

Request for Quote (RFQ) No.:	SOL_72016521Q00001
Issue Date:	January 12, 2021
Questions Due:	January 19, 2021 at 12pm (noon), Skopje time
Quote Submission Due Date:	February 1, 2021, Skopje time

Dear Sir/Madam:

The United States Government, represented by the U.S Agency for International Development (USAID), through the Mission in North Macedonia, is seeking quotations from qualified local organizations to provide technical services as described in this solicitation. USAID/North Macedonia anticipates awarding a firm fixed price purchase order with an effective period of performance of about two and a half months in a given year. The order will be awarded for a one base and four options to extend, subsequently.

As noted above, competition under this procurement will be limited to local organizations. A local organization is defined as an individual, a corporation, a nonprofit organization, or another body of persons that:

- (1) Is legally organized under the laws of;
- (2) Has as its principal place of business or operations in;
- (3) Is majority owned by individuals who are citizens or lawful permanent residents of; and
- (4) Is managed by a governing body the majority of who are citizens or lawful permanent residents of the country in which this contract will be primarily performed.

Please note that organizations submitting a quote in response to this solicitation must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) in order to conduct business with the U.S. Government. A successful registration in SAM means that the organization has obtained a DUNS number and has secured an NCAGE. The NAICS code for this contract is 541990.

Quotes must be submitted only electronically via e-mail on or before the due dates stipulated above to Rade Knezevic at rknezevic@usaid.gov and to Florentin Emini at remini@usaid.gov, and must conform to all requirements outlined in the solicitation. Quotes received after the deadline will not be considered.

This solicitation in no way obligates USAID to award a contract nor does it commit USAID to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of a quote. The authority for this solicitation is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and FAR Part 13 (Simplified Acquisition Procedures).

USAID appreciates the time and effort put into preparing quotations in response to this solicitation.

Sincerely,

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Regional Executive Officer

USAID/Kosovo

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ATTACHMENT B - CONTINUATION OF STANDARD FORM 1449

B.1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this award is to contract the services of a locally registered research and polling organization to conduct a national public opinion survey of the citizens of North Macedonia on issues concerning democratic institutions and processes, civic participation, government institutions, and similar topics.

B.2 CONTRACT TYPE

The contract type is firm fixed price, with options.

B.3 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The effective period of performance for this contract is approximately 2.5 months in any given year. For more details see B.5.4 Deliverables Timeline matrix below.

B.4 PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

The place of performance under this contract is North Macedonia.

B.5 STATEMENT OF WORK

B.5.1 Democracy and Governance Survey

USAID North Macedonia seeks to contract the services of a locally registered research and polling organization to conduct national annual public opinion surveys of citizens on issues concerning democratic institutions and processes, civic participation, government institutions, and similar topics. The survey will be conducted annually over a five-year period starting with the 2020 survey that will take place at the beginning of 2021.

B.5.2 Specific Tasks

The contractor shall conduct the survey using a questionnaire of about 80 questions some of which may have sub-questions covering the following topics:

- a. acceptance of democratic values and attitudes;
- b. perceptions of politics and political participation including elections;
- c. perceptions of governmental institutions, including the parliament and judiciary;
- d. perceptions of local government;
- e. perceptions of public services;
- f. perceptions of major problems in North Macedonia;
- g. perceptions of economic perspectives/opportunities;
- h. perceptions of EU integration;
- i. perceptions of corruption;
- j. participation in and perceptions of civil society organizations (CSOs);
- k. perceptions of social cohesion and interethnic integration;

- 1. perceptions of media; and
- m. perceptions of USAID.

The contractor shall use the questionnaire used for the Democracy and Governance Survey in the previous year as the base, which will be provided by USAID. Closely cooperating with USAID, the contractor must review the questionnaire and suggest any updates, as well as incorporate changes requested by USAID. The draft questionnaire with the suggested updates and changes will be submitted to USAID for review and approval. Once approved, the questionnaire must be translated into Macedonian and Albanian for use during the survey and data collection. Before proceeding with the survey, the Contractor must test the questionnaire to ensure the wording of every question is clear and understandable to respondents, that the questions elicit appropriate responses, and that the length of time required to administer the questionnaire is reasonable. The Contractor must share any findings from the test with USAID and make any revisions in coordination with USAID, after which USAID approves the final questionnaire. The final Macedonian and Albanian questionnaire shall be submitted to USAID.

Once the final questionnaire is approved, the Contractor will conduct the survey through face-to-face interviews¹ unless circumstances require innovative solutions. The survey must be administered in a timeframe of no more than 10 days to reduce the influence of external factors on the results. The survey methodology must ensure national representation of the adult segment of the population. The methodology must, at a minimum, include:

- A survey sample of between 1,600 and 1,700 respondents drawn from the adult segment of the population, i.e. those 18 years and older;
- Out of the total survey sample, between 1,100 and 1,200 respondents must be representative of nationally, while around 600 respondents must be representative of USAID target municipalities, with regard to sex, age, education, ethnicity, size, and place of residence.

The list of target municipalities will be provided by USAID.

B.5.3 Annual DG Survey Deliverables

- 1. Draft questionnaire in English in MS Word within 5 days of award.
- 2. Final questionnaire in English, Macedonian, and Albanian in MS Word. Due within 5 days of receiving USAID comments and questions on the draft questionnaire.
- 3. First level sorting of data² by question in English in MS Word/MS Excel.
- 4. Presentation of Survey Results and Findings.

