UNJLC CUSTOMS STUDY 2008

# Duties and Tax Exemption and Customs Procedures in Sudan

### *Introduction & Contents*

#### Overview

UNJLC Sudan's recent logistics services and coordination user's survey demonstrated a deficiency in the information available on requirements needed to obtain duties and tax exemption and facilitate imports of necessary assets and commodities. To address this gap, UNJLC has created the 'Duties and Tax Exemption and Customs Procedures in Sudan' snapshot series, which is designed to provide timely, realistic and practical information to facilitate the import operations of humanitarian organizations.

UNJLC would like to take this opportunity to thank all involved for their assistance in producing this study. Questions and requests for further information should be addressed to UNJLC at [sudan@unjlc.org](mailto:sudan@unjlc.org)

#### Customs Study Contents

The results from the study have been compiled into the following documents:

- **Introduction and contents**
- **Snapshots series** providing information on **how to obtain duties and tax exemptions** for:
  - North Sudan Customs**
    - 1) Commodities importation for Darfur<sup>1</sup> registered I/NGOs
    - 2) Vehicles importation for Darfur registered I/NGOs
    - 3) Communications equipment importation for Darfur registered I/NGOs
    - 4) Commodities importation for Rest of Sudan<sup>2</sup> registered I/NGOs
    - 5) Vehicles importation for Rest of Sudan registered I/NGOs
    - 6) Communications equipment importation for Rest of Sudan registered I/NGOs
    - 7) Commodities importation for UN agencies
    - 8) Vehicles importation for UN agencies
    - 9) Communications Equipment Importation for UN Agencies
  - South Sudan Customs**
    - 10) Commodities importation for SSRRC registered I/NGOs
    - 11) Vehicles importation for SSRRC registered I/NGOs
    - 12) Communications equipment importation for SSRRC registered I/NGOs
    - 13) Commodities importation for UN agencies
    - 14) Vehicles importation for UN Agencies
    - 15) Communications equipment importation for UN Agencies
- **Accompanying information sheets**, including but not limited to, information on pertinent ministry/ authority addresses, focal personnel and national holidays for North and South Sudan
- **Consolidated report** on the 'Duties and Tax Exemption and Customs Procedures in Sudan'.

#### Methodology

Fact-finding meetings were held in May and June 2008 with officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UN Managers, I/NGO Logistics and Admin Managers, and the UN/Humanitarian Aid Commission Liaison Officer. This study consolidates all information gathered during this enquiry.

The resulting snapshot series presents the key findings of the study and addresses the information needs of the humanitarian community. All information was verified for accuracy by representatives from national authorities, UN Managers and I/NGO authoritative actors.

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<sup>1</sup> Darfur comprises North Darfur, South Darfur and West Darfur States.

<sup>2</sup> Rest of Sudan comprises Northern State, Northern Kordofan, Southern Kordofan, White Nile, Blue Nile, Sennar, Gedaref, Gezira, Kassala, River Nile, and Red Sea States.