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ADDENDUM No. 004
SOLICITATION No. 20-158445

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Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD)
Ministère des Affaires étrangères, Commerce et Développement (MAECD)

Request for Proposal
Demande de proposition

Proposal to:

Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development
We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached here to, the goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefore.

Proposition à:

Ministère des Affaires Étrangères, Commerce et Développement
Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux appendices ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

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Title-Sujet: Headquarters Emergency Response Team (HQ-ERT) functional exercise	
Solicitation No. — N° de l'invitation 20-158445	Date: December 18, 2019
Solicitation Closes — L'invitation prend fin	Time Zone —Fuseau horaire
At /à: 2 :00 PM	EDT(Eastern Daylight Time) / HAE (heure avancée de l'Est)
On / le December 23, 2019	
F.O.B. — F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other — Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to — Addresser les questions à: Assane Ndiaye assane.ndiaye@international.gc.ca	
Telephone No. – No de téléphone: (343) 203-5579	
Destination of Goods and or Services/ Destination – des biens et ou services : Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) / Ministère des Affaires étrangères, Commerce et Développement (MAECD)	
Vendor/Firm Name and Address — Nom du Vendeur et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur:	
Telephone No. – No de téléphone:	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) — Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Name, Title	
Signature	Date

Addendum n° 004

Addendum No. 004 is raised to make the following changes:

A. The following questions have been received, and DFATD hereby answers as follows:

Question 1:

For M2 mandatory, would Canada accept a Lead resource with 2 years experience in the last 10 years as opposed to the current requirement of 2 years experience in the last 5 years?

Answer 1:

Yes. M2 is modified as follows:

M2	Experience in developing and delivering an exercise The Bidder must identify one lead resource in their proposal. This lead resource must have at least two (2) years of experience in the last five (5) ten (10) years in exercise* delivery and development (i.e. design, development and/or delivery). Bidder must provide a summary of the proposed lead resource's experience demonstrating required experience. *Exercise can include tabletop, functional and/or full-scale exercises.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cross Reference to Proposal:			

Question 2:

I represent a foreign country in the UK and am intending to submit a bid for the exercise as listed in the Solicitation and hope that the company is not deemed non-responsive due to the security requirements. The solicitation requires that:

COMMON PS SRCL #6

1. *The Contractor/Offeror must, at all times during the performance of the Contract/Standing Offer/Supply Arrangement, hold a valid Designated Organization Screening (DOS), issued by the Canadian Industrial Security Directorate (CISD), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)*
2. *The Contractor/Offeror personnel requiring access to protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must EACH hold a valid **Reliability Status**, granted or approved by CISD/PWGSC*

3. *The Contractor/Offeror must not remove any protected information or assets from the identified work site(s), and the Contractor/Offeror must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction*
4. *Subcontracts which contain security requirements are not to be awarded without the prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC*
5. *The Contractor/Offeror must comply with the provisions of the:*
 - a. *Security Requirements Check List attached at Annex "C"*
 - b. *Industrial Security Manual (Latest Edition)*

In my current roles and advisory positions that I hold I am not required to hold any form of security clearance for operating in the UK. I regularly work with UK police and government organisations, but am not exposed to, nor need access to, information that is classified under UK requirements.

I am happy to put our company forward for security scrutiny for the purposes of the current Canadian bid process if required. I am also able to attest that as a representative of a potential 'foreign supplier' for the bid I will ensure compliance with Canadian security requirements. In the UK, to design, develop and deliver an exercise of the type listed in the Solicitation document, and the associated Scope of Work, I would not require security clearance.

So, in summary, can the security requirement be modified allowing a foreign supplier that has neither a DOS nor a reliability clearance to submit a responsive bid?

Answer 2:

The level of security required for this contract is Reliability. A foreign supplier can obtain a Reliability Equivalency through the Alternate Solutions once it has been chosen as the winning bidder. To obtain a reliability equivalency, the supplier will have to submit the following at contract award phase:

- Proof of incorporation.
- Attestation from a company security officer,
- Background information for employees and a criminal record check for the employees.
- Any additional information required by the department of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)

Clause 6.1 of the RFP is modified as follows:

6.1 Security Requirements

~~At the date of bid closing~~ **Before award of a contract**, the following conditions must be met:

- (a) the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 - Resulting Contract Clauses;
- (b) the Bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites must meet the security requirements as indicated in Part 7 - Resulting Contract Clauses;
- (c) the Bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites;

For additional information on security requirements, Bidders should refer to the [Contract Security Program](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html) of Public Works and Government Services Canada (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html>) website.