The Contractor must prepare a presentation of the key findings and survey results in MS PowerPoint or other format for ease of conveying the results to different audiences, to be used for

¹ The contractor must strictly adhere to and apply all COVID 19 protocols and protection measures as prescribed by the Government of North Macedonia in conducting the field work and face-to-face interviews.

² The survey materials and results will become the property of USAID and the Contractor will not be able to utilize the survey results, or any part of the survey results, without written permission from USAID.

two virtual presentations³ the dates and time for which will be coordinated with USAID. Both presentations will be made by March 31 annually.

- 5. A Democracy and Governance Survey final report (not to exceed 40 pages in total without appendices) in MS Word and Adobe Acrobat that includes:
 - a. An executive summary of the key findings of the survey (not to exceed 3 pages)
 - b. A description of the methodology used and the sampling universe for the survey including socio-demographic information (as an annex)
 - c. An in-depth analysis of the survey results cross-tabulated and broken down into the following key areas:
 - i. Acceptance of democratic values and attitudes –what is the citizens' level of support for "democratic" practices and attitudes?
 - ii. Principles of political life and political participation including elections what are the normative ideas citizens have about political life; by what means do citizens participate in political life and what are the levels of participation; in what ways might they be willing to participate and under what circumstances?
 - iii. Major problems and economic perspectives in the country which are the most critical issues that affect the quality of life in the country; are these issues a priority for the government; are there favorable economic opportunities for young people; and how likely it is for young people to leave the country in the nearest future?
 - iv. Public institutions what is public perception of key public institutions including the President, the parliament, the judiciary, and the government; how is the work of these institutions viewed; how do citizens rate the effectiveness of these institutions; how do citizens rate the ability of these institutions to solve various political, social and economic problems; how well informed are citizens about the work of these institutions?
 - v. Public services what is the level of satisfaction of citizens with the services of public institutions and agencies on national and local level; perceptions of the capacities of public administration to deliver efficient and quality public services?
 - vi. Corruption citizens' perception of corruption as it relates to various institutions?
 - vii. Local government citizens' perception about local government, the role and responsibilities of local government in North Macedonia, the ability of local government to solve community problems, citizens participation in decision making on local level; and how well citizens are informed about the activities of their local government?
 - viii. CSOs and volunteering what is public perception about the usefulness of CSOs; what are the rates of membership in CSOs of those interviewed; how regularly are citizens volunteering their time or contributing financially or in kind to CSOs and the likelihood of donating to CSOs in future?
 - ix. Media where are people getting their news and information; what are reader, listener and viewership rates of national print and broadcast media; what media does the public have confidence in; what is the profile of the readers, listeners, and viewers of the various major national media?
 - x. Social cohesion public perception of interethnic relations, relationships among citizens of different ethnic, religious, political, cultural and social background, and key drivers of divisions in society?

³ The online video and audio-conferencing platform to be used for the virtual presentations will be determined in coordination with USAID/North Macedonia.

- xi. EU integration public perceptions of EU and citizens support for North Macedonia's EU integration?
- xii. USAID awareness public perceptions of foreign aid in North Macedonia and opinions about United States and USAID.
- d. Explanation on the meaning of these survey results in the context of North Macedonia's transition to a market economy and democratic society.
- e. Discussions on trends in comparison to previous years' survey results (which USAID will provide).
- f. Disaggregation of the survey data by gender, age, ethnicity, level of education, and location of residence. Relevant differences in opinions by gender and ethnicity to be analyzed.

The final report shall use graphs, charts, and narrative to illustrate the survey's findings while appendices shall include the cross-tabulation tables.

The Statistical Books and updated compilation of survey data for all years beginning with 2001 shall also be provided along with the final report.

B.5.4 Deliverables Timeline

	Base Year	Option Year 1	Option Year 2	Option Year 3	Option Year 4
AWARD	February 15,	November 1,	August 26,	August 25,	August 26,
Anticipated by	2021	2021	2022	2023	2024
Draft	Within 5 days				
Questionnaire	after award				
Final Questionnaire in ENG, MKD, ALB	Within 5 days after comments				
First level	March 19,	December 20,	October 15,	October 16,	October 15,
sorting	2021	2021	2022	2023	2024
Presentations ⁴	By April 5,	By January 31,	By November	By November	By November
	2021	2022	1, 2022	1, 2023	1, 2024
DG Survey final	April 30, 2021	February 15,	November 15,	November 15,	November 15,
report	April 50, 2021	2022	2022	2023	2024

B.6 INVOICES AND PAYMENT

The contractor is eligible to invoice in accordance with the following payment schedule:

⁴ Should COVID 19 restrictions and measures be lifted in the subsequent years of performance, the Contractor will be responsible for making appropriate venue and translation arrangements, as well as provide other logistical support for in-person presentations of the survey results and findings in coordination with USAID.

NOTE: The successful offeror will be asked to propose a payment schedule that will be negotiated with USAID prior to award. USAID will not make advance payments.

#	Base Year	OY 1	OY 2	OY 3	OY 4
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Payment will be made in \$US currency, VAT included and shown separately on the invoice. In addition to the US\$ amount the invoice(s) must also display the Macedonian Denar amount(s) and exchange rate used.

B.7 PAYING OFFICE

The completed and signed SF-1034 "Voucher for Services for Other Than Personal" and relevant invoices and other documentation must be submitted electronically in pdf format to email address below:

AccountsPayableSarajevo@usaid.gov

NOTE: Original invoices along with the original form 743 (Образец **743** – извештај за наплата од странство), must be submitted to USAID for reimbursement of VAT through the Public Revenue Office. After completion of VAT reimbursement USAID shall return the original from 743 to the contractor.

