

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) (Goods)

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME SIERRA LEONE REFERENCE: SLE/RFQ/2017/034

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for **Procurement of ICT Equipment**, as detailed in Annex 1 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 2.

Quotations may be submitted on or before Close of Business (5:00pm) January 8, 2018 and via (choose appropriate box) $\Box e$ -mail, $\Box courier\ or\ mail$ to the address below:

United Nations Development Programme 55 Wilkinson Road Freetown procure.sle@undp.org

Quotations must be submitted by hand of courier services as indicated above and must reach the UNDP office on or before the deadline. Quotation must be registered by Ms. Patricia Harding, Assistant to the Deputy Country Director (Operations) and deposited in the Tender Box located at the entrance of the UNDP Building, Ground Floor in the presence of the bidder or representative. Quotation delivered elsewhere than the specified place and followed explained procedure shall be disqualified.

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation will reach the address above on or before the deadline. As mentioned, quotations that submitted to UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the Procurement of the ICT Equipment as explained in detail below.

Delivery Terms [INCOTERMS 2010] (Pls. link this to price schedule)	☐FCA ☐CPT ☐CIP ☑DAP ☐Other it is not applicable for locally rendered services			
Exact Address/es of Delivery Location/s (identify all, if multiple)	UNDP, 55 Wilkinson Road, Fr	eetown, Sierra Leone		
UNDP Preferred Freight Forwarder, if any	N/A			
Distribution of shipping documents (if using freight forwarder)	N/A			
Latest Expected Delivery Date and Time (if delivery time exceeds this, quote may be rejected by UNDP)	As per Delivery Sch Time: Close of busin			
Delivery Schedule	⊠Required □Not Required			
Packing Requirements	N/A			
Mode of Transport	□ AIR □SEA	⊠LAND □OTHER		
Preferred Currency of Quotation	☐United States Dolla ☐Local Currency: Sie should be stated in U ☐Euros	rra Leone Leones but the equivalent amount		
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation	-	of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes		
After-sales services required	⊠Warranty on Labo ⊠Technical Support	r for minimum period of 12 months e Unit when pulled out for maintenance/ repair		
Deadline for the Submission of Quotation	COB, Monday, Januar	ry 08, 2018		
All documentations, including catalogs, instructions and operating manuals, shall be in this language	☑ English☐ French☐ Spanish☐ Others			
Documents to be submitted	☐ Technical specifica	ations along with the quotation tes –		

	1. Detailing the quantity, type and cost (total and unit) for the		
	hardware		
	Detailing the installation plan and cost;		
	UNDP reserves the right to award only one of the quotes.		
	Confirmation that licenses of this nature have been obtained in		
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	the past and an expectation of obtaining all the necessary licenses		
	should the quotation be selected;		
	Quality Certificates (ISO, etc.);		
	□ Latest Business Registration Certificate;		
	☐ Latest Internal Revenue Certificate / Tax Clearance;		
	☐ Manufacturer's Authorization of the Company as a Sales Agent (if		
	Supplier is not the manufacturer);		
	Certificate of Exclusive Distributorship in the country (if		
	applicable, and if Supplier is not the manufacturer);		
	Evidence/Certification of Environmental Sustainability ("Green"		
	Standards) of the Company or the Product being supplied;		
	☐ Complete documentation, information and declaration of any		
	goods classified or may be classified as "Dangerous Goods".		
	Patent Registration Certificates (if any of technologies submitted		
	in the quotation is patented by the Supplier);		
	✓ Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security		
	Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN		
	Ineligibility List;		
	Others		
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D : 1 (1/1/27)	☐ 60 days		
Period of Validity of Quotes	☑ 90 days		
starting the Submission Date	☐ 120 days		
	In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to		
	extend the validity of the Quotation beyond what has been initially		
	indicated in this RFQ. The Proposal shall then confirm the extension		
	in writing, without any modification whatsoever on the Quotation.		
Partial Quotes	Not permitted ■ Not permitted Not		
	Permitted		
	☑ 100% upon complete delivery of goods		
Payment Terms	☐ Others		
Liquidated Damages	N/A		
Evaluation Criteria	☐ Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to requirements and		
[check as many as applicable]	lowest price ¹		
[☐ Full acceptance of the PO/Contract General Terms and		
	Conditions [this is a mandatory criteria and cannot be deleted		
	regardless of the nature of services required]		
	☐ Earliest Delivery / Shortest Lead Time ²		
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i .	☐ The Expiring date of the products		

