INVITATION TO BID

ITB-YEM-UN1-2014
Car Rental for UN agencies



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Section 1. Letter of Invitation

Sana'a November 19, 2014

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Car Rental for UN Agencies Lot 1: Sana'a Lot 2: Rest of the Country Lot 3: Armored Vehicles

Dear Mr./Ms.:

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) hereby invites you to submit a Bid to this Invitation to Bid (ITB) for the above-referenced subject.

This ITB includes the following documents:

Section 1 – This Letter of Invitation

Section 2 – Instructions to Bidders (including Data Sheet)

Section 3 – Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications

Section 4 – Bid Submission Form

Section 5 – Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder

Section 6 - Technical Bid Form

Section 7 - Price Schedule Form

Section 8 – Form for Bid Security [NOT APPLICABLE]

Section 9 – Form for Performance Security [NOT APPLICABLE]

Section 10 – Form for Advanced Payment Guarrantee [NOT APPLICABLE]

Section 11 – Contract to be Signed, including General Terms and Conditions

Your offer, comprising of a Technical Bid and Price Schedule, together in a sealed envelope, should be submitted in accordance with Section 2.

You are kindly requested to submit an acknowledgment letter to UNDP to the following address:

United Nations Development Programme
16st near the Ministry of Human Right, Sana'a , Yemen
Attention: Samira Al Farah

Samira.alfarah@undp.org

The letter should be received by UNDP no later than December 03, 2014, 16:00 hours local time. The same letter should advise whether your company intends to submit a Bid. If that is not the case, UNDP would appreciate your indicating the reason, for our records.

If you have received this ITB through a direct invitation by UNDP, transferring this invitation to another firm requires notifying UNDP accordingly.

Should you require any clarification, kindly communicate with the contact person identified in the attached Data Sheet as the focal point for queries on this ITB.

UNDP looks forward to receiving your Bid and thanks you in advance for your interest in UNDP procurement opportunities.

Sincerely Yours

Samira Al Farah

Procurement head of unit

Section 2: Instruction to Bidders¹

Definitions

- a) "Bid" refers to the Bidder's response to the Invitation to Bid, including the Bid Submission Form, Technical Bid and Price Schedule and all other documentation attached thereto as required by the ITB.
- b) "Bidder" refers to any legal entity that may submit, or has submitted, a Bid for the supply of goods and provision of related services requested by UNDP.
- c) "Contract" refers to the legal instrument that will be signed by and between the UNDP and the successful Bidder, all the attached documents thereto, including the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) and the Appendices.
- d) "Country" refers to the country indicated in the Data Sheet.
- e) "Data Sheet" refers to such part of the Instructions to Bidders used to reflect conditions of the tendering process that are specific for the requirements of the ITB.
- f) "Day" refers to calendar day.
- g) "Goods" refer to any tangible product, commodity, article, material, wares, equipment, assets or merchandise that UNDP requires under this ITB.
- h) "Government" refers to the Government of the country where the goods and related services provided/rendered specified under the Contract will be delivered or undertaken.
- i) "Instructions to Bidders" refers to the complete set of documents which provides Bidders with all information needed and procedures to be followed in the course of preparing their Bid
- j) "ITB" refers to the Invitation to Bid consisting of instructions and references prepared by UNDP for purposes of selecting the best Service Provider or service provider to fulfil the requirement indicated in the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications.
- k) "LOI" (Section 1 of the ITB) refers to the Letter of Invitation sent by UNDP to Bidders.
- "Material Deviation" refers to any contents or characteristics of the bid that is significantly different from an essential aspect or requirement of the ITB, and (i) substantially alters the scope and quality of the requirements; (ii) limits the rights of UNDP and/or the obligations of the offeror; and (iii) adversely impacts the fairness and principles of the procurement process, such as those that compromise the competitive position of other offerors.

¹ Note: this Section 2 - Instructions to Bidders shall not be modified in any way. <u>Any necessary changes to address specific country and project information shall be introduced only through the Data Sheet.</u>

- m) "Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications" refers to the document included in this ITB as Section 3 which lists the goods required by UNDP, their specifications, the related services, activities, tasks to be performed, and other information pertinent to UNDP's receipt and acceptance of the goods.
- n) "Services" refers to the entire scope of tasks related or ancillary to the completion or delivery of the goods required by UNDP under the ITB.
- o) "Supplemental Information to the ITB" refers to a written communication issued by UNDP to prospective Bidders containing clarifications, responses to queries received from prospective Bidders, or changes to be made in the ITB, at any time after the release of the ITB but before the deadline for the submission of Bid.

A. GENERAL

- 1. UNDP hereby solicits Bids as a response to this Invitation to Bid (ITB). Bidders must strictly adhere to all the requirements of this ITB. No changes, substitutions or other alterations to the rules and provisions stipulated in this ITB may be made or assumed unless it is instructed or approved in writing by UNDP in the form of Supplemental Information to the ITB.
- 2. Submission of a Bid shall be deemed as an acknowledgement by the Bidder that all obligations stipulated by this ITB will be met and, unless specified otherwise, the Bidder has read, understood and agreed to all the instructions in this ITB.
- 3. Any Bid submitted will be regarded as an offer by the Bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of any Bid by UNDP. UNDP is under no obligation to award a contract to any Bidder as a result of this ITB.
- 4. UNDP implements a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical practices, and obstruction. UNDP is committed to preventing, identifying and addressing all acts of fraud and corrupt practices against UNDP as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. (See
 - http://www.undp.org/about/transparencydocs/UNDP Anti Fraud Policy English FINAL june 2011.pdf and
 - http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/procurement_protest/for full description of the policies)
- 5. In responding to this ITB, UNDP requires all Bidders to conduct themselves in a professional, objective and impartial manner, and they must at all times hold UNDP's interests paramount. Bidders must strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own interests, and act without consideration for future work. All Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Without limitation on the generality of the above, Bidders, and any of their affiliates, shall be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this solicitation process, if they:

- 5.1 Are, or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged UNDP to provide services for the preparation of the design, Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications, cost analysis/estimation, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods and related services in this selection process;
- 5.2 Were involved in the preparation and/or design of the programme/project related to the goods and related services requested under this ITB; or
- 5.3 Are found to be in conflict for any other reason, as may be established by, or at the discretion of, UNDP.

In the event of any uncertainty in the interpretation of what is potentially a conflict of interest, Bidders must disclose the condition to UNDP and seek UNDP's confirmation on whether or not such conflict exists.

- 6. Similarly, the following must be disclosed in the Bid:
 - 6.1 Bidders who are owners, part-owners, officers, directors, controlling shareholders, or key personnel who are family of UNDP staff involved in the procurement functions and/or the Government of the country or any Implementing Partner receiving the goods and related services under this ITB; and
 - 6.4 Others that could potentially lead to actual or perceived conflict of interest, collusion or unfair competition practices.

Failure of such disclosure may result in the rejection of the Bid.

- 7. The eligibility of Bidders that are wholly or partly owned by the Government shall be subject to UNDP's further evaluation and review of various factors such as being registered as an independent entity, the extent of Government ownership/share, receipt of subsidies, mandate, access to information in relation to this ITB, and others that may lead to undue advantage against other Bidders, and the eventual rejection of the Bid.
- 8. All Bidders must adhere to the UNDP Service Provider Code of Conduct, which may be found at this link: http://web.ng.undp.org/procurement/undp-Service Provider-code-of-conduct.pdf

B. CONTENTS OF BID

9. Sections of Bid

Bidders are required to complete, sign and submit the following documents:

- 9.1 Bid Submission Cover Letter Form (see ITB Section 4);
- 9.2 Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder (see ITB Section 5);
- 9.3 Technical Bid (see prescribed form in ITB Section 6);
- 9.4 Price Schedule (see prescribed form in ITB Section 7);
- 9.5 Bid Security, if applicable (if required and as stated in the DS nos. 9-11, see prescribed Form

in ITB Section 8);

9.6 Any attachments and/or appendices to the Bid (including all those specified under the **Data Sheet**)

10. Clarification of Bid

- 10.1 Bidders may request clarification of any of the ITB documents no later than the number of days indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 16) prior to the Bid submission date. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing via courier or through electronic means to the UNDP address indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 17). UNDP will respond in writing, transmitted by electronic means and will transmit copies of the response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) to all Bidders who have provided confirmation of their intention to submit a Bid.
- 10.2 UNDP shall endeavor to provide such responses to clarifications in an expeditious manner, but any delay in such response shall not cause an obligation on the part of UNDP to extend the submission date of the Bid, unless UNDP deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.