ATTACHMENT C – PURCHASE ORDER CLAUSES

C.1 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

FAR 52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference

(FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

AIDAR: http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/300/aidar.pdf

FAR: http://www.acquisition.gov

(End of clause)

NUMBER	TITLE FAR (48 CFR Chapter 1)	DATE
52.202-1 52.204-13	DEFINITIONS SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE	(JUN 2020) (OCT 2018)
52.204-18	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE	(AUG 2020)
52.212-4 52.227-14	CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS RIGHTS IN DATA – GENERAL	(OCT 2018) (MAY 2014)
52.228-3	WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE (DEFENSE BASE ACT)	(JUL 2014)
52.232-1 52.232-25	PAYMENTS PROMPT PAYMENT	(APR 1984) (JAN 2017)
52.246-1 52.249-4	CONTRACTOR INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT	(APR 1984)
32.277-7	(SERVICES) (SHORT FORM)	(APR 1984)
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752.202-1	DEFINITIONS	(JAN 1990)
	ALTERNATE 70	(JAN 1990)
752.211-70	ALTERNATE 72 LANGUAGE AND MEASUREMENT	(JUN 2009)
752.211-70	USAID DISABILITY POLICY	(JUN 1992) (DEC 2004)
752.222-70	NONDISCRIMINATION	(JUN 2012)
752.7005	SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT	(001, 2012)
	EXPERIENCE DOCUMENTS	(SEP 2013)
752.7006	NOTICES	(APR 1984)
752.7008	USE OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES OR PERSONNEL	(APR 1984)
752.7009	MARKING	(JAN 1993)
752.7013	CONTRACTOR - MISSION RELATIONSHIPS	(JUN 2020)
752.7025	APPROVALS	(APR 1984)
752.7027 752.7033	PERSONNEL PHYSICAL FITNESS	(DEC 1990) (JUL 1997)
134.1033		(301 1777)

752.7034 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DISCLAMER (DEC 1991)
752.7038 NONDISCRIMINATION AGAINST END-USERS OF SUPPLIES OR
SERVICES (OCT 2016)

C.2 FAR 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS – - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (NOV 2020)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:
- (1) <u>52.203-19</u>, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (2) <u>52.204-23</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (JUL 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (3) <u>52.204-25</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Aug 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (4) <u>52.209-10</u>, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (Nov 2015).
 - (5) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).
- (6) <u>52.233-4</u>, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (<u>19 U.S.C. 3805 note</u>)).
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- __ (1) $\underline{52.203-6}$, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUNE 2020), with *Alternate I* (OCT 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).
- $\underline{\checkmark}$ (2) <u>52.203-13</u>, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Jun 2020) (<u>41 U.S.C. 3509</u>)).
- __√_ (3) <u>52.203-15</u>, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)

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(4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract
Awards (Jun 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
         (5) [Reserved].
            (6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117,
section 743 of Div. C).
            (7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery
Contracts (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
            (8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with
Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Jun 2020) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
            (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility
Matters (OCT 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
         (10) [Reserved].
            (11) (i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (MAR
2020) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-3.
            (12) (i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business
Concerns (MAR 2020) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer)
(15 U.S.C. 657a).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-4.
         (13) [Reserved]
            (14) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov
2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-6.
            (15) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (Nov
2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-7.
            (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT
2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
            (17) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JUN
2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).
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(ii) Alternate I (Nov 2016) of <u>52.219-9</u>.
             (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.
             (iv) Alternate III (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9.
             (v) Alternate IV (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9
         (18) (i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-13.
         ✓ (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).
            (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages-Subcontracting Plan (JAN
1999) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
            (21) <u>52.219-27</u>, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-
Aside (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
            (22) (i) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Nov
2020) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-28.
            (23) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically
Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
            (24) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned
Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (Mar2020)
(15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
            (25) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (MAR
2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
         (26) <u>52.219-33</u>, Nonmanufacturer Rule (MAR 2020) (<u>15U.S.C. 637</u>(a)(17)).
         __ (27) <u>52.222-3</u>, Convict Labor (Jun 2003) (E.O.11755).
          \checkmark (28) 52.222-19, Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and
Remedies (JAN2020) (E.O.13126).
         (29) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
        (30) (i) <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O.11246).
             (ii) Alternate I (FEB 1999) of <u>52.222-26</u>.
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(31) (i) <u>52.222-35</u>, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (<u>38 U.S.C. 4212</u>).
             (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of 52.222-35.
        ✓ (32) (i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN
2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
             (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of 52.222-36.
          (33) <u>52.222-37</u>, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
            (34) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations
Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).
        \checkmark (35) (i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (OCT
2020) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
             (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of <u>52.222-50</u> (<u>22 U.S.C. chapter</u> 78 and E.O. 13627).
            (36) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015). (Executive Order
12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain
other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)
            (37) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-
Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of
commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
                (ii) Alternate I (MAY 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable
to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
          (38) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential
Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
             (39) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment
and Air Conditioners (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
            (40) (i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (JUN
2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
             (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2015) of <u>52.223-13</u>.
             (41) (i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s
13423 and 13514).
             (ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of <u>52.223-14</u>.
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(42) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (MAY
2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
            (43) (i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer
Products (OCT 2015) (E .O.s 13423 and 13514).
           (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16.
         ✓ (44) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While
Driving (Jun 2020) (E.O. 13513).
         (45) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
         (46) 52.223-21, Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693).
          __ (47) (i) <u>52.224-3</u> Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).
             (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of <u>52.224-3</u>.
         (48) <u>52.225-1</u>, Buy American-Supplies (May 2014) (<u>41 U.S.C. chapter 83</u>).
           (49) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (MAY
2014) (41 U.S.C.chapter83, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.
C. 4001 note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-
138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43.
             (ii) Alternate I (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.
             (iii) Alternate II (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.
             (iv) Alternate III (MAY 2014) of <u>52.225-3</u>.
            (50) <u>52.225-5</u>, Trade Agreements (OCT 2019) (<u>19 U.S.C. 2501</u>, et
seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
          √ (51) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Jun 2008) (E.O.'s,
proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department
of the Treasury).
             (52) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United
States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302Note).
            (53) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov2007)
(42 U.S.C. 5150).
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(54) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area
(Nov2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
         (55) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (Jun 2020).
            (56) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (FEB
2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
            (57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Jan 2017)
(41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
         ✓ (58) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award
Management (OCT2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
            (59) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award
Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
         (60) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
         (61) <u>52.239-1</u>, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
            (62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN
2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
            (63) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB
2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
             (ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of 52.247-64.
             (iii) Alternate II (FEB 2006) of <u>52.247-64</u>.
      (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to
commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract
by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of
commercial items:
     [Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]
         __ (1) <u>52.222-41</u>, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter67).
            (2) <u>52.222-42</u>, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY
2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
            (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price
Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (AUG
2018) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
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- __ (4) <u>52.222-44</u>, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) (<u>29U.S.C.206</u> and <u>41 U.S.C. chapter 67</u>).
- __(5) <u>52.222-51</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (<u>41 U.S.C. chapter 67</u>).
- __(6) <u>52.222-53</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (<u>41 U.S.C. chapter 67</u>).
 - __ (7) <u>52.222-55</u>, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (Nov 2020).
 - __(8) <u>52.222-62</u>, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).
- __ (9) <u>52.226-6</u>, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (<u>42 U.S.C. 1792</u>).
- (d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.
- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
- (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e) (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-
- (i) <u>52.203-13</u>, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Jun 2020) (<u>41 U.S.C. 3509</u>).