	☑ One and only one supplier
UNDP will award to:	<u> </u>
ONDP Will award to:	One or more Supplier
	☑ Purchase Order
Type of Contract to be Signed	Long-Term Agreement ³ (if LTA will be signed, specify the
	document that will trigger the call-off. E.g., PO, etc.)
	Other Type/s of Contract
	☐ Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery/completion is
Special conditions of Contract	delayed by 10 Working days after the PO is signed
	Others
Conditions for Release of	Passing Inspection
Payment	Complete Installation
•	Passing all Testing
	Completion of Training on Operation and Maintenance
	Written Acceptance of Goods based on full compliance with RFQ
	requirements
	Others
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Annexes to this RFQ	☐ Technical Specification (Annex 1)
	☐ Form for Submission of quotation (Annex 2)
	General Terms and Conditions (Annex 3)
	Non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions
	(GTC) shall be grounds for disqualification from this procurement
	process.
Contact Person for Inquiries	Yonah Samo
(Written inquiries only)4	Procurement Specialist
	Email: yonah.samo@undp.org
	Email: Procure.sle@undp.org
	Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for
	extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that
	such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to
	the Proposers.
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Services offered shall be reviewed based on completeness and compliance of the quotation with the minimum specifications described above and any other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

The quotation that complies with all of the specifications, requirements and offers the best value for money, as well as all other evaluation criteria indicated, shall be selected. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price (obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity) shall be re-computed by UNDP. The unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the supplier does not accept the final price based on UNDP's re-computation and correction of errors, its quotation will be rejected.

At any time during the validity of the quotation, no price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the quotation.

Any Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFQ shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a quotation implies that the vendor accepts the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 4.

UNDP is not bound to accept any quotation, nor award a contract/Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Supplier's preparation and submission of a quotation, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

Please be advised that UNDP's vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal for persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract in a competitive procurement process. In the event that you believe you have not been fairly treated, you can find detailed information about vendor protest procedures in the following link:

http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/protest-andsanctions.html

UNDP encourages every prospective Vendor to avoid and prevent conflicts of interest, by disclosing to UNDP if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, specifications, cost estimates, and other information used in this RFQ.

UNDP implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UNDP, as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. UNDP expects its suppliers to adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct found in this link: http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct_english.pdf

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours,

Daisy Foday Officer in Charge Operations

December 29, 2017

Technical Specifications

Items to be Supplied*	Quantity	Description / Specifications of Goods	Latest Delivery Date	Compliance Yes/No
Switch	8 piece8	24 port switch:		
Wall box	250 pieces	Wall box:		
cables	36 pieces	305 CAT6E cables (roll of 300m):		
Connectors	900 pieces	RJ45 Network connector:		
Hammer Drills	4 pieces	Hammer Grills:		
Drill bits	4 piece	Drill Bits (concrete drill bit sizes – 6 and 8):		
Punch down tool	8 pieces	Punch down tool:		
Cable ties	15 piece	Cable ties (small, medium and large – 50 per pack):		
Cable ties	15 piece	Cable ties (large – pack of 50):		
Crimping tool	4 pieces	Crimping tool with cable stripper and cutter:		
Screw drivers	4 pieces	Knife, cutter, hacksaw blade and screw drivers:		
Network tester	4 pieces	Network tester - Linkmaster		
Trucking	40 pieces	Square raceway trucking conduit (bundle of 10 of 1.6m length of 2 x 1 inch)		
Screws	20 pieces	Screws and flushers (size 8) box of 100		
24 Port panel	18 pieces	24 port panel		

