

# REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) (Supply and Delivery ICT equipment to the ERRY project)

DATE: October 21, 2019

REFERENCE: RFQ-YEM-0054-2019

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for <u>ICT equipment for the ERRY project</u>, as detailed in Annex 2 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 1.

Documents uploaded in the system as part of your quotation must be free from any form of virus or corrupted contents, or the quotations shall be rejected.

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation is submitted on or before the deadline indicated by UNDP in the eTendering system. Bids must be submitted in the online eTendering system in the following link: <a href="https://etendering.partneragencies.org">https://etendering.partneragencies.org</a> using your username and password. If you have not registered in the system before, you can register now by logging in using

username: event.guest password: why2change

and follow the registration steps as specified in the system user guide.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the supply of the abovementioned good/s:

Delivery Terms [INCOTERMS 2010] (Pls. link this to price schedule)	X DDP: Delivery to UNDP Sana'a Office 60 Road Street, next to Ministry of Human Rights Sana'a, Yemen
Customs clearance, if needed, shall be done by:	X Supplier
Exact Address/es of Delivery Location/s (identify all, if multiple)	X Delivery to UNDP Sana'a Office 60 Road Street, next to Ministry of Human Rights Sana'a, Yemen
UNDP Preferred Freight Forwarder, if any	N/A. Up to the supplier
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)	X 12 weeks from receipt of approved purchase order
Delivery Schedule	X Required
Packing Requirements	X Up to the supplier, the tempered or damaged items or any part will be rejected
Mode of Transport	X Up to the supplier, timely delivery is mandatory despite selection of the mode
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation	X Must be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes

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After-sales services required	X Warranty Period Refer to the detail specs
	X Technical support for maintenance and repair, e.g. availability of
	repair store;
	X Availability of the spare parts locally
	X After sales services
Deadline for the Submission	X For exact date and time Please always adhere to E-tendering
of Quotation	website. https://etendering.partneragencies.org
All documentations, including	X English
catalogs, instructions and	
operating manuals, shall be	
in this language	
	X Company profile with previous minimum 5 years of experience in
Documents to be submitted <sup>1</sup>	supplying ICT equipment.
	X Certificate of an authorized Agent for the proposed required ICT
	items in Yemen;
	X Duly Accomplished Form as provided in Annex 2 and detail specs,
	and in accordance with the list of requirements in Annex 1;
	X Company profile not exceeding fifteen (15) pages, including; List
	of pervious projects.
	X Quality Certificates (ISO, etc.) (if applicable);
	X Latest Business Registration Certificate;
	X Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security
	Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN
	Ineligibility List;
	X Cataglouge clearly specifying the detailed specificaiton of the
	proposed ICT ítems mentioned in the Annex;
	X After sale services;
	X Original form of Bid Security in an amout of USD5,000 in the form of
	Bank Garantee from a reputable bank; The bid security to be hand
	delivered to UNDP office in Sana'a
	X 60 days

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> First 2 items in this list are mandatory for the supply of imported goods

Period of Validity of Quotes	In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to		
starting the Submission Date	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	X Permitted		
Payment Terms	X 100% upon complete delivery of goods and service.		
	X 0.5% penalty of the PO value for each day of delay, Up to a		
Liquidated Damages	maximum of 10% of the total contract amount. Thereafter, the		
	UNDP reserves the right to cancel the PO or to terminate the		
	contract.		
	X Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to requirements and		
Evaluation Criteria	lowest price		
[check as many as applicable]	X 5 years' experience		
	X Catalogue and photos for the required items detailing the		
	specification.		
	X Duly an authorized Agent in Yemen		
	X Comprehensiveness of after-sales services		
	X 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]		
UNDP will award to:	X One Supplier or more		
Type of Contract to be Signed	X Purchase Order with PO conditions and General Terms and		
	Conditions for Goods		
	X Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery is delayed by 30 days		
Special conditions of Contract	beyond the agreed delivery due date		
	X Passing Inspection and final technical report.		
Conditions for Release of	X Written Acceptance of ICT items based on full compliance with		
Payment	RFQ requirements.		
	X Original Invoice		

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	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.

Goods 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 lowest price, 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. The system automatically calculates the final bid prices by multiplying the unit price by the quantity. In the event when the Bidder put a quantity that is different from the quantity required, provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, UNDP will re-calculate the Bidders total price based on the correct quantity and using the unit prices offered by the Bidder. Unit prices cannot be changed.

After UNDP has identified the lowest price offer, UNDP reserves the right to award the contract based only on the prices of the goods in the event that the transportation cost (freight and insurance) is found to be higher than UNDP's own estimated cost if sourced from its own freight forwarder and insurance provider.

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. At the time of award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This contact person and address is officially designated by UNDP. If inquiries are sent to other person/s or address/es, even if they are UNDP staff, UNDP shall have no obligation to respond nor can UNDP confirm that the query was received.

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 without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 3.

