CLARIFICATION NOTE #1

Reference: ITB/SEC/19/2023
Subject: Supply and delivery of PCR research laboratory equipment for veterinary labs in Ukraine

In accordance with issued ITB/SEC/19/2023, the OSCE would like to provide the following clarification to the ITB documents.

1) LOT 5, Item 1. “Biosafety cabinet class II, 1.2 m”.

   **Question:**
   Is the front panel to be lifted automatically or manually?

   **Answer:**
   Both options are technically acceptable.

2) LOT 6, Items 1, 2 and 3. "Autoclaves".

   **Clarification:**
   a) Vertical (30-45 litres) and horizontal (65-70 litres) autoclaves will be used to sterilise utensils and materials, and a vertical (60-70 litres) autoclave will be used to sterilise liquids, instruments and to inactivate and to decontaminate infected material.
   b) The steam generator must be integrated into the autoclave.
   c) Both manual and automatic closing of the autoclave lid is possible, with its mandatory automatic locking.

3) Covering Letter - ITB/SEC/19/2023 states that “All prices shall be expressed in EUR, USD, GBP or CHF without VAT, as the OSCE is exempt from taxes and duties.”

   **Question:**
   - Under what programme or regulation should these goods be imported to be cleared tax-free?
   - What is the package of documents or references to the legislation of Ukraine for conducting transactions without VAT?

   **Answer:**
   Currently, this procurement is not subject to VAT and import duty exemptions. Please indicate the full price in accordance with the "Annex E_Pricing Format" (which provides for price excluding VAT, VAT Amount, and TOTAL price for each LOT).

Sincerely,

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