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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT  
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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<b>Title - Sujet</b> General Purpose Combat Boots	
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#### AMENDMENT 004

This amendment is raised to answer questions from potential bidders. This amendment will also make changes to specifications at Annex B and Annex C.

##### QUESTION 18:

*Reference: Follow-up to question 3*

GYW and direct injection processes are not sole setting methods but, rather, manufacturing methods. Each requires different components. With the GYW process, the outsole is glued to the midsole and then trimmed. With direct injection, the sole is inserted in the mold, and to create the midsole, we inject PU directly between the boot and the outsole. As a result, it is not possible to use the same mold to build the sole specified in 3.5.15. So, please confirm that you accept that, for direct injection, we use a mold that is appropriate to the direct injection method, which will result in a sole that is equivalent to the one produced by mold DND 602-1 and has the same characteristics as 3.5.15.2.

**ANSWER:** Refer to Amendment 002, "Additional Changes to the Specification at Annex B".

A mold suitable for the direct injection method using metal soleplates to manufacture by any of the outsole options outlined in Annex B, paragraph 3.5.15.1 and the compound technical requirements outlined in Annex B, paragraph 3.5.15.2 will result in a compliant outsole.

##### QUESTION 19 :

There is double stitching near the eyelets and tunnel loops on Sealed Sample DSSPM 364-07, but in Appendix 1 to Annex B, there is only single stitching (Figures 1, 2, and Figure 4).

**ANSWER:** The double stitching shown on Sealed Pattern 364-07 is correct.

DND **REVISES** Appendix 1 to Annex B to add Figure 10 and state the following "Figure 10: Note that the seams securing the boot lining, tongue, and eyelet facing will result in double stitched seam on the exterior of the boot."



**Figure 10:** Note that the seams securing the boot lining, tongue, and eyelet facing will result in double stitched seam on the exterior of the boot.

**QUESTION 20:**

Laces are being referenced throughout the document as part number N8335-21-920-9368. This number is repeated on the cover page for Annex C.

Unfortunately the contents of Annex C reference part number N8435-21-921-9368 A/A.

**ANSWER:**

To confirm, the correct NATO Stock Number for the black laces is 8335-21-920-9368. The following revision applies:

In Annex C, **DELETE** all references to "NSN 8435-21-921-9368".

**SUBSTITUTE** "NSN 8335-21-920-9368".

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**QUESTION 21:**

Please confirm that DND would also consider Vibram Sole 1324 (Vibram® 360 Force) which is very similar to the proposed profile and more appropriate to direct injection.

**ANSWER:**

DND would also consider Vibram Sole 1324 (Vibram® 360 Force). The following revisions apply:

**ADD** to paragraph 3.5.15.1 (Outsole):

f. Vibram® 1324 unit sole (Vibram® 360 Force). Outsoles that conform to this requirement have been known to be available from Vibram USA (Damon Mill Square, Concord, MA 01742, tel: 978-318-0000; e-mail: [www.vibram.com](http://www.vibram.com));

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**QUESTION 22:**

With respect to the removable cushion insert (Annex B, paragraph 3.5.13), given that DND has no known supplier (response to question 9) and that the product required is able to be injection moulded in two densities (PU and Gel), we will need to develop a mold for this product. Therefore there will be a time frame to manufacture the new insert.

(a) Does PWGSC / DND agrees to extend the closing date for the submission of 2 weeks to manufacture the mold required?

(b) Would DND accept an exemption for a replacement of that used in the sample to be submitted with the bid and will be replaced by an insert that we will develop for the production if we win the contract?

**ANSWER:**

There is a commercial supplier of the removable cushion insert as per paragraphs 2.4, paragraphs 3.5.13, DSSPM 392-14. As stated in the response to Question 9, "DND has never purchased the removable cushion insert product (referenced in Annex B, paragraphs 2.4, paragraphs 3.5.13, and Sealed Pattern DSSPM 392-14) **under separate procurement**". DND *cannot provide the source* as it is commercial-in-confidence.

DND will **not** extend the closing date due to issues with sourcing the removable cushion insert. For the pre-award samples, DND will allow a deviation for the design and materials of the removable cushion insert provided that the covering letter for the bid submission makes reference to this deviation and states that, if awarded the contract, all materials used in the manufacture of the boot will be fully compliant.

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**QUESTION 23:**

Regarding Annex B, paragraph 3.5.13, (removable cushioned insert, made of PU foam and gel elastomeric), no hardness is mentioned. Please confirm if the hardness is at the discretion of the manufacturer.

**ANSWER:** See response to Question 21 above. DSSPM 392-14 is to be used as guidance for materials and design.

**All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.**