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DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE REPATRIATION OF CREMATED REMAINS TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUNERAL SERVICES BEING HELD IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR PERSONS WHOSE CREMATED REMAINS ARE BEING RETURNED FOR BURIAL MUST NOT BE MADE PRIOR TO RECEIVING APPROVAL FROM THE RESPECTIVE MINISTRIES IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

- 1. An Official Certificate of Death that states the Cause of Death
- 2. Certificate of Cremation
- 3. Permit to Dispose of or Transport Cremated Remains
- 4. A letter from the Health Department, signed by a Doctor or Coroner, stating that there was no communicable disease at the time of death
- 5. Letter from the Funeral Home/Agency confirming that the Urn contains only the cremated remains of the deceased
- 6. Passport Book (eg. current Trinidad and Tobago or United States –a United States Naturalization Certificate is required if submitting a United States Passport Book); and Trinidad and Tobago Birth Certificate of the deceased
- 7. Letter stating the name, telephone contact, email address and relationship to the deceased, of the person traveling with the Cremated Remains
- 8. Flight Itinerary and one (1) color copy of the Bio-data page (including the opposite page) of the Passport of the person traveling with the Cremated Remains
 - The above-mentioned <u>ORIGINAL</u> documents must be submitted to the Consulate General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Miami, no less than fourteen (14) Business Days prior to date of travel, for processing;
 - The envelope <u>MUST</u> be addressed to:-

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ATTN: HUMAN AND CREMATED REMAINS

- A <u>PREPAID</u> self-addressed envelope <u>MUST</u> be included for the return of documents;
- The Consulate General will issue a letter certifying the authenticity of the documents. The cost of issuing this letter is U\$\$32.00. This amount must be sent in the form of a Money Order or Cashier's/Bank Cheque issued within the Continental United States ONLY and made payable to:- Consulate General of Trinidad and Tobago. (PERSONAL/COMPANY CHEQUES ARE NOT ACCEPTED);
- The official stamp of the Trinidad and Tobago Mission is affixed to each document and initialed by the authorizing officer of the Mission. The Trinidad and Tobago Passport will be canceled and returned. The United States of America Passport will be photocopied and returned. A copy of all documents will be sent via email to the Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs in Port of Spain;
- The Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs notifies the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of National Security of the circumstances under which the cremated remains are being returned to Trinidad and Tobago.

PERSONS REPATRIATING CREMATED REMAINS MUST DECLARE THE URN AND PRESENT ALL CERTIFIED DOCUMENTS TO THE CUSTOMS OFFICIALS UPON ARRIVAL AT PIARCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

NOTE:- WHEN CREMATED REMAINS ARE BEING SHIPPED TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, #7 AND #8 ABOVE DO NOT APPLY. HOWEVER, #7 OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE IMPORTATION OF HUMAN REMAINS TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, WILL APPLY.