



# Request for Information

## Armoured Vehicle (AV) fleet

International Supply Chain Planning and Procurement

Global Affairs Canada

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## **Consultation Process**

For the procurement of Armoured Vehicles, industry will be engaged in a consultative process as the first step in this procurement process. The consultation process includes a Request for Information (RFI) stage that might be followed by an industry day and one-on-one meetings, as required.

Industry is invited to provide their input to GAC's Contracting Authority on the annex attached to the RFI document.

### **1. Purpose and Nature of the RFI**

#### **1.1 Purpose of this RFI**

GAC is currently defining its requirement for Armoured Vehicle. The information gathered from the industry through this RFI will help GAC understand what is available on the market which will allow GAC to develop a procurement strategy.

Industry is invited to provide their input to GAC's Contracting Authority. In order to facilitate the engagement process, industry is strongly encouraged to complete the AV specifications table found in Annex 'A'.

#### **1.2 Nature of Request for Information**

This is not a bid solicitation. This RFI will not result in the award of any contract. As a result, potential suppliers of any goods or services described in this RFI should not reserve stock or facilities, nor allocate resources, because of any information contained in this RFI. Nor will the RFI result in the creation of any source list. Therefore, if any potential supplier responds to this RFI, that supplier will not be precluded from participating in any future procurement. This RFI is intended to solicit industry feedback on the matters described in this RFI.

### **2. Response Instructions and Information**

#### **2.1 Nature and Format of Responses Request**

Respondents are requested to fill out the bar chart found in Annex 'A'.

#### **2.2 Response Costs**

Canada will not reimburse any respondent for expenses incurred in responding to this RFI.

#### **2.3 Treatment of Responses**

##### **2.3.1 Use of Responses**

Responses will not be formally evaluated. However, the responses received may be used by Canada to develop or modify the procurement strategy or any draft document contained in this RFI or under development in support of this procurement. Canada will review all responses received by the RFI closing date. Canada may, at its discretion, review responses received after the RFI closing date.



### **2.3.2 Review Team**

A review team composed of Canada's representatives will review the responses. Canada reserves the right to hire any independent consultant or use any Government resources that it considers necessary to review any response. Not all members of the review team will necessarily review all responses. Any independent consultants used for this purpose will be required to sign a non-disclosure agreement. In addition, any independent consultants used for this purpose will be barred from participating in any bidding team under the non-compete clause in any procurement process that may result from the AV project.

### **2.3.3 Access to Information**

All Industry consultations will be documented, and any resulting information should be subject to Canada's Access to Information Act. Any information that industry participants would like to be treated as confidential, and therefore subject to the provisions of the Access to Information Act (R.S. 1985, c. A-1) and the Privacy Act (R.S., 1985, c. P-21), should be marked as proprietary or commercial-in-confidence (<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/P-21/index.html>).

### **2.3.4 Fairness Monitoring**

Canada has not engaged the services of a Fairness Monitor for this RFI process. Any resultant solicitation(s)/contract(s) that may be established from this RFI process may require the services of a Fairness Monitor, but shall be determined at that time, on a case-by-case basis.

## **2.4 Contents of this RFI**

Annex 'A' - AV Specifications Bar Chart

## **2.5 Format and Submission of Responses**

### **2.5.1 Title Page**

The first page of the response, after the cover page, should be the title page, which should contain:

- (i) the title of the respondent's response and the volume number;
- (ii) the name and address of the respondent;
- (iii) the name, address and telephone number of the respondent's contact;
- (iv) the date; and
- (v) the RFI number

### **2.5.2 Bar Chart System**

Respondents are requested to prepare their response using the AV specifications bar chart provided in Annex 'A' of this RFI.

### **2.5.3 Website references**

It is preferred that all pertinent information be included in the respondent's RFI response, without the need to visit the respondent's web sites. If necessary, however, web site references may be provided for



additional information beyond that requested in this RFI. If this is the case, it should be noted that the information contained in such web sites would not be used for the analysis of the responses to this RFI.

#### **2.5.4 Format**

Responses must be submitted in Adobe PDF format.

#### **2.5.5 Language**

Responses may be in English or French, at the preference of the respondent.

### **2.6 Submission of Responses**

#### **2.6.1 Time and Place for Submission of Responses**

Suppliers interested in providing a response should deliver it in accordance with section 2.5 to the attention of the Contracting Authority by 10 May 2024 at 2:00pm EDT, to the address indicated in section 2.7.

#### **2.6.2 Responsibility for Timely Delivery**

Each respondent is solely responsible for ensuring its response is delivered on time to the correct location.

#### **2.7 Enquiries**

Because this is not a bid solicitation, Canada will not necessarily respond to enquiries in writing or by circulating answers to all potential suppliers. However, respondents with questions regarding this RFI may direct their enquiries to:

Contracting Authority: Kevin Corcoran  
Email: [Kevin.Corcoran@international.gc.ca](mailto:Kevin.Corcoran@international.gc.ca)  
Telephone: 343-542-8477