11. Amendment of Bid

- At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Bid, UNDP may for any reason, such as in response to a clarification requested by a Bidder, modify the ITB in the form of a Supplemental Information to the ITB. All prospective Bidders will be notified in writing of all changes/amendments and additional instructions through Supplemental Information to the ITB and through the method specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 18).
- 11.2 In order to afford prospective Bidders reasonable time to consider the amendments in preparing their Bid, UNDP may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of Bid, if the nature of the amendment to the ITB justifies such an extension.

C. PREPARATION OF BID

12. Cost

The Bidder shall bear any and all costs related to the preparation and/or submission of the Bid, regardless of whether its Bid was selected or not. UNDP shall in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.

13. Language

The Bid, as well as any and all related correspondence exchanged by the Bidder and UNDP, shall be written in the language (s) specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 4). Any printed literature furnished by the Bidder written in a language other than the language indicated in the **Data Sheet**, must be accompanied by a translation in the preferred language indicated in the **Data Sheet**. For purposes of interpretation of the Bid, and in the event of discrepancy or inconsistency in meaning, the version translated into the preferred language shall govern. Upon

conclusion of a contract, the language of the contract shall govern the relationship between the contractor and UNDP.

14. Bid Submission Form

The Bidder shall submit the Bid Submission Form using the form provided in Section 4 of this ITR

15. Technical Bid Format and Content

Unless otherwise stated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 28), the Bidder shall structure the Technical Bid as follows:

- 15.1 Expertise of Firm/Organization this section should provide details regarding management structure of the organization, organizational capability/resources, and experience of organization/firm, the list of projects/contracts (both completed and ongoing, both domestic and international) which are related or similar in nature to the requirements of the ITB, manufacturing capacity of plant if Bidder is a manufacturer, authorization from the manufacturer of the goods if Bidder is not a manufacturer, and proof of financial stability and adequacy of resources to complete the delivery of goods and provision of related services required by the ITB (see ITB Clause 18 and DS No. 26 for further details). The same shall apply to any other entity participating in the ITB as a Joint Venture or Consortium.
- 15.2 Technical Specifications and Implementation Plan this section should demonstrate the Bidder's response to the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications by identifying the specific components proposed; how each of the requirements shall be met point by point; providing a detailed specification and description of the goods required, plans and drawings where needed; the essential performance characteristics, identifying the works/portions of the work that will be subcontracted; a list of the major subcontractors, and demonstrating how the bid meets or exceeds the requirements, while ensuring appropriateness of the bid to the local conditions and the rest of the project operating environment during the entire life of the goods provided. Details of technical bid must be laid out and supported by an Implementation Timetable, including Transportation and Delivery Schedule where needed, that is within the duration of the contract as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS noS. 29 and 30).

Bidders must be fully aware that the goods and related services that UNDP require may be transferred, immediately or eventually, by UNDP to the Government partners, or to an entity nominated by the latter, in accordance with UNDP's policies and procedures. All bidders are therefore required to submit the following in their bids:

- a) A statement of whether any import or export licences are required in respect of the goods to be purchased or services to be rendered, including any restrictions in the country of origin, use or dual use nature of the goods or services, including any disposition to end users;
- b) Confirmation that the Bidder has obtained license of this nature in the past, and have an expectation of obtaining all the necessary licenses, should their bid be

- rendered the most responsive; and
- c) Complete documentation, information and declaration of any goods classified or may be classified as "Dangerous Goods".
- 15.3 Management Structure and Key Personnel This section should include the comprehensive curriculum vitae (CVs) of key personnel that will be assigned to support the implementation of the technical bid, clearly defining their roles and responsibilities. CVs should establish competence and demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the requirements of this ITB.

In complying with this section, the Bidder assures and confirms to UNDP that the personnel being nominated are available to fulfil the demands of the Contract during its stated full term. If any of the key personnel later becomes unavailable, except for unavoidable reasons such as death or medical incapacity, among other possibilities, UNDP reserves the right to render the Bid non-responsive. Any deliberate substitution of personnel arising from unavoidable reasons, including delay in the implementation of the project of programme through no fault of the Bidder, shall be made only with UNDP's acceptance of the justification for substitution, and UNDP's approval of the qualification of the replacement who shall be either of equal or superior credentials as the one being replaced.

- 15.4 Where the **Data Sheet** requires the submission of the Bid Security, the Bid Security shall be included along with the Technical Bid. The Bid Security may be forfeited by UNDP, and reject the Bid, in the event of any or any combination of the following conditions:
 - a) If the Bidder withdraws its offer during the period of the Bid Validity specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 11), or;
 - b) If the Bid Security amount is found to be less than what is required by UNDP as indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 9), or;
 - c) In the case the successful Bidder fails:
 - i. to sign the Contract after UNDP has awarded it;
 - ii. to comply with UNDP's variation of requirement, as per ITB Clause 35; or
 - iii. to furnish Performance Security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition to rendering effective the contract that may be awarded to the Bidder.

16. Price Schedule

The Price Schedule shall be prepared using the attached standard form (Section 7). It shall list all major cost components associated with the goods and related services, and the detailed breakdown of such costs. All goods and services described in the Technical Bid must be priced separately on a one-to-one correspondence. Any output and activities described in the Technical Bid but not priced in the Price Schedule, shall be assumed to be included in the prices of the items or activities, as well as in the final total price of the bid.

17. Currencies

All prices shall be quoted in the currency indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 15). However, where Bids are quoted in different currencies, for the purposes of comparison of all Bid:

- 17.1 UNDP will convert the currency quoted in the Bid into the UNDP preferred currency, in accordance with the prevailing UN operational rate of exchange on the last day of submission of Bid; and
- 17.2 In the event that the Bid found to be the most responsive to the ITB requirement is quoted in another currency different from the preferred currency as per **Data Sheet** (DS no. 15), then UNDP shall reserve the right to award the contract in the currency of UNDP's preference, using the conversion method specified above.

18. Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder

- 18.1 The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified vendor, using the forms provided under Section 5, Bidder Information Forms. In order to award a contract to a Bidder, its qualifications must be documented to UNDP's satisfactions. These include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a) That, in the case of a Bidder offering to supply goods under the Contract which the Bidder did not manufacture or otherwise produce, the Bidder has been duly authorized by the goods' manufacturer or producer to supply the goods in the country of final destination;
 - b) That the Bidder has the financial, technical, and production capability necessary to perform the Contract; and
 - c) That, to the best of the Bidder's knowledge, it is not included in the UN 1267 List or the UN Ineligibility List, nor in any and all of UNDP's list of suspended and removed vendors.
- 18.2 Bids submitted by two (2) or more Bidders shall all be rejected by UNDP if they are found to have <u>any</u> of the following:
 - a) they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common; or
 - b) any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from the other/s; or
 - c) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this ITB; or
 - d) they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about, or influence on the Bid of, another Bidder regarding this ITB process;
 - e) they are subcontractors to each other's bid, or a subcontractor to one bid also submits another Bid under its name as lead Bidder; or
 - f) an expert proposed to be in the bid of one Bidder participates in more than one Bid received for this ITB process. This condition does not apply to subcontractors being included in more than one Bid.

19. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association

If the Bidder is a group of legal entities that will form or have formed a joint venture, consortium or association at the time of the submission of the Bid, they shall confirm in their Bid that: (i) they have designated one party to act as a lead entity, duly vested with authority to legally bind the members of the joint venture jointly and severally, and this shall be duly evidenced by a duly notarized Agreement among the legal entities, which shall be submitted along with the Bid; and (ii) if they are awarded the contract, the contract shall be entered into, by and between UNDP and the designated lead entity, who shall be acting for and on behalf of all entities that comprise the joint venture.

After the bid has been submitted to UNDP, the lead entity identified to represent the joint venture shall not be altered without the prior written consent of UNDP. Furthermore, neither the lead entity nor the member entities of the joint venture can:

- a) Submit another Bid, either in its own capacity; nor
- b) As a lead entity or a member entity for another joint venture submitting another Bid.

The description of the organization of the joint venture/consortium/association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entity in the joint venture in delivering the requirements of the ITB, both in the bid and in the Joint Venture Agreement. All entities that comprise the joint venture shall be subject to the eligibility and qualification assessment by UNDP.

Where a joint venture is presenting its track record and experience in a similar undertaking as those required in the ITB, it should present such information in the following manner:

- a) Those that were undertaken together by the joint venture; and
- b) Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the joint venture expected to be involved in the performance of the services defined in the ITB.

Previous contracts completed by individual experts working privately but who are permanently or were temporarily associated with any of the member firms cannot be claimed as the experience of the joint venture or those of its members, but should only be claimed by the individual experts themselves in their presentation of their individual credentials.

