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Clarification Note No. 1 to ITB No. SEC/18/2014 for the Supply and Delivery of Body Armors and Kevlar Helmets; Supply and Delivery of Ballistic Helmets

Question 1:

Please provide an alternative mode of submission of Bids (electronic/fax) as the proposal has only physical form of submission in mail.

Answer 1:

Pursuant to Art. 4 in the Instructions to Bidders, "Submission of bids by fax or email is not accepted." There is no alternative mode of bids submission. We encourage the Bidders to take use of courier mail.

Question 2:

Do you have any preferential origin?

Answer 2:

No, there is no preferential origin.

Question 3:

Can you confirm the vest is to be worn over clothes? Should soft armor correspond to level III-A? Should hard ballistic plates meet level IV?

Answer 3:

As specified in our Technical Specifications, the vest is for outer wearing. The vest should have two (front and back) additional ballistic plates of no less than 15 sq. dm protection area to respond to the requirements of level IV.

Question 4:

Do you require level IV standalone plates?

Answer 4:

We require a standard set of body armor equipped by two removable ballistic plates (usually made of steel, Kevlar, ceramics or other hard-protection material) which meets the Ukrainian protection class 4 or its equivalent.

Question 5:

Do you accept shipment of goods by air?

Answer 5:

Pursuant to Delivery Terms designated under LOT I and LOT II, delivery should fall under DAP (Delivered At Place) Kyiv, Ukraine, according to Incoterms © 2010.

This rule may be used irrespective of the mode of transport selected and may also be used where more than one mode of transport is employed.

Question 6:

In your ITB to Lot I, you defined all your functional as well as technical requirements with an alternative "...or equivalent". Why do you give us no alternative for material selection regarding helmets in Lot II? To provide protection class III-A /NIJ/, it is possible to use a lot of different materials including - but not restricted to - ballistic metal.

Answer 6:

Description of protection material of ballistic helmets under LOT II of ballistic metal and fabric is the minimum requirement.

The equivalent protection material (ballistic metal/ballistic fabric/polymer or similar) securing the same protection class of III-A (NIJ) or equivalent is technically acceptable.

Question 7:

Is the Bid Security required?

Answer 7: The Bid Security is not required.

Question 8:

What should be the protection level for soft armor (Body Armor, LOT I)?

Answer 8:

As specified in our Technical Specifications under LOT I and Instructions to Bidders, the Protection Class of Body Armor is Class 4 (Ukrainian standard) or equivalent of III protection level in relation to the NIJ standards (Body Armor).