- (ii) <u>52.203-19</u>, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (iii) <u>52.204-23</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (JUL 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (iv) <u>52.204-25</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Aug 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (v) <u>52.219-8</u>, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2018) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2</u>) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR <u>19.702(a)</u> on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include <u>52.219-8</u> in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
 - (vi) <u>52.222-21</u>, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
 - (vii) <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2015) (E.O.11246).
 - (viii) <u>52.222-35</u>, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (<u>38 U.S.C. 4212</u>).
- (ix) <u>52.222-36</u>, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (<u>29 U.S.C. 793</u>).
 - (x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (xi) <u>52.222-40</u>, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause <u>52.222-40</u>.
 - (xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xiii) (A) <u>52.222-50</u>, Combating Trafficking in Persons (OCT 2020) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O 13627).
 - (B) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
- (xiv) <u>52.222-51</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May2014) (<u>41 U.S.C. chapter 67</u>).
- (xv) <u>52.222-53</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
 - (xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015) (E.O. 12989).

- (xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (Nov 2020).
- (xviii) <u>52.222-62</u>, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).
 - (xix) (A) <u>52.224-3</u>, Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (<u>5 U.S.C. 552a</u>).
 - (B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of <u>52.224-3</u>.
- (xx) <u>52.225-26</u>, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; <u>10 U.S.C. 2302 Note</u>).
- (xxi) <u>52.226-6</u>, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (JuN 2020) (<u>42 U.S.C. 1792</u>). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.
- (xxii) <u>52.247-64</u>, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (<u>46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b)</u> and <u>10 U.S.C. 2631</u>). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.
- (2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

C.3 52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

- (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within _____ (to be filled out at the time of award) days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least ____ (to be filled out at the time of award) days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.
- (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.
- (c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed ___ (to be filled out at the time of award) years.

(End of Clause)

C.4 ADS 302.3.5.21 SUBMISSION OF DATASETS TO THE DEVELOPMENT DATA LIBRARY (DDL) (OCT 2014)

- (a) Definitions. For the purpose of submissions to the DDL:
- (1) "Dataset" is an organized collection of structured data, including data contained in spreadsheets, whether presented in tabular or non-tabular form. For example, a Dataset may represent a single

spreadsheet, an extensible mark-up language (XML) file, a geospatial data file, or an organized collection of these. This requirement does not apply to aggregated performance reporting data that the contractor submits directly to a USAID portfolio management system or to unstructured data, such as email messages, PDF files, PowerPoint presentations, word processing documents, photos and graphic images, audio files, collaboration software, and instant messages. Neither does the requirement apply to the contractor's information that is incidental to award administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information. Datasets submitted to the DDL will generally be those generated with USAID resources and created in support of Intellectual Work that is uploaded to the Development Experience Clearinghouse (DEC) (see AIDAR 752.7005 "Submission Requirements for Development Experience Documents").