If the Bid of a joint venture is determined by UNDP as the most responsive Bid that offers the best value for money, UNDP shall award the contract to the joint venture, in the name of its designated lead entity, who shall sign the contract for and on behalf of all the member entities.

20. Alternative Bid

Unless otherwise specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 5 and 6), alternative bid shall not be considered. Where the conditions for its acceptance are met, or justifications are clearly established, UNDP reserves the right to award a contract based on an alternative bid.

21. Validity Period

21.1 Bid shall remain valid for the period specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 8), commencing on the submission deadline date also indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 21). A Bid valid for a shorter period shall be immediately rejected by UNDP and rendered non-responsive.

21.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the Bid validity period, UNDP may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Bid. The request and the responses shall be made in writing, and shall be considered integral to the Bid.

22. Bidder's Conference

When appropriate, a Bidder's conference will be conducted at the date, time and location specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 7). All Bidders are encouraged to attend. Non-attendance, however, shall <u>not</u> result in disqualification of an interested Bidder. Minutes of the Bidder's conference will be either posted on the UNDP website, or disseminated to the individual firms who have registered or expressed interest with the contract, whether or not they attended the conference. No verbal statement made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of the ITB unless such statement is specifically written in the Minutes of the Conference, or issued/posted as an amendment in the form of a Supplemental Information to the ITB.

D. SUBMISSION AND OPENING OF BID

23. Submission

- 23.1 The Technical Bid and the Price Schedule <u>must</u> be submitted together and sealed together <u>in one and the same envelope</u>, delivered either personally, by courier, or by electronic method of transmission. If submission will not be done by electronic means, the Technical Bid and Price Schedule must be sealed together in an envelope whose external side must:
 - a) Bear the name of the Bidder;
 - b) Be addressed to UNDP as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no.20); and
 - c) Bear a warning not to open before the time and date for Bid opening as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 24).

If the envelope is not sealed nor labeled as required, the Bidder shall assume the responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of Bid due to improper sealing and labeling by the Bidder.

- 23.2 Bidders must submit their Bid in the manner specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 22 and 23). When the Bid is expected to be in transit for more than 24 hours, the Bidder must ensure that sufficient lead time has been provided in order to comply with UNDP's deadline for submission. UNDP shall indicate for its record that the official date and time of receiving the Bid is the <u>actual</u> date and time when the said Bid has physically arrived at the UNDP premises indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 20).
- 23.3 Bidders submitting Bid by mail or by hand shall enclose the original and each copy of the Bid, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking each of the envelopes as "Original Bid" and the others as "Copy of Bid". The two envelopes, consisting of original and copies, shall then be sealed in an outer envelope. The number of copies required shall be as

specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 19). In the event of any discrepancy between the contents of the "Original Bid" and the "Copy of Bid", the contents of the original shall govern. The original version of the Bid shall be signed or initialed by the Bidder or person(s) duly authorized to commit the Bidder on every page. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the highest official of the firm, or a Power of Attorney, accompanying the Bid.

23.4 Bidders must be aware that the mere act of submission of a Bid, in and of itself, implies that the Bidder accepts the General Contract Terms and Conditions of UNDP as attached hereto as Section 11.

24. Deadline for Submission of Bid and Late Bids

Bid must be received by UNDP at the address and no later than the date and time specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 20 and 21).

UNDP shall not consider any Bid that arrives after the deadline for submission of Bid. Any Bid received by UNDP after the deadline for submission of Bid shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Bidder.

25. Withdrawal, Substitution, and Modification of Bid

- 25.1 Bidders are expected to have sole responsibility for taking steps to carefully examine in detail the full consistency of its Bid to the requirements of the ITB, keeping in mind that material deficiencies in providing information requested by UNDP, or lack clarity in the description of goods and related services to be provided, may result in the rejection of the Bid. The Bidder shall assume any responsibility regarding erroneous interpretations or conclusions made by the Bidder in the course of understanding the ITB out of the set of information furnished by UNDP.
- 25.2 A Bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Bid after it has been submitted by sending a written notice in accordance with ITB Clause 23, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization (or a Power of Attorney). The corresponding substitution or modification of the Bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be received by UNDP prior to the deadline for submission and submitted in accordance with ITB Clause 23 (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies). The respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL," "SUBSTITUTION," or MODIFICATION".
- 25.3 Bid requested to be withdrawn shall be returned unopened to the Bidders.
- 25.4 No Bid may be withdrawn, substituted, or modified in the interval between the deadline for submission of Bid and the expiration of the period of Bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form or any extension thereof.

26. Bid Opening

UNDP will open the Bid in the presence of an ad-hoc committee formed by UNDP of at least two (2) members. If electronic submission is permitted, any specific electronic Bid opening procedures shall be as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 23).

The Bidders' names, modifications, withdrawals, the condition of the envelope labels/seals, the number of folders/files and all other such other details as UNDP may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening. No Bid shall be rejected at the opening stage, except for late submission, for which the Bid shall be returned unopened to the Bidder.

27. Confidentiality

Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Bid, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process, even after publication of the contract award.

Any effort by a Bidder to influence UNDP in the examination, evaluation and comparison of the Bid or contract award decisions may, at UNDP's decision, result in the rejection of its Bid.

In the event that a Bidder is unsuccessful, the Bidder may seek a meeting with UNDP for a debriefing. The purpose of the debriefing is discussing the strengths and weaknesses of the Bidder's submission, in order to assist the Bidder in improving the bid presented to UNDP. The content of other bid and how they compare to the Bidder's submission shall not be discussed.

E. EVALUATION OF BID

28. Preliminary Examination of Bid

UNDP shall examine the Bid to determine whether they are complete with respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents have been properly signed, whether or not the Bidder is in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Committee's list of terrorists and terrorist financiers, and in UNDP's list of suspended and removed vendors, and whether the Bid are generally in order, among other indicators that may be used at this stage. UNDP may reject any Bid at this stage.

29. Evaluation of Bid

- 29.1 UNDP shall examine the Bid to confirm that all terms and conditions under the UNDP General Terms and Conditions and Special Conditions have been accepted by the Bidder without any deviation or reservation.
- 29.2 The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Bids on the basis of their responsiveness to the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications and other documentation provided, applying the procedure indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 25). Absolutely no changes may be made by UNDP in the criteria after all Bids have been received.
- 29.1 UNDP reserves the right to undertake a post-qualification exercise, aimed at determining, to

its satisfaction the validity of the information provided by the Bidder. Such post-qualification shall be fully documented and, among those that may be listed in the **Data Sheet** (DS No.33), may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following:

- a) Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of the information provided by the bidder on the legal, technical and financial documents submitted;
- b) Validation of extent of compliance to the ITB requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team;
- c) Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction on the bidder, or any other entity that may have done business with the bidder;
- d) Inquiry and reference checking with other previous clients on the quality of performance on on-going or previous contracts completed;
- e) Physical inspection of the bidder's plant, factory, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the bidder;
- f) Testing and sampling of completed goods similar to the requirements of UNDP, where available; and
- g) Other means that UNDP may deem appropriate, at any stage within the selection process, prior to awarding the contract.

30. Clarification of Bid

To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of bids, UNDP may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder to clarify its Bid.

UNDP's request for clarification and the Bidder's response shall be in writing. Notwithstanding the written communication, no change in the prices or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to provide clarification, and confirm the correction of any arithmetic errors discovered by UNDP in the evaluation of the Bid, in accordance with ITB Clause 35.

Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Bid, which is not a response to a request by UNDP, shall not be considered during the review and evaluation of the Bid.

31. Responsiveness of Bid

UNDP's determination of a Bid's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the Bid itself.

A substantially responsive Bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB without material deviation, reservation, or omission.

If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by UNDP and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.

32. Nonconformities, Reparable Errors and Omissions

32.3 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, UNDP may waive any non-conformities or

- omissions in the Bid that, in the opinion of UNDP, do not constitute a material deviation.
- 32.4 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, UNDP may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the Bid related to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Bid.
- 32.5 Provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, UNDP shall correct arithmetical errors as follows:
 - a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the line item total that is obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of UNDP there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the line item total as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
 - b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and
 - c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to the above.
- 32.6 If the Bidder does not accept the correction of errors made by UNDP, its Bid shall be rejected.

F. AWARD OF CONTRACT

33. Right to Accept, Reject, or Render Non-Responsive Any or All Bid

- 33.1 UNDP reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, to render any or all of the Bids as non-responsive, and to reject all Bids at any time prior to award of contract, without incurring any liability, or obligation to inform the affected Bidder(s) of the grounds for UNDP's action. Furthermore, UNDP is not obligated to award the contract to the lowest price offer.
- 33.2 UNDP shall also verify, and immediately reject their respective Bid, if the Bidders are found to appear in the UN's Consolidated List of Individuals and Entities with Association to Terrorist Organizations, in the List of Vendors Suspended or Removed from the UN Secretariat Procurement Division Vendor Roster, the UN Ineligibility List, and other such lists that as may be established or recognized by UNDP policy on Vendor Sanctions. (See
 - http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/procurement protest/

34. Award Criteria

Prior to expiration of the period of Bid validity, UNDP shall award the contract to the qualified and eligible Bidder that is found to be responsive to the requirements of the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specification, and has offered the lowest price (See DS No. 32).