UPS	4 pieces	UPS 15KVA		
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UPS	100	APC UPS Battery:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
battery	pieces	9Ah/12v		
AVR	4 pieces	AVR 30KVA		
Printer	4 pieces	Printer:		
		Print/Scan/Copy/Fax		
		Up to 20ppm Colour Print		
		Up to 20ppm Mono Print		
		• 14.5 seconds First page		
		USB & Network		
		Automatic Double Sided Printing		
		• 600 x 600 dpi Print		
		• 250 Sheet Input Tray		
		• 50 Sheet Multi-Purpose Input Tray		
		• 512MB RAM		
		 Windows & Mac Compatible UFRII-LT, PCL 5c/6 		
projector	4 pieces	Data Projectors: multi and		
projector				
		wireless input, promo cast		
		with remote with a pointer		
	:	and carry bag. • LCD Size: 0.59 inches without		
		MLA		
		Driving method Poly-Silicon TFT Active Matrix		
		Pixel number: 1,024,000 pixels		
		(1280 x 800) x 3 Native resolution: WXGA		
		Aspect ratio: 16:10		
		Pixel arrangement: Cross Stripe Refresh Rate: 50Hz-60Hz		
	<u> </u>	PROJECTION LENS Type Optical	:	
	i i	zoom / Manual focus		
		 F-number: 1.58 - 1.72 Focal length: 16.9mm - 20.28mm 		
		 Zoom ratio: 1.0 ~ 1.2 Optical 		
		 LAMP Type: 200W UHE LIGHT OUTPUT (Brightness) 		
		 Normal Mode: 2,800 Lumens Light 		
		Output 2,800 Lumens Colour Light Output		
		(Colour mode: Dynamic, Zoom:		
		Wide) • Eco Mode: 2,040 Lumens Light		
		Output		
		 2,040 Lumens Colour Light Output (Colour mode: Game, Zoom: Wide) 		
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- BRIGHTNESS UNIFORMITY 90% (Typ.)
- COLOUR REPRODUCTIVITY: Full colour (16.77 million colours)
- VIDEO QUALITY Simple Interlace-Progressive conversion
- SOUND OUTPUT: 1W monaural
- EFFECTIVE SCANNING FREQUENCY RANGE (ANALOG)
- PIXEL CLOCK: 13.5MHz to 162MHz up to UXGA 60Hz
- HORIZONTAL: 15KHz to 92KHz
- VERTICAL: 50Hz to 85Hz
- EFFECTIVE SCANNING FREQUENCY RANGE (DIGITAL)
- PIXEL CLOCK: 13.5MHz to 162MHz up to UXGA 60Hz
- HORIZONTAL: 15KHz to 64KHz
- VERTICAL: 50Hz to 60Hz
- HDMI
- DISPLAY PERFORMANCE: Native 1280 x 800 pixels
- INPUT SIGNAL Version Capabilities Ver 1.3a
- Video Standard 480i / 576i / 480p / 576p / 720p / 1080i / 1080p
- Video Signal: TMDS (TMDS is signal for HDMI)
- Audio Signal Linear PCM
- Input Terminal HDMI x 1
- HDCP Supported
- CONTROL I/O.
- USB I/O I/O Terminal
- I/O Speed Type B x1 (for mouse control)
- USB Type B Ver. 3.0
- MEMORY I/O
- USB I/O I/O Terminal
- I/O Speed: USB Type A x 1(for USB Memory)
- USB Type A Ver. 1.1
- OPERATING TEMPERATURE: 5°C to 35°C (41°F to 95°F) > (20%-80% Humidity)
- COOL-DOWN PERIOD: "Instant off"
- START-UP PERIOD: Approx. 5 seconds (warm up 30 seconds)
- POWER SUPPLY VOLTAGE: 100-240V AC±10% 50/60Hz
- POWER CONSUMPTION 100-240VAC 3.2-1.4A 50/60Hz Lamp
- 280W/265W (Lamp on): 2.6W/3.9W (standby)
- DIMENSION
- EXCLUDE FEET 228(D) x 295(W) x 77(H) mm
- MAXIMUM DIMENSION 228(D) x 295(W) x 79(H) mm
- WEIGHTApprox. 2.3kg

board		extension cord and surge protector:	
Power	75 pieces	Power board with 10m	
		OWNER'S MANUAL CD-ROM	
		AIR FILTER Included	
		PASSWORD PROTECT STICKER Included	
		SOFT CARRYING CASE Included	
		REMOTE CONTROL Included	
		USB CABLE 1.8m, A/B	
		15pin (Male)	
		COMPUTER CABLE 1.8m, D- sub 15pin (Male) - Mini D-sub	
		POWER CORD 1.8m	
		ACCESSORIES	
		NORMAL MODE 37dB	
		ECO MODE 29dB	
		FAN NOISE	

^{*}Pls. attach delivery schedule, if relevant, and cluster by lot, if partial bids will be allowed. Specify delivery locations if goods multiple destinations.