- (2) "Intellectual Work" includes all works that document the implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and results of international development assistance activities developed or acquired under this award, which may include program and communications materials, evaluations and assessments, information products, research and technical reports, progress and performance reports required under this award (excluding administrative financial information), and other reports, articles and papers prepared by the contractor under the award, whether published or not. The term does not include the contractor's information that is incidental to award administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information.
- (b) Submissions to the Development Data Library (DDL)
- (1) The Contractor must submit to the Development Data Library (DDL), at www.usaid.gov/data, in a machine-readable, non-proprietary format, a copy of any Dataset created or obtained in performance of this award, including Datasets produced by a subcontractor at any tier. The submission must include supporting documentation describing the Dataset, such as code books, data dictionaries, data gathering tools, notes on data quality, and explanations of redactions.
- (2) Unless otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer (CO) or the Contracting Officer Representative (COR), the contractor must submit the Dataset and supporting documentation within thirty (30) calendar days after the Dataset is first used to produce an Intellectual Work or is of sufficient quality to produce an Intellectual Work. Within thirty (30) calendar days after award completion, the contractor must submit to the DDL any Datasets and supporting documentation that have not previously been submitted to the DDL, along with an index of all Datasets and Intellectual Work created or obtained under the award. The contractor must also provide to the COR an itemized list of any and all DDL submissions. The contractor is not required to submit the data to the DDL, when, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this award, Datasets containing results of federally funded scientific research are submitted to a publicly accessible research database. However, the contractor must submit a notice to the DDL by following the instructions at www.usaid.gov/data, with a copy to the COR, providing details on where and how to access the data. The direct results of federally funded scientific research must be reported no later than when the data are ready to be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal for publication, or no later than five calendar days prior to the conclusion of the award, whichever occurs earlier.
- (3) The contractor must submit the Datasets following the submission instructions and acceptable formats found at www.usaid.gov/data.

- (4) The contractor must ensure that any Dataset submitted to the DDL does not contain any proprietary or personally identifiable information, such as social security numbers, home addresses, and dates of birth. Such information must be removed prior to submission.
- (5) The contractor must not submit classified data to the DDL.

(End of Clause)

ATTACHMENT D – PURCHASE ORDER PROVISIONS

D.1 PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
	FAR (48 CFR Chapter 1)	
52.203-18	PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES	(JAN 2017)
	THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY	
	AGREEMENTS OR STATEMENTS-REPRESENTATION	
52.204-7	SYSTEM FOR AWARDS MANAGEMENT	(OCT 2018)
52.204-8	ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS	(MAR 2020)
52.204-16	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE	
	REPORTING	(AUG 2020)
52.212-1	INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS	(OCT 2018)
52.214-34	SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE	(APR 1991)
52.214-35	SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN U.S. CURRENCY	(APR 1991)

D.2 QUOTE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

The following documentation must be submitted as part of the quote.

D.2.1 TECHNICAL QUOTATION

1. **Personnel:** Offerors must submit the CVs of all personnel who will be responsible for the analysis of the collected data. Personnel must demonstrate academic and/or professional expertise and experience in analyzing national survey data related to democracy, governance, politics, government system, institutions, corruption, social cohesion, EU integration, civil society, media, or similar subject matters.

CVs of the proposed analysts must clearly demonstrate which analytical areas the persons are qualified and experienced in. Areas cannot be general, e.g. political science or international relations, but must specifically address those listed in **B.5.2**.

The personnel do not have to be involved in the data collection or other parts of the scope of work but **must be involved in the analysis of data.**

The expertise must be verifiable from their CVs. (maximum 4 pages per CV)

NOTE: The implementation of this contract will rely to a very large extent on personnel., either hired directly by the Contractor or by its subcontractor(s) who will be responsible for the analysis of the collected data. Therefore, prior to replacing any of these individuals, the Contractor must notify both the Contracting Officer and the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) reasonably in advance and must submit written justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the project. No replacement can be made by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer.

2. **Methodology and Workplan:** Offerors must describe their methodology to implement the activities and tasks listed in section B and a draft workplan to achieve the deliverables stated in this RFO. (maximum 7 pages)

D.2.2 EVIDENCE OF RESPONSIBILITY

Limited to 3 pages, the Offeror must submit sufficient evidence of responsibility for the contracting officer to make an affirmative determination of responsibility pursuant to the requirements of FAR Subsection 9.104-1. However, in the case of a small business Offeror, the Contracting Officer will comply with FAR 19.6. The Offeror must address each element of responsibility below.

To be determined responsible, a prospective Contractor must:

- (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them (see FAR 9.104-3(a));
- (2) Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental commitments;
- (3) Have a satisfactory performance record (See FAR 9.104-3(b) and Subpart 42.15). A prospective Contractor shall not be determined responsible or non-responsible solely on the basis of a lack of relevant performance history, except as provided in FAR 9.104-2;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (5) Have the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational controls, and technical skills, or the ability to obtain them (including, as appropriate, such elements as production control procedures, property control systems, quality assurance measures, and safety programs applicable to materials to be produced or services to be performed by the prospective Contractor and subcontractors). (See FAR 9.104-3(a));
- (6) Have the necessary production, construction, and technical equipment and facilities, or the ability to obtain them (See FAR 9.104-3(a)); and
- (7) Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations (e.g., Equal Opportunity, Clean Air and Water, etc.).

D.2.3 PAST PERFORMANCE

The offeror should provide a minimum of three (3) references where they performed same or similar works in the past 5 years. The reference documents need to contain name of the entities, addresses and their phone or email, the time these works were performed, the amount of the contract, and contain a brief description of these tasks. These references shall be used by USAID to evaluate offerors' past performance.

D.2.4 PRICE QUOTATION

The cover page of this solicitation [Standard Form (SF) 1449,

Solicitation/Contract/Order for Commercial Items] must be completed and signed and submitted with the quote. Organizations not subject to calculate and pay VAT must state that on the form.

A proposed payment schedule may be submitted with price quotation (see B.6 INVOICES AND PAYMENT above).