35. Right to Vary Requirements at the Time of Award

At the time of award of Contract, UNDP reserves the right to vary the quantity of the goods and/or related services, 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.

36. Contract Signature

Within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of the Contract, the successful Bidder shall sign and date the Contract and return it to UNDP.

Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the requirement of ITB Section F.3 and this provision shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, and forfeiture of the Bid Security if any, and on which event, UNDP may award the Contract to the Bidder with the second highest rated Bid, or call for new Bid.

37. Performance Security

A performance security, if required, shall be provided in the amount and form provided in Section 9 and by the deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 14), as applicable. Where a Performance Security will be required, the submission of the said document, and the confirmation of its acceptance by UNDP, shall be a condition for the effectivity of the Contract that will be signed by and between the successful Bidder and UNDP.

38. Bank Guarantee for Advanced Payment

Except when the interests of UNDP so require, it is the UNDP's preference to make no advanced payment(s) on contracts (i.e., payments without having received any outputs). In the event that the Bidder requires an advanced payment upon contract signature, and if such request is duly accepted by UNDP, and the said advanced payment exceeds 20% of the total Bid price, or exceed the amount of USD 30,000, UNDP shall require the Bidder to submit a Bank Guarantee in the same amount as the advanced payment. A bank guarantee for advanced payment shall be furnished in the form provided in Section 10.

39. Vendor Protest

UNDP's vendor protest procedure provides an opportunity for appeal to those persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract through a competitive procurement process. In the event that a Bidder believes that it was not treated fairly, the following link provides further details regarding UNDP vendor protest procedures: http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml

Instructions to Bidders

DATA SHEET

The following data for the supply of goods and related services shall complement / supplement the provisions in the Instruction to Bidders. In the case of a conflict between the Instruction to Bidders and the Data Sheet, the provisions in the Data Sheet shall prevail.

DS No.	Cross Ref. to Instructions	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements	
1		Project Title:	One UN Car Rental Services	
2		Title of Goods/Services/Work Required:	Car Rental Services	
3		Country:	Yemen	
4	C.13	Language of the Bid:	⊠ English	
5	C.20	Conditions for Submitting Bid for Parts or sub-parts of the Total Requirements	Allowed: Companies may bid for Lot	
6	C.20	Conditions for Submitting Alternative Bid	☐ Shall not be considered ☐ Shall be considered. A Bidder may submit an alternative Bid, but only if it also submits a Bid that meets the base case (i.e., what is originally required by UNDP in this ITB). UNDP shall only consider the alternative bid offered by the Bidder whose Bid for the base case was determined to be a responsive Bid that offers the lowest price.	
7	C.22	A pre-Bid conference will be held on:	NOT APPLICABLE Time:	

			Date: Venue: The UNDP focal point for the arrangement is: Samira Al Farah Telephone: +967-1448605 E-mail: samira.alfarah@Undp.org
8	C.21.1	Period of Bid Validity commencing on the submission date	1 year renewable
9	B.9.5 C.15.4 b)	Bid Security	 □ Required Amount: Click here to enter text. Form: Click here to enter text. ☑ Not Required
10	B.9.5	Acceptable forms of Bid Security	 □ Bank Guarantee (See Section 8 for template) □ Any Bank-issued Check / Cashier's Check / □ Certified Check □ Other negotiable instrument □ Cash (exceptionally, if none of the other forms are feasible) □ Others [pls. specify]
11	B.9.5 C.15.4 a)	Validity of Bid Security	[indicate no. of days, but minimum of 90] days from the last day of Bid submission. Bid Security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned.
12		Advanced Payment upon signing of contract	☐ Allowed up to a maximum of% of contract ☐ Not allowed
13		Liquidated Damages	☐ Will not be imposed X Will be imposed under the following conditions: Percentage of contract price per day of delay:0,5 Max. no. of days of delay :30 Next course of action : terminate contract
14	F.37	Performance Security	☐ Required Amount: Form:

15	C.17 C.17.2	Preferred Currency of Bid and Method for Currency conversion	☑ United States Dollars (US\$)☐ Euro☑ Local Currency
16	B.10.1	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/ questions	3 days before the submission date.
17	B.10.1	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	Focal Person in UNDP: Samira Al Farah E-mail address dedicated for this purpose: samira.alfarah@undp.org
18	B.11.1	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the ITB and responses/clarifications to queries	 □ Direct communication to prospective Bidders by email or fax ☑ Direct communication to prospective Bidders by email or fax, and Posting on the website http://procurement-notices.undp.org
19	D.23.3	No. of copies of Bid that must be submitted	Original : 1 Copies : 1
20	D.23.1 b) D.23.2 D.24	Bid submission address	
21	C.21.1 D.24	Deadline of Bid Submission	Date and Time: December 03, 2014, 16:00 hours Sana'a local time
22	D.23.2	Manner of Submitting Bid	☑ Courier/Hand Delivery☐ Electronic submission of Bid
23	D.23.2 D.26	Conditions and Procedures for electronic submission and opening, if allowed	☐ Official Address for e-submission: [specify] ☐ Format: PDF files only, password protected ☐ Password must not be provided to UNDP until the date and time of Bid Opening as indicated in No. 24 ☐ Max. File Size per transmission: 5 megs ☐ Max. No. of transmission: 5 ☐ No. of copies to be transmitted: 1 ☐ Mandatory subject of email: ☐ Virus Scanning Software to be Used prior to transmission: [specify]

			 □ Digital Certification/Signature: [specify] □ Time Zone to be Recognized: [specify] □ Other conditions: [pls. specify]
24	D.23.1 c)	Date, time and venue for opening of Bid	Date and Time: December 4, 2014 11:00 AM Venue: UNDP main office
25		Evaluation method to be used in selecting the most responsive Bid	 ☑ Non-Discretionary "Pass/Fail" Criteria on the Technical Requirements; and ☑ Lowest price offer of technically qualified/responsive Bid
26	C.15.1	Required Documents that must be Submitted to Establish Qualification of Bidders (In "Certified True Copy" form only) [check all that apply, delete those that will not be required.]	© Company Profile, which should not exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods/services being procured ☐ Members of the Governing Board and their Designations duly certified by the Corporate Secretary, or its equivalent document if Bidder is not a corporation ☑ Tax Registration/Payment Certificate issued by the Internal Revenue Authority evidencing that the Bidder is updated with its tax payment obligations, or Certificate of Tax exemption, if any such privilege is enjoyed by the Bidder ☑ Certificate of Registration of the business, including Articles of Incorporation, or equivalent document if Bidder is not a corporation ☑ Trade name registration papers, if applicable ☑ Local Government permit to locate and operate in the current location of office or factory ☐ Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid in behalf of an entity located outside the country ☐ Quality Certificate (e.g., ISO, etc.) and/or other similar certificates, accreditations, awards and citations received by the Bidder, if any ☐ Certification or authorization to act as Agent in behalf of the Manufacturer, or Power of Attorney, if bidder is not a manufacturer ☑ Latest Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) including Auditor's Report for the past 2 years ☑ Statement of Satisfactory Performance from the Top [indicate number] Clients in terms of Contract Value the past 2 years

			☐ All information regarding any past and current litigation during the last five (5) years, in which the bidder is involved, indicating the parties concerned, the subject of the litigation, the amounts involved, and the final resolution if already concluded.
27		Other documents that may be Submitted to Establish Eligibility	
28	C.15	Structure of the Technical Bid and List of Documents to be Submitted	Description of the company, proof of dealership, description of local partners, list of cars and armored cars owned by the company
29	C.15.2	Latest Expected date for commencement of Contract	December 31, 2014
30	C.15.2	Maximum Expected duration of contract	1 year extensible to three years based on satisfactory performance
31		UNDP will award the contract to:	One or more Bidders, depending on the following factors: each lot to be awarded to the cheapest compliant and also the subsequent two best compliant offers will be offered a contract
32	F.34	Criteria for the Award and Evaluation of Bid	Award Criteria Non-discretionary "Pass" or "Fail" rating on the detailed contents of the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications Compliance on the following qualification requirements: Manufacturer authorization or proof of dealership Bid Evaluation Criteria Minimum no. of years of experience in similar contracts: 2; Minimum annual turnover of [150,000 USD] for the past [2 years]; Current ratio of not less than 1.0 [modify if a higher number is required]; Net Working Capital of [indicate amount and currency] for the past [indicate number of years of reference]; Minimum no. of similar projects with UN OR other reputable organization undertaken over the past 2 years Highest value of contract over the past 5 years At least USD 15,000 per lot Full compliance of Bid to the Technical