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: <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/protestandsanctions/">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/protestandsanctions/</a>

**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: <a href="http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct\_english.pdf">http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct\_english.pdf</a>

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours,

Samira Al-Farah Procurement Analyst October 21, 2019

Samira Al Farali

# Annex 1

# **Specification**

Lot 1
Tower Workstation

	Required specs	Vendor Specs	Qty.
Model	Precision 3630 Tower Workstation or equivalent		
Processer	Intel Core i7-8700K, 6 Core, 12MB Cache, 3.7GHz, 4.7Ghz Turbo w/ UHD Graphics 630		
Chassis Options	Precision 3630 Tower with 300W up to 90% efficient PSU (80Plus Gold) no SD card reader		
Graphics Card	Radeon Pro WX 4100, 4GB, 4 MDP to DP adapter		
RAM: Memory	16GB 2x8GB DDR4 2666MHz UDIMM Non-ECC		
Main HDD	2.5" 512GB SATA Class 20 Solid State Drive		24
2nd HDD	2.5 inch 1TB 7200rpm SATA Hard Disk Drive		
Operating System	Windows 10 Pro 64bit English, Arabic		
Drive	DVD +/- RW		
Keyboard	Dell Multimedia English Keyboard - KB216		
Mouse	Dell MS116 Wired Mouse		
Network Card	Integrated NIC included		
Wireless	Qualcomm® QCA9377 Dual-band 1x1 802.11ac Wireless with MU-MIMO + Bluetooth 4.1		

ENERGY STAR	ENERGY STAR Qualified	
Optimizer	Dell Precision Optimizer	
Dust		
Protection	Dust filter for Tower	
UPS	Online Smart UPS(1000VA)	24
Monitor	21" LED Full HD	24
Warranty	1 Year	

# Lot 2 Printers

Name specs. Specs.		Vendor Specs	Qty
Model	Heavy Duty all in one black and white printer		
Speed Black &White only	25 ppm		
Paper Size	A5 upto A3		
Print memory	1.5 GB		
<b>Duty Cycle</b>	Up to 50,000 images /month		
Paper Capacity	Tray 1(Bypass tray): 100 sheets Tray (Paper tray): 250 sheets		
Connectivity Ethernet 10/100Base-T, High-speed USB 2.0			5
Resolution	Copy and scan: 600 x 600 dpi Print: 1200 x 1200 dpi		
Scan destinations scan file formats	colour & black and white, Scan to Email, Scan to Network (FTP or Browse SMB), Scan to USB JPG, PDF (single and multi-page), TIFF (single and multi-page)		
Warranty	1 year with anytime support		

# LOT 3

# Cameras

Name specs. Specs.		Vendor Specs	Qty
Model Nikon Professional Cameras D500 or equivalent			
Lens and Accessories	Lens for the Nikon D500 or equivalent		5
Warranty 1 year with anytime support			

Annex2

### FORM FOR SUBMITTING SUPPLIER'S QUOTATION<sup>3</sup>

(This Form must be submitted only using the Supplier's Official Letterhead/Stationery<sup>4</sup>)

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. **RFQ-YEM-0054-2019 Supply and Delivery ICT equipment).** 

<u>TABLE 1: Offer to Supply Goods (Tower workstation) Compliant with Technical Specifications and</u>
Requirements

	2		Latest		
Item	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity	Delivery	Unit Price	Total Price
No.			Date		per Item
1	<u>Tower Workstation</u>	24			
2	UPS "Online Smart UPS(1000VA)	24			
3	Monitor 21" LED Full HD	24			
	Total Prices of Goods <sup>5</sup>				
	Add : Cost of Transportation				
	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quotation				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This serves as a guide to the Supplier in preparing the quotation and price schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Pricing of goods should be consistent with the INCO Terms indicated in the RFQ

TABLE 1 : Offer for Tower workstation 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	12 weeks			
Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the Consignment:				
Country/ies Of Origin <sup>6</sup> :				
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements				
a) Training on Operations and Maintenance	N/A			
b) 1-year warranty				
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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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 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.

TABLE 2: Offer to Supply Goods (printers ) Compliant with Technical Specifications and Requirements

Item No.	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity	Latest Delivery Date	Unit Price	Total Price per Item
1	<u>Printers</u>	5			
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	Total Prices of Goods <sup>7</sup>				
	Add : Cost of Transportation				
	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quotation				

TABLE 2 : Offer for Printers 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	12 weeks			
Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the Consignment:				
Country/ies Of Origin8:				
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements				
a) Training on Operations and Maintenance	N/A			
b) 1-year warranty				
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				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Pricing of goods should be consistent with the INCO Terms indicated in the RFQ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 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.

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]

TABLE 3: Offer to Supply Goods (Cameras) Compliant with Technical Specifications and Requirements

Item No.	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity	Latest Delivery Date	Unit Price	Total Price per Item	
1	<u>Cameras</u>	5				
	Total Prices of Goods <sup>9</sup>					
	Add : Cost of Transportation					
	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quotation					

TABLE 3: Offer for Cameras 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	12 weeks			
Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the Consignment:				
Country/ies Of Origin <sup>10</sup> :				
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements				
a) After sales services	N/A			
b) 1-year warranty				
<ul> <li>c) Service Unit to be Provided when the Purchased Unit is Under Repair</li> </ul>				
d) Brand new replacement if Purchased Unit is beyond repair				
e) Others				
Validity of Quotation				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Pricing of goods should be consistent with the INCO Terms indicated in the RFQ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 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.

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]

#### Annex 3

#### **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.