Daisy Foday
Officer in Charge Operations

December 29, 2018

FORM FOR SUBMITTING SUPPLIER'S QUOTATION⁵

(This Form must be submitted only using the Supplier's Official Letterhead/Stationery⁶)

We, the undersigned, hereby accept in full the UNDP General Terms and Conditions, and
hereby offer to supply the items listed below in conformity with the specification and requirements
of UNDP as per RFQ Reference No:

TABLE 1: Offer to Supply Goods Compliant with Technical Specifications and Requirements

Item No.	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity	Latest Delivery Date	Unit Price	Total Price per Item
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	Total Prices of Goods ⁷				
	Add : Cost of Transportation				
	Add : Cost of Insurance				<u></u>
	Add: Other Charges (pls. specify)				
	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quota	ntion			

⁵ This serves as a guide to the Supplier in preparing the quotation and price schedule.

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⁶ Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

⁷ Pricing of goods should be consistent with the INCO Terms indicated in the RFQ

TABLE 2: Offer to Comply with Other Conditions and Related Requirements

Other Information pertaining to our	Your Responses				
Quotation are as follows:	Yes, we will comply	No, we cannot comply	If you cannot comply, pls. indicate counter proposal		
Delivery Lead Time					
Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the Consignment:					
Country/ies Of Origin ⁸ :					
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements			<u> </u>		
a) Training on Operations and Maintenance			1 to the control of the contr		
b) Minimum one (1) year warranty on both parts and labor			3-1-13-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-		
 c) Service Unit to be Provided when the Purchased Unit is Under Repair 					
d) Brand new replacement if Purchased Unit is beyond repair					
e) Others					
Validity of Quotation					
All Provisions of the UNDP General Terms and Conditions					
Other requirements [pls. specify]					

All other information that we have not provided automatically implies our full compliance with the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFQ.

[Name and Signature of the Supplier's Authorized Person]
[Designation]
[Date]

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⁸ If the country of origin requires Export License for the goods being procured, or other relevant documents that the country of destination may require, the supplier must submit them to UNDP if awarded the PO/contract.

General Terms and Conditions

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PURCHASE ORDER

This Purchase Order may only be accepted by the Supplier's signing and returning an acknowledgement copy of it or by timely delivery of the goods in accordance with the terms of this Purchase Order, as herein specified. Acceptance of this Purchase Order shall effect a contract between the Parties under which the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be governed solely by the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including these General Conditions. No additional or inconsistent provisions proposed by the Supplier shall bind UNDP unless agreed to in writing by a duly authorized official of UNDP.

2. PAYMENT

- 2.1 UNDP shall, on fulfillment of the Delivery Terms, unless otherwise provided in this Purchase Order, make payment within 30 days of receipt of the Supplier's invoice for the goods and copies of the shipping documents specified in this Purchase Order.
- 2.2 Payment against the invoice referred to above will reflect any discount shown under the payment terms of this Purchase Order, provided payment is made within the period required by such payment terms.
- 2.3 Unless authorized by UNDP, the Supplier shall submit one invoice in respect of this Purchase Order, and such invoice must indicate the Purchase Order's identification number.
- 2.4 The prices shown in this Purchase Order may not be increased except by express written agreement of UNDP.

3. TAX EXEMPTION

- 3.1 Section 7 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations provides, inter alia, that the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs, is exempt from all direct taxes, except charges for utilities services, and is exempt from customs duties and charges of a similar nature in respect of articles imported or exported for its official use. In the event any governmental authority refuses to recognize UNDP's exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Supplier shall immediately consult with UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.
 - 3.2 Accordingly, the Supplier authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Supplier's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Supplier has consulted with UNDP before the payment thereof and UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Supplier to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Supplier shall provide UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

4. RISK OF LOSS

Risk of loss, damage to or destruction of the goods shall be governed in accordance with Incoterms 2010, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties on the front side of this Purchase Order.

5. EXPORT LICENCES

Notwithstanding any INCOTERM 2010 used in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall obtain any export licences required for the goods.

6. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

The Supplier warrants that the goods, including packaging, conform to the specifications for the goods ordered under this Purchase Order and are fit for the purposes for which such goods are ordinarily used and for purposes

expressly made known to the Supplier by UNDP, and are free from defects in workmanship and materials. The Supplier also warrants that the goods are contained or packaged adequately to protect the goods.

7. INSPECTION

- 7.1 UNDP shall have a reasonable time after delivery of the goods to inspect them and to reject and refuse acceptance of goods not conforming to this Purchase Order; payment for goods pursuant to this Purchase Order shall not be deemed an acceptance of the goods.
- 7.2 Inspection prior to shipment does not relieve the Supplier from any of its contractual obligations.

