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POST-RFI CLARIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION

The purpose of this final amendment to the RFI is to prepare Industry for the RFP process and to inform of the changes to the ASCCM TACS project.

1. In order to facilitate the RFP process, we recommend that you send us a confirmation of your Security Clearance for Canadian Confidential and NATO Confidential levels, along with your Vendor Code, to the Contracting Authority at Mathieu.briere-provost@pwgsc.gc.ca. If you do not already have one, please 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.
2. Please take note that all the Priority 1 requirements delivery deadline have been moved from 3 months to 6 months after contract award. This change will be officialised at RFP release.
3. TACS Demonstration requirements and evaluation:
 - 3.1. The draft RFP Annex pertaining to demonstration can be requested through the Contracting Authority at Mathieu.briere-provost@pwgsc.gc.ca. It must be noted that these documents are in early drafts and subject to changes. The early provision of these documents is intended to aid early preparations for the demo.
 - 3.2. DND encourages bidders to utilize their own emulators and tools for the purpose of demonstration. If requirement for a particular GFS tools and/or emulators is deemed unavoidable, an advance notice of requests should be forwarded to the Contracting Authority at Mathieu.briere-provost@pwgsc.gc.ca
 - 3.3. The TACS demonstration evaluation will be focused on each solution's availability and readiness. Availability of a system/sub-systems is defined as existence of a physical and tangible solution. Readiness of a system/sub-system is defined as being fully implemented and integrated.
4. Based on the discussion with Industry during the RFI meetings, Canada is going to review and amend certain technical aspects of the RFP, including but not limited to the following points:
 - 4.1. The Integrated Broadcast Service (IBS) implementation standards, requirement 6.1.11., is going to be moved out of the current TACS scope, and will be developed and integrated under future TACS enhancement tasks.
 - 4.2. All requirements related to VMF, Canadian VMF and SADL data processing and exchange interface are going to be prioritized as Priority-Two (P2), in accordance with the RFP TACS-A2-Appendix-POD document, and being targeted for the final release of the TACS (FOC).
 - 4.3. The Link-16 related functions implementation is required to be compliant to only MIL-STD or STANAG at the first delivery of TACS (IOC). The TACS must be compliant to both standards at the final delivery (FOC).

- 4.4. The operational need of certain requirements will be reviewed and their category (Mandatory / Rated) will possibly be changed as per consequence.
- 4.5. The deliverable priority of mandatory and rated requirements will be reviewed and readjusted IAW with the reviewed implementation scope.
- 4.6. The Demonstration plan will be amended and will be focused on the essential capabilities only.
- 4.7. The Scoring Matrix for rated requirements will be reviewed and re-adjusted in accordance with the reviewed operational needs.
- 5. With regards to the Acquisition contract specifically, and for the purposes of formulating the bid, the RFI indicated Acquisition budget is only reflective of the initial licenses, training and documentation only. It can be expected that costs related to DND626 tasking and Optional buys are over and above this ceiling.
- 6. RFP Release.
 - 6.1. The anticipated release of RFP is currently for early March.
 - 6.2. The RFP release is dependent on Governmental review and approval and may be subject to further delays.
- 7. As of today, all correspondence must be directed, in writing, in either official language of Canada, to the PWGSC Contract Authority identified below, via email at Mathieu.briere-provost@pwgsc.gc.ca.

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