			Requirements; ☑ Quality Inspection and Testing Certificates for the goods to be supplied; ☐ After-sales service of at least 1 year ☐ Lowest Operating Costs Evidenced by a Table of Consumables, Rate of Consumption, and Unit Price; ☐ Warranty on parts and services for a minimum period of industry standards ☐ User's Training for a minimum of 5 persons to be conducted at Sana'a for a period of as needed. ☐ Maximum percentage of supply/work that will be sub-contracted [indicate percentage]; ☐ Acceptability of the Transportation/Delivery Schedule; ☐ Appropriateness of the Implementation Timetable to Project Schedule; ☐ Qualification of the Team Leader to directly coordinate with UNDP [specify details]; ☐ Qualification of all other personnel to be assigned to the contract [specify details] ☒ Others Note that pre-qualification criteria include complete compliance to the TOR in Section 3a of these bidding documents. Notably, offers tendered by companies that do not comply with the minimum requirements below will not be considered compliant and will therefore be rejected. a) quality of vehicles as per Table 1 in Section 3a b) qualification of the drivers c) Any other requirements
33	E.29	Post qualification Actions	 ☑ Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of the information provided by the bidder on the legal, technical and financial documents submitted; ☑ Validation of extent of compliance to the ITB requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team; ☐ Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction on the bidder, or any other entity that may have done business with the bidder;

		 ☑ Inquiry and reference checking with other previous clients on the quality of performance on ongoing or previous contracts completed; ☑ Physical inspection of the bidder's plant, factory, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the bidder; ☑ Testing and sampling of completed goods similar to the requirements of UNDP, where available; and ☐ Others [click here to specify]
34	Conditions for Determining Contract Effectivity	□ UNDP's receipt of Performance Bond □ UNDP's approval of plans, drawings, samples, etc. □ Others This is a long term agreement, LTA, which is a framework legal agreements with established price lists for the UN and all of their agencies to place orders as needed against that price list, and invoices to be sent monthly. Conditions and modality for placing orders is described in the TOR.
35	Other Information Related to the ITB	

Section 3a: Schedule of Requirements and Terms of Reference

Background:

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Yemen office is seeking offers from reputable, well established and experienced Car Rental Firms duly incorporated under the Laws of Yemen to provide Vehicle Transportation Services on Long Term Agreement (LTA) basis for Sana'a based staff and missions as well as other counties and locations fully describe herein;

Three Lots:

Lot 1: Car rental inside Sana'a

Lot 2 Car rental outside of Sana'a

Lot 3 Armoured Car rental

Model of Contract and Prices

Companies may bid on any of these lots or combination thereof. The tender will result in an award to the company/companies with the three lowest-priced compliant offers and sign contract(s) in the form as per the attached for the validity of 1. At the expiration of a year, the contract may be extended by another year up to a maximum of three years, upon satisfactory performance of the Service Provider. Prices may be negotiated for the subsequent years, but price variation may be only allowed to adjust to inflation or significant changes in the price structure for this line of business in Yemen. If the Service Provider demands a higher price than esteemed reasonable by UNDP the contract will not be extended.

Sets of Services required per Lot

For each of these lots, UNDP may need to hire:

- Cars with drivers and fuel
- Cars with fuel
- Cars alone

Finally, companies should also quote the discount they would give per vehicle rented for orders of 5 vehicles or more. See annex VII.

Mechanism for Contract Award:

The mechanism to award the contract is therefore articulated as follows:

The itemized prices per each lot will be summed. From the total price obtained we will then subtract the discount offered. This will be the total price per lot. This price will be used to rank offerors from cheapest to most expensive for contract awarding. This price is obviously different from the contract price: it is only a practical arrangement to establish a mechanism for contract award. There shall be no contract ceiling price as each UN agency will establish a contract or issue direct orders (purchase order) to the Service Provider based on this award procedure. The prices will be valid for all UN agencies.

Award of Contract:

Bidders should keep in mind that whilst this bidding exercise is administered by UNDP, the services will be governed by individual contracts that each UN agency in Yemen would undersign with the Car Rental Company: each individual UN agency would sign a contract of the validity of one year for each lot tendered in this exercise with a one or more companies that would rank highest in this bidding exercise.

Workdays and Work-hours:

- 1. The regular workdays of the transportation of the staff / missions are Sunday Thursday, however services are required for seven days a week
- 2. The work-hours are 08:00 through 16:00 seven days a week. Required Car Rental will be based on 8 Hours / day
- 3. Vehicles shall be available within 24 hours upon call to service.

Work Experience:

The Service Provider shall have at least 2 years of prior successful experience in Car Rental Operations.

Scope of Services:

- a) The Service Provider shall comply with the relevant requirements of the safety regulations of UNDP and all applicable laws and regulations of Republic of Yemen. The Service Provider shall be responsible for all safety measures required for the services.
- b) The Service Provider shall warrants that all Vehicles provided under the contract are registered with the Yemen Traffic Department at its sole cost and expense. The Service Provider shall keep a record of the Registration Cards, and at its sole cost and expense renew them on the due dates without any responsibility from the side of UNDP. The Service Provider will be held responsible for all consequences arising out of the non-renewal of such registration on due dates and shall keep UNDP indemnified against any such failure to register.
- c) The Service Provider shall be fully responsible for any and all maintenance, servicing and repair needs of the vehicle during the term of this Contract, and all costs related thereto, and shall ensure that the vehicle operates properly during the term of this Contract. Except in the case of emergencies, the Owner shall ensure that service and repair does not take place during the hours that UNDP requires the vehicle, or at any other time that will interfere with UNDP's purposes for the use of the vehicle.
- d) In the event of traffic violations and the issuance of fines, the Service Provider shall be wholly responsible for payment..
- e) Required and acceptable vehicle's models under the contract shall be of 2007 and onward. All vehicles should be provided with operational heating and cooling system.
- f) The Service Provider shall hold a Valid Liability Insurance Policy Coverage for vehicles (comprehensive if applicable, or otherwise as per the standard vehicle insurance for rental agencies prevalent in Yemen), passengers and third party.
- g) The Rented Vehicle shall, as a minimum, be equipped with:
 - Spare-tire, the necessary accessories (spanner, jack, etc.)
 - Emergency/Accident triangle

- Operational lap and shoulder seat belts for passengers in the most forward seat, and lap-type belts for all other passengers. The Contractor shall maintain seat belts in operating order at all times.
- Fire extinguishers (1Kg dry powder)
- UNDP may request installation of communication equipment in Rented Vehicle for missions between cities and towns.
- One First Aid kit of appropriate type and capacity as per below specifications:
 - 1 Plastic case with handle
 - 1 instant cold pack
 - 1 CPR mouth piece
 - 1 Thermometer
 - 1 scissors
 - 1 Forceps
 - 1 Hypoallergenic woven tape
 - 10 sterile cotton balls
 - 2 sterile gauze sponge
 - 5 cotton buds
 - 1 elastic bandage
 - 2 sterile eye pads
 - 20 Band-Aids (plasters)
 - 20 alcohol swabs
 - 1 pair of gloves
 - 2 triangular bandages
 - 12 safety pins
 - 1 sterile wound dressing

Reliability Requirements:

The Contractor shall be able to maintain and have sufficient back-up capacity to ensure that replacement vehicles are available at all times in case of unforeseen breakdowns, accidents etc.

Driver's Requirements and Qualifications:

- The Drivers employed by the Service Provider shall be trained, fully qualified, and physically able (e.g. sight tested) to perform their duties. At all times, the drivers shall adhere to acceptable professional behavior standards. Unacceptable behavior includes: harassment or discrimination based on race, creed, color, sex, age, sexual orientation or national origin. In addition all drivers shall express a client oriented attitude and provide professional and polite service to all users of the vehicles.
- The Service Provider shall have written policies and procedures covering qualifications, training, and drug testing and employee duties for all drivers. The Service Provider shall establish and maintain a policy for the testing of drivers for the presence of controlled substances and alcohol. In addition, the policy shall include a procedure for testing drivers who have been involved in an accident.

