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**LETTER OF INTEREST**  
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<b>Title - Sujet</b> R&O Remote Weapon System	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> W8486-120234/A	<b>Date</b> 2014-03-10
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> W8486-120234	<b>GETS Ref. No. - N° de réf. de SEAG</b> PW-\$\$BL-273-24367
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> 273bl.W8486-120234	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2014-04-23</b>	
<b>Time Zone</b> <b>Fuseau horaire</b> Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT	
<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> Specified Herein - Précisé dans les présentes <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Laprise, J-F	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> 273bl
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (819) 956-0002 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> (819) 956-0648
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b> DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE 25 CFSD RECEIPTS SECTION CFB MONTREAL 6363 RUE NOTRE DAME ST E. MONTREAL Quebec H1N2E9 Canada	

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<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur ( taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie )</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

**LETTER OF INTEREST  
TRACKED LIGHT ARMoured VEHICLE  
REPAIR & OVERHAUL / UPGRADE OF THE AN/MWG 505 REMOTE WEAPON  
SYSTEM (RWS)**

**1. GENERAL**

- 1.1 The Department of National Defence (DND) has a requirement to:
- a. Provide third line support to the AN/MWG 505 Remote Weapon System (RWS); and/or
  - b. Upgrade the AN/MWG 505 RWS and provide third line support to the upgraded system.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 DND uses the AN/MWG 505 RWS on two armoured platforms, namely: the Tracked Light Armoured Vehicle and the Wheeled Light Armoured Vehicle. Due to a quantity of associated non serviceable assemblies for this RWS, DND would like to investigate the possibility of establishing a third line support contract for those assemblies or replacing the entire system. The requested information is needed to help with decisions related to the future of the current RWS.

**3. PURPOSE OF LETTER OF INTEREST**

- 3.1 In order to assist DND in properly choosing between establishing a third line support contract for the current system, replacing the current system with a comparable system currently available on the market, or doing without the capability, DND would like to request some information from industry. In the event that respondents do not have sufficient property rights or would rather not respond to any portion of this request, they can respond to the remainder of the items asked.
- 3.2 This is not a bid solicitation and no contract will result directly from this Letter of Interest (LOI).

**4. PROJECT SCOPE**

- 4.1 The interim high-level mandatory requirements to R&O the AN/MWG 505 RWS are contained within Annex A. The Statement of Work (SOW) will be developed in due course based on an internal analysis of available information from various sources, including information received from industry.

## **5. PROCUREMENT MILESTONES**

- 5.1 In providing responses the following schedule should be utilized as a baseline:

<b>R&amp;O / TIES / Spares Contract on the AN/MWG 505 RWS</b>  <b>And/Or</b>  <b>RWS replacement and R&amp;O / TIES / Spares Contract on the new system</b>	
Milestones	
Projected Timeline	
LOI closing	April 2014
Request for Proposal release	TBD
Request for Proposal closing	TBD
Contract Award (CA)	TBD

## **6. SECURITY**

- 6.1 Respondents are requested to indicate their ability, and that of any subcontractors, to accommodate personnel and facility security requirements, together with controlled goods restrictions (e.g. International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), export licenses and 3rd party release requirements. Respondents are to clearly identify any implications that may affect delivery of the proposed project in accordance with the Industrial Security Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) requirements.

## **7. REQUESTED INFORMATION**

- 7.1 Based on the requirements detailed in this document, the LOI seeks potential suppliers to provide the following information:

### **7.1.1 Third line repair support to the AN/MWG 505 RWS**

- a. Confirm if they have or are privy to the Intellectual Property rights associated with any line item in Annex A on the AN/MWG 505 RWS and demonstrate if they either own the Intellectual Property rights, have licensing agreements or working partnership with the Original Equipment Manufacturer, Rafael Advanced Defence Systems Limited. If respondents do not have access to these rights, they can proceed to paragraph 7.1.2.

