

Invitation

Subject to the terms and conditions specified in this Invitation, the items included in the lists attached hereto will be sold during an auction sale which will be conducted at

Open field north of the Polana Casino, on the opposite side of the Marginal

Saturday, September 13 2014 at 11:00

Conditions and provisions of the auction

A. Inspection - location of the sale warehouse and times of inspection

1. The items are available for inspection in the following location as follows: **Open field north of the Polana Casino, on the opposite side of the Marginal on Friday, September 12** from 9:00 to 17:00 and **Saturday, September 13** from **8:30 to 10:30**. Registration will be limited to the first 300 people and will close promptly at 10:30 AM on Saturday, September 13. Potential bidders are urged to register of Friday to ensure participation.
2. The bidders are invited, urged, and cautioned to inspect the property to be sold prior to making an offer. Property will be available for inspection at the locations and times specified in the preceding paragraph. In no case will failure to inspect constitute grounds for a claim or withdrawal of an offer.
3. The property is sold "as is". The United States Government makes no guarantee, warranty, or representation, express or implied, as to the quality, kind, character, size, description or condition of any of the property or its fitness for any use or purpose. This sale is final.

B. Registration

1. Bidders must register in order to participate in the auction. Registration will be available on **Friday, September 12** from **9:00 to 17:00** and **Saturday, September 13** from **8:30 to 10:30**. All bidders must bring appropriate identification (Mozambique I.D. Card or Passport) for registration. Bidders will be registered by name, address and telephone number. They will be given a card with a large, easily readable number on it. The number from the card will be inscribed on the registration sheet so that the bidders can be identified by number.
2. A **2,000 Meticaís deposit + 100 mt fee** is required as part of registration and is payable in **CASH** only. The deposit is fully refundable if the bidder does not win any lots, **however the fee will be retained to cover administrative costs. The deposit will automatically be applied to any lots won during the auction.**

C. Conduct of auction

1. On the day of the auction, bidders will be admitted to the auction site for final registration and viewing of lots beginning at 8:30 and ending at 10:30.
2. The auction will begin at **11:00** on **September 13, 2014** and continue until all of the lots have been brought to bid. The auctioneer will go through the lots by number and call out the number in English and Portuguese. He will start the bidding at a predetermined minimum price. All bids are to be in Meticaís. Bidders will be instructed to hold up their cards if they are willing to pay the price currently under consideration. The auctioneer will increase the price depending on the bidders' offers. At each level the bidders not willing to pay that price will lower their cards. The following are possible outcomes of the bidding cycle for an individual item.
 - (a) When only one card is left up, a warning is given to allow anyone else a last chance to return to the bidding. If no one else holds his card up, the remaining bidder is declared the winner and the price is again restated for the information of all.
 - (b). If all remaining bidders take their cards down at the same time, the auctioneer will return to the last bid, ask those willing to pay that amount to hold their cards up again, and go forward again at a smaller increment until one bidder is declared the winner.
 - (c). If only one bidder holds his card up at the beginning of the bid for a single lot, a warning is given and he is declared the winner.
 - (d). If no bidders hold up their cards at the beginning of the bid that is, no one is willing to pay the minimum price, the auctioneer will issue a warning and pass on to the next item.

3. When the winner is declared for each item, the number of the successful bidder and the price bid, will be recorded by two Embassy employees. One employee will note the following information on a master copy of the bid list and the other will note the same information on a results form that has been pre-numbered with the lot number- (a) successful bidder number (b) price bid (c) and time of winning bid.

D. Payment

Only when the auction is completed the bidder, he/she may go to the payment office to make payment for items won, or to collect deposit. He/she must have their registration receipt and bidding card.

Payment will only be accepted in the form of **cash in Meticais or VISA Debit/Credit Card**. No coins, personal checks or any other method of payment will be accepted. All sales must be paid in full on Saturday, September 13. Deposits will automatically be applied to any winning bids. Refund of deposit will only be made if the winning lots are valued less than the deposit. All lots must be paid in full prior to the release of any individual lot.

Once deposit is collected or payment has been made on any lots, no further participation in the auction is allowed. Non-winning bidders must collect their deposits on Saturday, September 13. Any deposits not collected on September 13 will be forfeited.

E. Delivery

1. The property is sold "where is". Delivery and transportation of the property away from the warehouse is the responsibility of the purchaser and shall be accomplished at his/her expense.

2. After payment is made in full, bidders are expected to pick up items on the day of the auction September 13.

3. The warehouseman who delivers the items awarded during the auction will mark the receipt "delivered", include the date and sign it. He will keep one copy and give the original to the bidder. The receipts may be verified by the guard as the bidder leaves the warehouse compound transporting the items awarded to him.

4. All items must be removed from the warehouse, at the expense of the successful bidder, no later than **September 13, 2014**. If the property is not removed within the time limit specified above, the United States Government retains the right to include it during the next property auction.

F. Title and responsibility

1. Title to the items of property sold under this auction shall vest in the purchaser as and when full payment is made hereunder.

2. The bidder assumes all responsibility and liability for the property awarded to him after the date of the government's acceptance of his offer and collection of sale price. The Government shall exercise its usual care for protection of the property up to the time of removal but will not be responsible for any loss or damage from any cause whatsoever.

G. General

1. The auction will be conducted under the supervision of the Property Disposal Officer, American Embassy, Maputo, a duly appointed successor or a duly authorized representative, who reserves the right to reject any or all offers for any of the items sold and or withdraw from the sale any items as deemed best for the interests of the United States Government.

2. The auction sale will be conducted in accordance with the procedures outlined in this invitation and provisions.

3. No offers for any of the lots included in the bid list will be accepted prior to the auction date and hour.

4. Any oral statement or representation by any representative of the Government changing or supplementing this invitation or any condition thereof is unauthorized and shall confer no right upon the bidder.

5. All participants in this sale must agree to the terms and conditions, of this invitation.

6. The English language version of this invitation and provisions is the official one and shall always govern.

7. All participants are reminded that no large bags, knives, or other weapons are allowed on the site of the auction.