- All drivers should have a minimum of secondary education, multi-lingual (Arabic and English Speaking) and have the knowledge of essential, INGOs and governmental locations within main towns.
- Note: Under no circumstances can drivers use Qat when in service. Qat is not allowed ever during service hours. No smoking inside the vehicles either.
- The Service Provider shall ensure that all drivers have a Certificate of Good Conduct from the Yemen Police.
- The Service Provider shall ensure that all drivers wear a company uniform and wear/display an identification badge/name plate that displays the Service Provider's name, employee name and picture of the employee.
- All drivers of the Vehicle(s) shall have a minimum of 3 years' experience with driving commercial passenger vehicles, in addition to meeting all minimum standards as required by Yemen Law. The Service Provider shall ensure that Drivers possess valid operating credentials and licenses in their possession while the rented vehicle(s) is being driven.
- The driver shall provide assistance to persons being transported while entering and exiting the rented vehicle if required.
- All drivers should be certified in First Aid and be able to use the First Aid kit available in the vehicle

UNDP reserves the right to review the qualifications of the Driver before commencement of service, or at any other time during the term of the Contract, but shall have no obligation to do so. At UNDP request, the Driver shall be replaced with another meeting the above conditions

2) The Rented Vehicle Driver should be provided with a mobile telephone with air time for communication in case of a breakdown or emergency. NeverthelessDrivers must not speak on mobile phones while the vehicle is in motion. The drivers must not communicate to passengers while the vehicle is in motion.

Note: UNDP shall maintain the right to request the change of drivers, if sufficient user complaints warrant such a request.

Performance measurement and Service Levels:

Based on the notion that transparent performance measurement mechanisms helps establish open lines of communication and develops a cooperative working relationship:

UNDP will, in consultation with the Service Provider, establish a system for performance measurement.

The Service Provider shall allow UNDP to perform random inspection and acceptance of the vehicle's to be furnished under the Contract to ensure that the vehicle(s) conform to the terms of the Contract. Any item found not in compliance with specifications shall be rejected.

Vehicle Maintenance

- a) The Service Provider shall be required to provide full maintenance for the Vehicles.
- b) The Service Provider shall maintain a **routine** service schedule for all the Vehicles provided under the contract.
- c) The service will be carried out as per manufacturer's maintenance schedule sheets.
- d) A complete service record including the service schedule and repair history shall be maintained by the Service Provider. The Service Provider shall at its cost and expense keep the technical records required for the Services as specified herein. Service Provider shall produce such documents to the UNDP at the request of the UNDP. All costs of maintenance and repair including but not limited to Punctures to tires, change any tube or tire deemed unfit and routine and emergency maintenance and repair shall be borne by the Service Provider.
- e) In case of Vehicles breakdown, non-working AC unit or non-availability of the Vehicles, and failure of providing a replacement by the Service Provider, the UNDP will cease payment for the unserviceable Vehicles until it has been returned to service.
- f) Payment for the permanent replacement Vehicles will commence when the Vehicles has been put into operation. In no case shall the rate for the replacement Vehicles exceed that of the Vehicles being replaced. Should the replacement Vehicles accepted by the UNDP be of a lower category than the Vehicles to be replaced, the rate of the replacement Vehicles will be reduced accordingly.
- g) In the event of any accidents involving the Vehicles provided under the contract, while being used by UNDP, UNDP will ensure that the necessary procedures are followed and reports obtained as required by the Service Provider's insurance company and submitted on time to the Service Provider. The Service Provider in such a case shall provide all necessary assistance in matters related to Traffic Police and other government departments and provide an immediate replacement.
- h) A qualified mechanic should be able to be contacted at all times (on 24 hours call) by UNDP representative to attend to emergency maintenance, repair or replacement of Vehicles provided.

Contract Administration:

Bidders should propose the detail how they plan to implement the contract: ordering and invoicing. But in principle, the UN would order the vehicles needed and the company would then indicate availability applying the prices quoted in this exercise. If vehicles are not available the UN would then contact the company that ranked second in this exercise, and then the third.

Payments should be made on a monthly basis against invoices. Each UN agency should be kept in a different key account.

Required Car Rental Vehicles Specifications: Type of Vehicles

The proposer should adhere to the brands of the vehicles mentioned below. Deviation

from the same will result into disqualification. The proposed vehicle model should not be older than 2005.

Table1

Vehicle Group	Accepted Models and brand within the group	Model	Fuel Type	Required Services
Sedan	Toyota Corolla	2007 - 2014	Petrol	
	Toyota Camry	And onward	Petrol	to provide Vehicle
	Hyundai Accent		Petrol	Transportation Services on
	Hyundai Sonata		Petrol	Long Term Agreement (LTA) basis for Sana'a based staff
	Nissan Teana		Petrol	and missions as well as other
Pick up	Toyota Hilux Double Cabin		Diesel	counties and locations
Station Wagon	Toyota Land Cruiser Prado GX		Diesel	
(6 – 8 Seats)	Toyota Land Cruiser Prado VX		Diesel	
	Hyundai Santa Fee		Diesel	
	Suzuki Vitara XI-7		Diesel	
Station Wagon	Toyota Land Cruiser GX		Diesel	
(9+ Seats)	Toyota Land Cruiser GXR		Diesel	
	Toyota Land Cruiser VXR		Diesel	
	Hyundai Azera]	Diesel	
	Nissan Patrol		Diesel	
	Mitsubishi Pajero		Diesel	

Required Armored Vehicle Specifications:

Armoring standard should be minimum B6.

Note that UNDSS may require additional restrictions or added specifications to the vehicles and the service provider is to assure compliance to all such additional requirements under penalty of cancelation or non extension of the contract.

Schedule of prices to be completed by bidders see Section VII

Section 4: Bid Submission Form²

(This should be written in the Letterhead of the Bidder. Except for indicated fields, no changes may be made in this template.)

Insert: Location
Insert: Date

To: [insert: Name and Address of UNDP focal point]

Dear Sir/Madam:

We, the undersigned, hereby offer to supply the goods and related services required for [insert: title of goods and services required as per ITB] in accordance with your Invitation to Bid dated Insert: bid date. We are hereby submitting our Bid, which includes the Technical Bid and Price Schedule.

We hereby declare that:

- a) All the information and statements made in this Bid are true and we accept that any misrepresentation contained in it may lead to our disqualification;
- b) We are currently not on the removed or suspended vendor list of the UN or other such lists of other UN agencies, nor are we associated with, any company or individual appearing on the 1267/1989 list of the UN Security Council;
- c) We have no outstanding bankruptcy or pending litigation or any legal action that could impair our operation as a going concern; and
- d) We do not employ, nor anticipate employing, any person who is or was recently employed by the UN or UNDP.

We confirm that we have read, understood and hereby fully accept the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications describing the duties and responsibilities required of us in this ITB, and the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP's Standard Contract for this ITB.

We agree to abide by this Bid for [insert: period of validity as indicated in Data Sheet].

We undertake, if our Bid is accepted, to initiate the supply of goods and provision of related services not later than the date indicated in the Data Sheet.

We fully understand and recognize that UNDP is not bound to accept this Bid, that we shall bear all costs associated with its preparation and submission, and that UNDP will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the evaluation.

² No deletion or modification may be made in this form. Any such deletion or modification may lead to the rejection of the Bid.

uthorized Signature [<i>In full and initials</i>]:
Name of Firm:
ontact Details:

Section 5: Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder

Bidder Information Form³

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year] of Bid Submission]

ITB No.: [insert number of bidding process]

Page _____of ____pages 1. Bidder's Legal Name [insert Bidder's legal name] 2. In case of Joint Venture (JV), legal name of each party: [insert legal name of each party in JV] 3. Actual or intended Country/ies of Registration/Operation: [insert actual or intended Country of Registration] 4. Year of Registration in its Location: [insert Bidder's year of registration] 5. Countries of Operation 6. No. of staff in each Country 7. Years of Operation in each Country 8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation:[insert Bidder's legal address in country of registration] 9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years 10. Latest Credit Rating (Score and Source, if any) 11. Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved. 12. Bidder's Authorized Representative Information Name: [insert Authorized Representative's name] Address: [insert Authorized Representative's Address] Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert Authorized Representative's telephone/fax numbers] Email Address: [insert Authorized Representative's email address] 13. Are you in the UNPD List 1267.1989 or UN Ineligibility List ? \square YES or \square NO

³ The Bidder shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, no alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

14. Attached are copies of original documents of:	
\square All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet	
 ☐ If Joint Venture/Consortium – copy of the Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement ☐ Intent to form a JV/Consortium, or Registration of JV/Consortium, if registered ☐ If case of Government corporation or Government-owned/controlled entity, document ☐ legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law. 	
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Joint Venture Partner Information Form (if Registered)⁴

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission]

ITB No.: [insert number of bidding process]

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1. Bidder's Legal Name: [insert Bi	1. Bidder's Legal Name: [insert Bidder's legal name]					
2. JV's Party legal name: [insert J	2. JV's Party legal name: [insert JV's Party legal name]					
3. JV's Party Country of Registrat	ion: [insert JV's Party country of regis	stration]				
4. Year of Registration: [insert Party's year of registration]						
5. Countries of Operation	5. Countries of Operation 6. No. of staff in each Country 7. Years of Operation in each Country					
8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation: [insert Party's legal address in country of registration]						
9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years						
10. Latest Credit Rating (if any): Click here to enter text.						
1. Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved. Click here to enter text.						