8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

The Supplier warrants that the use or supply by UNDP of the goods sold under this Purchase Order does not infringe any patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark. In addition, the Supplier shall, pursuant to this warranty, indemnify, defend and hold UNDP and the United Nations harmless from any actions or claims brought against UNDP or the United Nations pertaining to the alleged infringement of a patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark arising in connection with the goods sold under this Purchase Order.

9. RIGHTS OF UNDP

In case of failure by the Supplier to fulfil its obligations under the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including but not limited to failure to obtain necessary export licences, or to make delivery of all or part of the goods by the agreed delivery date or dates, UNDP may, after giving the Supplier reasonable notice to perform and without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- 9.1 Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNDP may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- 9.2 Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.
- 9.3 Cancel this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

10. LATE DELIVERY

Without limiting any other rights or obligations of the parties hereunder, if the Supplier will be unable to deliver the goods by the delivery date(s) stipulated in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall (i) immediately consult with UNDP to determine the most expeditious means for delivering the goods and (ii) use an expedited means of delivery, at the Supplier's cost (unless the delay is due to <u>Force Majeure</u>), if reasonably so requested by UNDP.

11. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

- 11.1. The Supplier shall not, except after obtaining the written consent of UNDP, assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of this Purchase Order, or any part thereof, or any of the Supplier's rights or obligations under this Purchase Order.
- 11.2. Should the Supplier become insolvent or should control of the Supplier change by virtue of insolvency, UNDP may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, immediately terminate this Purchase Order by giving the Supplier written notice of termination.

12. USE OF UNDP OR UNITED NATIONS NAME OR EMBLEM

The Supplier shall not use the name, emblem or official seal of UNDP or the United Nations for any purpose.

13. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

The Supplier shall not advertise or otherwise make public that it is furnishing goods or services to UNDP without specific permission of UNDP in each instance.



14. CHILD LABOUR

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is engaged in any practice inconsistent with the rights set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, including Article 32 thereof, which, inter alia, requires that a child shall be protected from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

15. MINES

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is actively and directly engaged in patent activities, development, assembly, production, trade or manufacture of mines or in such activities in respect of components primarily utilized in the manufacture of Mines. The term "Mines" means those devices defined in Article 2, Paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Protocol II annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects of 1980.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

16. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

- 16.1 Amicable Settlement. The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof. Where the Parties wish to seek such an amicable settlement through conciliation, the conciliation shall take place in accordance with the UNCITRAL Conciliation Rules then obtaining, or according to such other procedure as may be agreed between the Parties.
- 16.2 Arbitration. Unless, any such dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof is settled amicably under the preceding paragraph of this Section within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement, such dispute, controversy or claim shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining, including its provisions on applicable law. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such controversy, claim or dispute.

17. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or related to these General Terms and Conditions or this Purchase Order shall be deemed a waiver of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

18. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:

18.1 The Contractor shall take all appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse of anyone by it or by any of its employees or any other persons who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract. For these purposes, sexual activity with any person less than eighteen years of age, regardless of any laws relating to consent, shall constitute the sexual exploitation and

abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor shall refrain from, and shall take all appropriate measures to prohibit its employees or other persons engaged by it from, exchanging any money, goods, services, offers of employment or other things of value, for sexual favors or activities, or from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitive or degrading to any person. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the provisions hereof constitute an essential term of the Contract and that any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate the Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind.

18.2 UNDP shall not apply the foregoing standard relating to age in any case in which the Contractor's personnel or any other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract is married to the person less than the age of eighteen years with whom sexual activity has occurred and in which such marriage is recognized as valid under the laws of the country of citizenship of such Contractor's personnel or such other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract.

19.0 OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:

The Contractor warrants that no official of UNDP or the United Nations has received or will be offered by the Contractor any direct or indirect benefit arising from this Contract or the award thereof. The Contractor agrees that breach of this provision is a breach of an essential term of this Contract.

20. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possess the authority to agree on behalf of UNDP to any modification of or change in this Agreement, to a waiver of any of its provisions or to any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor. Accordingly, no modification or change in this Contract shall be valid and enforceable against UNDP unless provided by an amendment to this Agreement signed by the Contractor and jointly by the UNDP Authorized Official.