Note: For the price quotation, offerors are reminded that budgeting DBA and including the cost as part of the overall quoted price is a requirement, just as securing DBA after award is a requirement. USAID provides the following guidance for calculating the cost of DBA:

Offerors should calculate only one DBA amount for payroll, regardless of how many people are doing the work. Payroll includes standard salary, overtime, bonuses, danger/hazard pay, recruitment incentive, and post differential. It does not include Government mandated social benefits, such as retirement contributions. To calculate, take the daily rate of each worker times the number of working days only and this would equal the payroll. For example, you have 5 people working on a contract for \$200 per day, for 15 days. The total payroll you would use to calculate the total quoted price would be \$15,000. Then take the \$15,000 and multiply it by the rate for the coverage and that equals the DBA premium to be charged. The current rate as of 30/11/17 is \$2.00 per \$100 of payroll, so the premium based on the above example would be \$300.

Additional Requirements:

- **1. Evidence of Responsibility:** With the quote the Offeror must submit sufficient evidence of responsibility for the contracting officer to make an affirmative determination of responsibility.
- **2. Representations and Certifications:** A completed copy of the representations and certifications at FAR 52.212-3 (Section D.6 below) must be submitted with the quote.

Quotations are limited to the stated number of pages per each section. Pages that contain a table, chart, graph, etc. are subject to the stated page limitation. **Any pages beyond this will NOT be evaluated.**

Quotations shall be written in English on A4-size, 216mm by 297mm paper and typed using 11-point font size with each page numbered consecutively and submitted in Microsoft Word (2004 – 2010). Proposals must be legible. Double-sided pages count as 2 pages.

Please make sure to type the email addresses as per instructions. It is the offeror's responsibility to verify receipt of their quote by USAID.

D.3 EVALUATION FACTORS

The Government will award a purchase order resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered.

D.3.1 Technical Factors

The following factors shown in descending order of importance shall be used to evaluate offers:

(1) Personnel

Quality and appropriateness of proposed personnel (analysts).

(2) Methodology and Work Plan

Quality of the proposed methodology and the extent to which the methodology is likely to achieve the deliverables on time, based on the work plan.

The evaluation factors listed above are presented in descending order of importance so that Offerors will know which areas require emphasis. Personnel is the more important evaluation factor than the methodology and work plan.

D.3.2 Past Performance

Performance information may be used for both the responsibility determination and best value decision. USAID may use performance information obtained from other than the sources identified by the offeror. USAID will utilize existing databases of contractor performance information and solicit additional information from other sources. Adverse past performance information to which the offeror previously has not had an opportunity to respond will be addressed in accordance with USG policies and procedures. USAID will initially determine the relevance of similar performance information as a predictor of probable performance under the subject requirement.

An Offeror's performance will not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably when:

- (1) The Offeror lacks relevant performance history,
- (2) Information on performance is not available, or
- (3) The Offeror is a member of a class of Offerors where there is provision not to rate the class against an element.

Past performance will not be scored and will be evaluated on a "Satisfactory / Unsatisfactory/ Neutral" basis. Offerors determined to have unsatisfactory past performance will be ineligible for award. A "Neutral" score will be given to Offerors who have no record of relevant past performance, or who have a record of relevant past performance that is not extensive. An Offeror's performance will not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably (Neutral rating) when the Offeror lacks relevant performance history or information on performance is not available. When this occurs, an Offeror lacking relevant performance history is assigned a "neutral" rating.

D.3.3 Price

Price will be evaluated for reasonability in accordance with the FAR 15.404-1.

D.4 EVALUATION PROCESS

This procurement utilizes the tradeoff process set forth in FAR 15.101-1. USAID may award the contract to an offeror with a higher price, provided that the non-price factor merits the additional price. For overall evaluation purposes of this RFQ, the non-price factor is considered more important than the price factor. The Government may award a contract without discussions with offerors.

D.5 52.217-5 EVALUATIONN OF OPTIONS (JUL 1990)

Except when it is determined in accordance with FAR 17.206(b) not to be in the Government's best interests, the Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(End of provision)

D.6 FAR 52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CETIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS

(NOV 2020)

The Offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically in the System for Award Management (SAM) accessed through https://www.sam.gov. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (v)) of this provision.

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

"Covered telecommunications equipment or services" has the meaning provided in the clause <u>52.204-25</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

Forced or indentured child labor means all work or service—

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

Highest-level owner means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

Immediate owner means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

Inverted domestic corporation, means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under <u>6 U.S.C. 395(b)</u>, applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of <u>6 U.S.C. 395(c)</u>.

Manufactured end product means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
- (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) PSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

Place of manufacture means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

Predecessor means an entity that is replaced by a successor and includes any predecessors of the predecessor.

Reasonable inquiry has the meaning provided in the clause <u>52.204-25</u>, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Restricted business operations means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;

- (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
- (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
- (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or
 - (6) Have been voluntarily suspended. "Sensitive technology"—

Sensitive technology—

- (1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—
 - (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or
 - (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and
- (2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3)of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern—

- (1) Means a small business concern—
- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veteransor, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in <u>38 U.S.C. 101(2)</u>, with a disability that is service connected, as defined in <u>38 U.S.C. 101(16)</u>.

Small business concern—

- (1) Means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.
- (2) Affiliates, as used in this definition, means business concerns, one of whom directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control the others, or a third party or parties control or have the power to control the others. In determining whether affiliation exists, consideration is given to all

appropriate factors including common ownership, common management, and contractual relationships. SBA determines affiliation based on the factors set forth at 13 CFR 121.103.