- b. Confirm that they have an interest and a capability to R&O each line item in Annex A. Respondents are requested to provide their comments and concerns on the requirement and/or any line item.
- c. Provide a statement of their delivery capability by indicating the turn around time to repair each item in Annex A. Respondents can add comments where they perceive risk.
- d. Provide information on any controlled goods restrictions (ITAR, Controlled Goods Regulations), export licenses, security and 3rd party release implications that may affect delivery of the solution, and constraints.
- e. For each line item in Annex A, provide the following costing information: Cost of a new item, Average R&O cost, Maximum R&O cost, and state your capability to provide a new item.

#### 7.1.2 RWS Replacement and third line support

- a. Provide pricing for varying quantities of 45, 110 and 163 RWS that are stabilized, single weapon system (C6, 7.62mm compatible), equipped with day and thermal sights, minimum of 440 round ready ammo, 360 degree slew, -10 to +60 degree range of elevation and an adjustable Fire Inhibit Zones for changing vehicle configurations.
- b. Provide pricing to support integration to the existing fleets of vehicles with the AN/MWG 505.
- c. Provide pricing for an Initial Provisioning of two years for spare parts and Special Tools and Test Equipment (STTE).
- d. Provide pricing for documentation such as, but not limited to: first and second line repair manuals, operator manuals, and equipment description manuals.
- e. Provide pricing for maintenance and operator training for multiple serials (of each) until such time the Canadian Armed Forces can implement the required training for both technicians and operators.
- f. Provide a breakdown of major sub-assemblies and the following information for each major sub-assembly: Average Repair Time, Average R&O cost, Maximum R&O cost and cost of a new item.

7.1.3 Respondents are requested to provide company point of contact for future communications.

## **8. NOTE TO POTENTIAL RESPONDENTS**

8.1 This is not a bid solicitation and no contract will result from it.

8.2 The Statement of Work is currently being developed and is subject to change based on the evolution of the requirement, which may be as a result of information provided by industry.

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- 8.3 Potential respondents are advised that any information submitted to Canada in response to this LOI may be used by Canada in the development of a competitive Request For Proposal (RFP).
- 8.4 The issuance of this LOI does not create an obligation for Canada to issue a draft or final Request For Proposal, and does not bind Canada legally or otherwise, to enter into any agreement or to accept or reject any suggestions.
- 8.5 Canada assumes no responsibility or obligation with respect to the cost of preparing a response to this LOI.
- 8.6 Participation in this LOI is not a condition or prerequisite for participation in any subsequent draft or final RFP. As a result of this LOI there will be no short listing of firms for the purposes of undertaking future work.
- 8.7 Respondents to this LOI should clearly identify all submitted information as to whether or not it must be considered as confidential and/or proprietary. Information provided in response to this LOI will be divulged only to government officials authorized to participate in this pre-procurement activity. However, respondents must be aware that aspects of their response may be used as a basis for modifying the draft documents, as any future procurement for this requirement is prepared.
- 8.8 PWGSC reserves the right to meet with industry concerning the feedback.

## **9. ENQUIRIES**

- 9.1 All enquiries, clarification requests and other communications related to this LOI must be directed exclusively to the point of contact named below.
- 9.2 Interested suppliers that intend to respond to this LOI are requested to advise PWGSC by e-mail so that questions and answers, clarification or changes may be promulgated if required.

## **10. CLOSING DATE**

- 10.1 Responses to this LOI are to be submitted to the point of contact identified below, on or before the close of business on April 23, 2014. You are requested to submit two (2) paper copies and 5 electronic copies of your response to the point of contact.

## **11. CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

- 11.1 The point of contact for this LOI is:  
Jean-François Laprise  
Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)  
Defence and Major Projects Sector (DMPS)  
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## **12. ANNEX A**

- 12.1 Annex A is available upon request. Please communicate with the point of contact mentioned above.