⁴ The Bidder shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, **n**o alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

13. JV's Party Authorized Representative Information
Name: [insert name of JV's Party authorized representative]
Address: [insert address of JV's Party authorized representative]
Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert telephone/fax numbers of JV's Party authorized representative]
Email Address: [insert email address of JV's Party authorized representative]
14. Attached are copies of original documents of: [check the box(es) of the attached original documents]
☐ All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet
\square Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 2.
\square In case of government owned entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance
with commercial law.

Section 6: Technical Bid Form⁵

THIS FORM TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH LOT

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Name of Bidding Organization / Firm:	
Country of Registration:	
Name of Contact Person for this Bid:	
Address:	
Phone / Fax:	
Email:	

SECTION 1: EXPERTISE OF FIRM/ ORGANISATION

This section should fully explain the Bidder's resources in terms of personnel and facilities necessary for the performance of this requirement.

- 1.1 Brief Description of Bidder as an Entity: Provide a brief description of the organization / firm submitting the Bid, its legal mandates/authorized business activities, the year and country of incorporation, and approximate annual budget, etc. Include reference to reputation, or any history of litigation and arbitration in which the organisation / firm has been involved that could adversely affect or impact the delivery of goods and/or performance of related services, indicating the status/result of such litigation/arbitration.
- <u>1.2. Financial Capacity:</u> Based on the latest Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) describe the financial capacity (liquidity, stand-by credit lines, etc.) of the bidder to engage into the contract. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc.
- 1.3. Track Record and Experiences: Provide the following information regarding corporate experience within at least the last five (5) years which are related or relevant to those required for this Contract.

Name of project	Client	Contract Value	Period of activity	Types of activities undertaken	Status or Date Completed	References Contact Details (Name, Phone, Email)

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 $^{^{5}}$ Technical Bids not submitted in this format may be rejected.

SECTION 2 - SCOPE OF SERVICES, ASSETS AND STAFF, MANAGEMENT

This section should demonstrate the Bidder's responsiveness to the specification by identifying the specific components proposed, addressing the requirements, as specified, point by point; providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed; and demonstrating how the proposed bid meets or exceeds the specifications.

- 1. Company organization
- 2. Vehicles available
- 3. Maintenance schedules for the vehicles
- 4. Equipment available on vehicles
- 5. <u>Drivers how many and how are they selected</u>
- 6. Equipment of drivers (cell phones)
- 7. <u>Insurance on vehicles and drivers</u>
- 8. Management and quality assurance
- 9. Management of the service invoicing
- 10. Any other information on your company, vehicles, drivers etc.
- 11. Attach brochures

Section 7: Price Schedule Form⁶

TOTAL FINANCIAL OFFERS to award the contract, all items of each lot will be summed up together, and the discount will be applied to the total amount.

LOT 1

Lot 1 : Sana'a Option A
Car Rental with Driver and Fuel

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

TOTAL OPTION A (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

 $^{^{6}}$ No deletion or modification may be made in this form. Any such deletion or modification may lead to the rejection of the Bid.

Lot 1 : Sana'a Option B Car Rental with Fuel:

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

$TOTAL\ OPTION\ B\ (obtained\ summing\ up\ all\ the\ totals\ per\ each\ column)$

Lot 1 : Sana'a Option C Car Rental without Driver nor Fuel:

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				

Hour Rate			
Day Rate (24 Hours)			
Extra time (per hour)			
One Week Rate (7 Days)			
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)			
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)			
One Month Rate (Calendar)			
VAT			
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles			
Total	<u>-</u>	_	

TOTAL OPTION C (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

 $Grand\ Total\ Lot\ 1\ (Option\ A+Option\ B+Option\ C)$

LOT 2

TOTAL FINANCIAL OFFERS to award the contract, all items of each lot will be summed up together, and the discount will be applied to the total amount.

Lot 2: Outside Sana'a Option A Car Rental with Driver and Fuel

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

TOTAL OPTION A (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Lot 2 : Outside Sana'a Option B Car Rental with Fuel:

Cotogowy	Codon	Dials IIn	Station	Station
Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Wagon (6-8)	Wagon (9+)

Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

TOTAL OPTION B (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Lot 2 : Outside Sana'a Option C Car Rental without Driver nor Fuel:

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				

Three Weeks Rate (21		
Days)		
One Month Rate		
(Calendar)		
VAT		
Discount per orders over		
5 vehicles		
Total		

TOTAL OPTION C (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Grand Total Lot 2 (Option A + Option B + Option C)

LOT 3

TOTAL FINANCIAL OFFERS to award the contract, all items of each lot will be summed up together, and the discount will be applied to the total amount.

Lot 3 : Armored Vehicles Option A Car Rental with Driver and Fuel

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

TOTAL OPTION A (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Lot 3 : Armored Vehicles Option B Car Rental with Fuel:

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				
Two weeks Rate (14 Days)				
Three Weeks Rate (21 Days)				
One Month Rate (Calendar)				
VAT				
Discount per orders over 5 vehicles				
Total				

TOTAL OPTION B (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Lot 3 : Armored Vehicles Option C Car Rental without Driver nor Fuel:

Category	Sedan	Pick Up	Station Wagon (6-8)	Station Wagon (9+)
Make				
Model				
Year	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014	2007 - 2014
Financial Offer:				
Hour Rate				
Day Rate (24 Hours)				
Extra time (per hour)				
One Week Rate (7 Days)				

Two weeks Rate (14		
Days)		
Three Weeks Rate (21		
Days)		
One Month Rate		
(Calendar)		
VAT		
Discount per orders over		
5 vehicles		
Total		

TOTAL OPTION C (obtained summing up all the totals per each column)

Grand Total Lot 3 (Option A + Option B + Option C)

General Terms and Conditions

UNDP GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

1.0 LEGAL STATUS:

The Contractor shall be considered as having the legal status of an independent contractor vis-à-vis the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The Contractor's personnel and sub-contractors shall not be considered in any respect as being the employees or agents of UNDP or the United Nations.

2.0 SOURCE OF INSTRUCTIONS:

The Contractor shall neither seek nor accept instructions from any authority external to UNDP in connection with the performance of its services under this Contract. The Contractor shall refrain from any action that may adversely affect UNDP or the United Nations and shall fulfill its commitments with the fullest regard to the interests of UNDP.

3.0 CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYEES:

The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional and technical competence of its employees and will select, for work under this Contract, reliable individuals who will perform effectively in the implementation of this Contract, respect the local customs, and conform to a high standard of moral and ethical conduct.

4.0 ASSIGNMENT:

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of this Contract or any part thereof, or any of the Contractor's rights, claims or obligations under this Contract except with the prior written consent of UNDP.

5.0 SUB-CONTRACTING:

In the event the Contractor requires the services of sub-contractors, the Contractor shall obtain the prior written approval and clearance of UNDP for all sub-contractors. The approval of UNDP of a sub-contractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under this Contract. The terms of any sub-contract shall be subject to and conform to the provisions of this Contract.

6.0 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.

7.0 INDEMNIFICATION:

The Contractor shall indemnify, hold and save harmless, and defend, at its own expense, UNDP, its officials, agents, servants and employees from and against all suits, claims, demands, and liability of any nature or kind, including their costs and expenses, arising out of acts or omissions of the Contractor, or the Contractor's employees, officers, agents or sub-contractors, in the performance of this Contract. This provision shall extend, inter alia, to claims and liability in the nature of workmen's compensation, products liability and liability arising out of the use of patented inventions or devices, copyrighted material or other intellectual property by the Contractor, its employees, officers, agents, servants or sub-contractors. The obligations under this Article do not lapse upon termination of this Contract.