Small disadvantaged business concern, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002, means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that—

- (1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by—
- (i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States; and
- (ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR124.104(c)(2); and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13.CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

Subsidiary means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation

Successor means an entity that has replaced a predecessor by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the predecessor under a new name (often through acquisition or merger). The term "successor" does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the successor for the liabilities of the predecessor may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

Veteran-owned small business concern means a small business concern—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127), means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

Women-owned small business concern means a small business concern—

(1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and

- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- (b) (1) Annual Representations and Certifications. Any changes provided by the Offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM
- (2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through http://www.sam.gov. After reviewing SAM information, the Offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this solicitation), at the time this offer is submitted and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs

[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.

These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]

- (c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.
- (1) Small business concern. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it \square is, \square is not a small business concern.
- (2) Veteran-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it \Box is, \Box is not a veteran-owned small business concern.
- (3) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it \Box is, \Box is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.
- (4) Small disadvantaged business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, that it \Box is, \Box is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR124.1002.
- (5) Women-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it \square is, \square is not a women-owned small business concern.

- (6) WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-
- (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and
- (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: ☐ .] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.
- (7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-
- (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and
- (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: ☐ .] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

Note: Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

- (8) Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern). [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it \Box is a women-owned business concern.
- (9) Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns. If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:
- (10) HUBZone small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—

- (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material changes in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage have occurred since it was certified in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and
- (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the names of each of the HUBZone small business concerns participating in the HUBZone joint venture: ☐.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.
 - (d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order11246-
 - (1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that-
- (i) It ☐ has, ☐ has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and
 - (ii) It □ has, □ has not filed all required compliance reports.
 - (2) Affirmative Action Compliance. The offeror represents that-
- (i) It ☐ has developed and has on file, ☐ has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or
- (ii) It ☐ has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.
- (e) Certification Regarding Payments Influence Federal **Transactions** to (31 http://uscode.house.gov/U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.
- (f) Buy American Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) <u>52.225-1</u>, Buy American-Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)
- (1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered

components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of "domestic end product." The terms "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item" "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Supplies."

(2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

- (3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25.
- (g) (1) Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms "Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product," "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," "Free Trade Agreement country," "Free Trade Agreement country end product," "Israeli end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act."
- (ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act." The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of "domestic end product."

Other Foreign End Products:

Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR <u>part 25</u>.

- (2) Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I. If Alternate I to the clause at FAR <u>52.225-3</u> is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:

Line Item No.	
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[List as necessary]

- (3) Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II. If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(4) Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III. If Alternate III to the clause at 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

- (5) *Trade Agreements Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR <u>52.225-5</u>, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Trade Agreements."
- (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

- (iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.
- (h) Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689). (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—
- (1) Are, are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
- (2) ☐ Have, ☐ have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of

offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;

- (3) \square Are, \square are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and
- (4) \square Have, \square have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds the threshold at 9.104-5(a)(2) for which the liability remains unsatisfied.
 - (i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:
- (A) The tax liability is finally determined. The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.
- (B) The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment. A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(ii) Examples.

- (A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
- (B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
- (C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.
- (D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. §362 (the Bankruptcy Code).
- (i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under

this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at <u>22.1503</u>(b).]

(1) *Listed end products*.

Listed End Product	Listed Countries of Origin	

- (2) Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]
- (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.
- (ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.
- (j) Place of manufacture. (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly-
- (1) In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or
 - (2) ☐ Outside the United States.
- (k) Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]
- (1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR $\underline{22.1003}$ - $\underline{4}(c)(1)$. The offeror \Box does \Box does not certify that—

- (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;
- (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR $\underline{22.1003-4}(c)(2)(ii)$) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and
- (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.
- (2) Certain services as described in FAR $\underline{22.1003-4}(d)(1)$. The offeror \square does \square does not certify that-
- (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;
- (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));
- (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and
- (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.
 - (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—
- (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and
- (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (1) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to the SAM to be eligible for award.)
- (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (1)(3) through (1)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting

requirements of <u>26 U.S.C. 6041</u>, <u>6041A</u>, <u>and 6050M</u>, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN. (3) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). TIN has been applied for. TIN is not required because: Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States; Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government. (4) *Type of organization*. Sole proprietorship; Partnership; Corporate entity (not tax-exempt); Corporate entity (tax-exempt); Government entity (Federal, State, or local); Foreign government; International organization per 26 CFR1.6049-4; Other . (5) Common parent. Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

Name and TIN of common parent:

Name			
TIN			

- (m) Restricted business operations in Sudan. By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.
 - (n) Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations.
- (1) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-2(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-4.
 - (2) Representation. The Offeror represents that—
 - (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
 - (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.
- (o) Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.
- (1) The offeror shall e-mail questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.
- (2) Representation and Certifications. Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror-
- (i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;
- (ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and
- (iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds the threshold at FAR <u>25.703-2(a)(2)</u> with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx).
- (3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if-

- (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (e.g., $\underline{52.212-3}(g)$ or a comparable agency provision); and
- (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.
- (p) Ownership or Control of Offeror. (Applies in all solicitations when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a unique entity identifier in the solicitation).
- (1) The Offeror represents that it \square has or \square does not have an immediate owner. If the Offeror has more than one immediate owner (such as a joint venture), then the Offeror shall respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.
- (2) If the Offeror indicates "has" in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:

	Immediate owner CAGE code:
	Immediate owner legal name:
	(Do not use a "doing business as" name)
	Is the immediate owner owned or controlled by another entity: ☐ Yes or ☐ No.
mmedia	(3) If the Offeror indicates "yes" in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the ate owner is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:
	Highest-level owner CAGE code:
	Highest-level owner legal name:
	(Do not use a "doing business as" name)

- (q) Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law.
- (1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that—
- (i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or

(ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(2) The Offeror represents that—

- (i) It is ☐ is not ☐ a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
- (ii) It is ☐ is not ☐ a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.
- (r) *Predecessor of Offeror*. (Applies in all solicitations that include the provision at <u>52.204-16</u>, Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)
- (1) The Offeror represents that it \square is or \square is not a successor to a predecessor that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.
- (2) If the Offeror has indicated "is" in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all predecessors that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one predecessor, list in reverse chronological order):

Predecessor CAGE code: (or mark "Unknown").
Predecessor legal name:
(Do not use a "doing business as" name).

