

CLARIFICATION NOTE –Version 1.0

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Tender No: ITB/SEC/16/2021

Subject: Supply and Delivery of Personal Protective Equipment (Bullet Proof Vest and Kevlar Helmets)

In regards to the issued ITB/SEC/12/2021 for the **Supply and Delivery of Personal Protective Equipment (Bullet Proof Vest and Kevlar Helmets)** OSCE would like to provide the following clarifications in regards to the raised clarification questions by participating suppliers:

Nr.	Type	References	Question	Answer
1	Administrative	Annex D - Terms of Reference	What are the quantities required on an annual basis?	The estimated annual quantities are approximately 300 items of PPE. This is an estimate and not a guarantee of volume of sales which is subject to organizational needs throughout the contract lifetime.
2	Administrative	Annex D - Terms of Reference	Delivery period noted is for up to 50 items of PPE to be within six weeks to FCA, is this correct?	Yes this is correct , details in the ITB outline this requirement for up to 50 items of PPE within six (6) weeks to FCA.
3	Administrative	Annex D - Terms of Reference	Is OSCE expecting itemised prices not only by way of Male/Female, but also by way of each size range they have indicated?	Yes. Given the range in sizes requested is from 'Small' up to 'XXX Large' the itemization is to allow bidders to provide a price to cover all sizes if there is a price variance.

4	Administrative	Annex D - Terms of Reference	Is it mandatory to provide Indicative Delivery Costs given the market volatility?	NO it is not mandatory. This is optional. The ITB will be updated to provide clarity in this regard. Bidders should confirm if they can deliver to the VIENNA location only. An indicative price is requested but optional. It is understood these are not fixed prices for the duration of contract but are indicative and subject to change over the course of the contract.
5	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Do you require official NIJ or alternative standard certification?	Other equivalent standards are acceptable, including but not limited to, for example HO3 (UK) and SK3 (Germany).
6	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Please confirm that you only require plates and do not want a lower protection soft armour below the plate area.	Plate/vest combination is required with NIJ level III as the minimum standard.
7	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Please confirm whether the vest should accommodate soft/flexible armor, hard armor, both, or just one of the two.	Hard only,
8	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Please confirm the actual threats that the vest should defeat.	7.62×39mm 57-N-231 hardened steel-core 7.62×51mm NATO M80 ball.(AKM, AK-74,AK-47)
9	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	What type of carrier is the desired style? Is it a plate carrier or a traditional tactical/overt carrier?	A traditional tactical/overt carrier.
10	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	You ask for class 3 protection for helmets. Helmets are usually NIJ IIIA rated. As class 3 helmet, if available, will be extremely heavy and 1.4KG is not possible so can OSCE clarify the rating for helmets?	NIJ IIIA is the accepted rating for helmets.

11	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Does the carrier require pockets to accommodate hard armor plates?	Not required in the specification.
12	Technical	Annex D -Terms of Reference	Does the vest/carrier require side protection	Not required in the specification