Solicitation T8080-220074 - Q & A's #5

THIS SOLICITATION AMENDMENT IS RAISED TO:

1. Provide clarification and answers to questions from potential suppliers;

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question 16	There seems to be an issue with the financial tables beginning 28/37. In the bottom row, rather than asking for a total of columns E (english courses) nand column J (french courses) there is a complex formula: (Total of Total Column F – Lowest Value in Column F + 2 X Total Column J)
Answer 16	 The formula represents the annual total cost of the contract, which is based on the maximum cost of (a maximum of) four exercises in English + the cost of (a maximum of) two exercises in French. Rationale: Since there are five regions where an exercise in English is possible but up to only four regions who will have an exercise, it was decided that of one exercise should be eliminated from the total cost of the exercises in English. Since it is not known which of the five regions will have an exercise it was determined that the fairest methodology was to subtract the lowest cost exercise so as not to disadvantage any geographic location in Canada where a bidder may be located. The cost of the French exercises was determined to be simpler as they would likely be in the Quebec/NCR regions (similar costing) so the cost of these two exercises forms the second part of the costing formula. Therefore, for bid evaluation purposes, the total cost = Cost of (a maximum of) four (most expensive) exercises in English + the cost of (a maximum of) two exercises in French for each table in the basis of payment.