(s) [Reserved].

- (t) Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals. Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (12.301(d)(1)).
- (1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.
 - (2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)].
- (i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) ☐ does, ☐ does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible website the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.

- (ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) does, does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible website a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.
- (iii) A publicly accessible website includes the Offeror's own website or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.
- (3) If the Offeror checked "does" in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible website(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:
- (u) (1) In accordance with section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.
- (2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.
- (3) Representation. By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).
- (v) Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation. Section 889(a)(1)(A) and section 889 (a)(1)(B) of Public Law 115-232.
- (1) The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

(2) The Offeror represents that—

(i) It does, does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.

(ii) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, that it ☐ does, ☐ does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of Provision)

D.7 DBA INSURANCE

Pursuant to AIDAR 752.228-3 Worker's Compensation Insurance (Defense Base Act), USAID's DBA insurance carrier is: Allied World Assurance Company (AWAC) under USAID contract number AID-OAA-C-16-00015.

A. RATES

Contract Year	Period of Performance	Services	Construction	Security
Base Period	12/1/15 - 11/30/17	\$2.00	\$4.50	\$7.50
Option 1	12/1/17 - 11/30/18	\$2.00	\$4.50	\$7.50/\$10.00/\$12.50 (see Notes)
Option 2	12/1/18 - 11/30/19	\$2.00	\$4.50	\$7.50/\$10.00/\$12.50 (see Notes)
Option 3	12/1/19 - 5/31/2021	\$2.00	\$4.50	\$7.50/\$10.00/\$12.50 (see Notes)

Notes:

For Option Periods 1, 2 and 3, the percentage of USAID security payroll would be measured as of the last day of the preceding period (i.e. the base period or the immediately preceding option period), which is referred to as the "measurement date".

- 1) If at the measurement date, the percentage of USAID security payroll remains between 0-10.0% of total payroll, the security rate in the next option period will be \$7.50/\$100 employee remuneration.
- 2) If at the measurement date, the percentage of USAID security payroll is above 10.0% to 25.0% of total payroll, the security rate in the next option period will be \$10.00/\$100 employee remuneration.
- 3) If at the measurement date, the percentage of USAID security payroll exceeds 25.0% of total payroll, the security rate in the next option period will be \$12.50/\$100 employee remuneration.
- 4) The term "wages" means the money rate at which the service rendered by an employee is compensated by an employer under the contract of hiring in force at the time of the injury, including the reasonable value of any advantage which is received from the employer and included for purposes of any withholding of tax under subtitle C of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 [26 USC §§ 3101 et seq.] (relating to employee taxes). The term wages does not include fringe benefits, including (but not limited to) employer payments for or contribution to a retirement, pension, health and welfare, life insurance, training, social security or other employee or dependent benefit plan for the employee's or dependent's benefit, or any other employee's dependent entitlement. Maximum rate of compensation

- shall not exceed 200 per centum of the applicable national average weekly wage (NAWW) as calculated by the Secretary of Labor. The current NAWW can be found at http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/nawwinfo.htm.
- 5) The new rate structure aligns DBA rates to the likelihood that specific types of contracts will incur different frequency of DBA payouts and of differing dollar amounts. Those having greater risk pay greater premiums. Those with anticipated lower risk pay lesser premiums. The concept is to associate specific costs to a contract predicated upon the potential DBA risks under the same contract. The risk is predicated on the nature and inherent danger of certain categories of contracts (and performance under those awards).
- 6) For contracts that include Aviation, ground crews shall be categorized as Construction, and flight crew shall be categorized as Security.

Upon the Option Year being exercised, the contractor must confirm in writing, the security payroll percentage as of the measurement date of the preceding period of performance to the CO.

B. OBTAINING DBA COVERAGE

Contractors must apply for coverage directly to AON Risk Insurance Services Inc., the agent for AWAC DBA Insurance. For instructions on the required application form and submission requirements, contact the following office:

AON Risk Insurance Services West, Inc. 2033 N. Main St., Suite 760 Walnut Creek, CA 94596-3722 Hours: 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 PM, Pacific Time

Primary Contact: Fred Robinson

Phone: (925) 951-1856 Fax: (925) 951-1890

Email: Fred.Robinson@aon.com

C. NOTICE OF EXCLUSION OF MEDICAL EVACUATION COVERAGE

Pursuant to AIDAR 752.228-70, medical evacuation insurance is a separate insurance requirement for overseas performance of USAID contracts; the Defense Base Act insurance does not provide coverage for medical evacuation.

D. WAIVERS FOR THIRD COUNTRY AND LOCAL NATIONALS

The list of countries with active DBA waivers is available at http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/dbawaivers/dbawaivers.htm. In accordance with ADS 302, Missions may obtain a country-based waiver by sending a request to M/OAA Evaluation Division at dbawaiverrequests@usaid.gov.

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