8.0 INSURANCE AND LIABILITIES TO THIRD PARTIES:

- **8.1** The Contractor shall provide and thereafter maintain insurance against all risks in respect of its property and any equipment used for the execution of this Contract.
- **8.2** The Contractor shall provide and thereafter maintain all appropriate workmen's compensation insurance, or the equivalent, with respect to its employees to cover claims for personal injury or death in connection with this Contract.
- **8.3** The Contractor shall also provide and thereafter maintain liability insurance in an adequate amount to cover third party claims for death or bodily injury, or loss of or damage to property, arising from or in connection with the provision of services under this Contract or the operation of any vehicles, boats, airplanes or other equipment owned or leased by the Contractor or its agents, servants, employees or sub-contractors performing work or services in connection with this Contract.
- **8.4** Except for the workmen's compensation insurance, the insurance policies under this Article shall:
- **8.4.1** Name UNDP as additional insured;
- **8.4.2** Include a waiver of subrogation of the Contractor's rights to the insurance carrier against the UNDP;
- **8.4.3** Provide that the UNDP shall receive thirty (30) days written notice from the insurers prior to any cancellation or change of coverage.
- **8.5** The Contractor shall, upon request, provide the UNDP with satisfactory evidence of the insurance required under this Article.

9.0 ENCUMBRANCES/LIENS:

The Contractor shall not cause or permit any lien, attachment or other encumbrance by any

person to be placed on file or to remain on file in any public office or on file with the UNDP against any monies due or to become due for any work done or materials furnished under this Contract, or by reason of any other claim or demand against the Contractor.

10.0 TITLE TO EQUIPMENT: Title to any equipment and supplies that may be furnished by UNDP shall rest with UNDP and any such equipment shall be returned to UNDP at the conclusion of this Contract or when no longer needed by the Contractor. Such equipment, when returned to UNDP, shall be in the same condition as when delivered to the Contractor, subject to normal wear and tear. The Contractor shall be liable to compensate UNDP for equipment determined to be damaged or degraded beyond normal wear and tear.

11.0 COPYRIGHT, PATENTS AND OTHER PROPRIETARY RIGHTS:

- 11.1 Except as is otherwise expressly provided in writing in the Contract, the UNDP shall be entitled to all intellectual property and other proprietary rights including, but not limited to, patents, copyrights, and trademarks, with regard to products, processes, inventions, ideas, knowhow, or documents and other materials which the Contractor has developed for the UNDP under the Contract and which bear a direct relation to or are produced or prepared or collected in consequence of, or during the course of, the performance of the Contract, and the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that such products, documents and other materials constitute works made for hire for the UNDP.
- 11.2 To the extent that any such intellectual property or other proprietary rights consist of any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of the Contractor: (i) that pre-existed the performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract, or (ii) that the Contractor may develop or acquire, or may have developed or acquired, independently of the performance of its obligations under the Contract, the UNDP does not and shall not claim any ownership interest thereto, and the Contractor grants to the UNDP a perpetual license to use such intellectual property or other proprietary right solely for the purposes of and in accordance with the requirements of the Contract.
- 11.3 At the request of the UNDP; the Contractor shall take all necessary steps, execute all necessary documents and generally assist in securing such proprietary rights and transferring or licensing them to the UNDP in compliance with the requirements of the applicable law and of the Contract.
- 11.4 Subject to the foregoing provisions, all maps, drawings, photographs, mosaics, plans, reports, estimates, recommendations, documents, and all other data compiled by or received by the Contractor under the Contract shall be the property of the UNDP, shall be made available for use or inspection by the UNDP at reasonable times and in reasonable places, shall be treated as confidential, and shall be delivered only to UNDP authorized officials on completion of work under the Contract.

12.0 USE OF NAME, EMBLEM OR OFFICIAL SEAL OF UNDP OR THE UNITED NATIONS:

The Contractor shall not advertise or otherwise make public the fact that it is a Contractor with UNDP, nor shall the Contractor, in any manner whatsoever use the name, emblem or official seal of UNDP or THE United Nations, or any abbreviation of the name of UNDP or United Nations in connection with its business or otherwise.

13.0 CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION:

Information and data that is considered proprietary by either Party and that is delivered or disclosed by one Party ("Discloser") to the other Party ("Recipient") during the course of performance of the Contract, and that is designated as confidential ("Information"), shall be held in confidence by that Party and shall be handled as follows:

- **13.1** The recipient ("Recipient") of such information shall:
- **13.1.1** use the same care and discretion to avoid disclosure, publication or dissemination of the Discloser's Information as it uses with its own similar information that it does not wish to disclose, publish or disseminate; and,
 - **13.1.2** use the Discloser's Information solely for the purpose for which it was disclosed.
- 13.2 Provided that the Recipient has a written agreement with the following persons or entities requiring them to treat the Information confidential in accordance with the Contract and this Article 13, the Recipient may disclose Information to:
 - **13.2.1** any other party with the Discloser's prior written consent; and,
- 13.2.2 the Recipient's employees, officials, representatives and agents who have a need to know such Information for purposes of performing obligations under the Contract, and employees officials, representatives and agents of any legal entity that it controls, controls it, or with which it is under common control, who have a need to know such Information for purposes of performing obligations under the Contract, provided that, for these purposes a controlled legal entity means:
- **13.2.2.1** a corporate entity in which the Party owns or otherwise controls, whether directly or indirectly, over fifty percent (50%) of voting shares thereof; or,
 - 13.2.2.2 any entity over which the Party exercises effective managerial control; or,
 - **13.2.2.3** for the UNDP, an affiliated Fund such as UNCDF, UNIFEM and UNV.
- 13.3 The Contractor may disclose Information to the extent required by law, provided that, subject to and without any waiver of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, the Contractor will give the UNDP sufficient prior notice of a request for the disclosure of Information in order to allow the UNDP to have a reasonable opportunity to take protective measures or such other action as may be appropriate before any such disclosure is made.

- **13.4** The UNDP may disclose Information to the extent as required pursuant to the Charter of the UN, resolutions or regulations of the General Assembly, or rules promulgated by the Secretary-General.
- 13.5 The Recipient shall not be precluded from disclosing Information that is obtained by the Recipient from a third party without restriction, is disclosed by the Discloser to a third party without any obligation of confidentiality, is previously known by the Recipient, or at any time is developed by the Recipient completely independently of any disclosures hereunder.
- 13.6 These obligations and restrictions of confidentiality shall be effective during the term of the Contract, including any extension thereof, and, unless otherwise provided in the Contract, shall remain effective following any termination of the Contract.

14.0 FORCE MAJEURE; OTHER CHANGES IN CONDITIONS

- **14.1** In the event of and as soon as possible after the occurrence of any cause constituting force majeure, the Contractor shall give notice and full particulars in writing to the UNDP, of such occurrence or change if the Contractor is thereby rendered unable, wholly or in part, to perform its obligations and meet its responsibilities under this Contract. The Contractor shall also notify the UNDP of any other changes in conditions or the occurrence of any event that interferes or threatens to interfere with its performance of this Contract. On receipt of the notice required under this Article, the UNDP shall take such action as, in its sole discretion; it considers to be appropriate or necessary in the circumstances, including the granting to the Contractor of a reasonable extension of time in which to perform its obligations under this Contract.
- **14.2** If the Contractor is rendered permanently unable, wholly, or in part, by reason of force majeure to perform its obligations and meet its responsibilities under this Contract, the UNDP shall have the right to suspend or terminate this Contract on the same terms and conditions as are provided for in Article 15, "Termination", except that the period of notice shall be seven (7) days instead of thirty (30) days.
- **14.3** Force majeure as used in this Article means acts of God, war (whether declared or not), invasion, revolution, insurrection, or other acts of a similar nature or force.
- 14.4 The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, with respect to any obligations under the Contract that the Contractor must perform in or for any areas in which the UNDP is engaged in, preparing to engage in, or disengaging from any peacekeeping, humanitarian or similar operations, any delays or failure to perform such obligations arising from or relating to harsh conditions within such areas or to any incidents of civil unrest occurring in such areas shall not, in and of itself, constitute force majeure under the Contract..

15.0 TERMINATION

15.1 Either party may terminate this Contract for cause, in whole or in part, upon thirty (30) days notice, in writing, to the other party. The initiation of arbitral proceedings in accordance with Article 16.2 ("Arbitration"), below, shall not be deemed a termination of this Contract.

- 15.2 UNDP reserves the right to terminate without cause this Contract at any time upon 15 days prior written notice to the Contractor, in which case UNDP shall reimburse the Contractor for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor prior to receipt of the notice of termination.
- 15.3 In the event of any termination by UNDP under this Article, no payment shall be due from UNDP to the Contractor except for work and services satisfactorily performed in conformity with the express terms of this Contract.
- 15.4 Should the Contractor be adjudged bankrupt, or be liquidated or become insolvent, or should the Contractor make an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or should a Receiver be appointed on account of the insolvency of the Contractor, the UNDP may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may have under the terms of these conditions, terminate this Contract forthwith. The Contractor shall immediately inform the UNDP of the occurrence of any of the above events.

16.0 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 this Contract 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.
- **Arbitration:** Any dispute, controversy, or claim between the Parties arising out of the 16.2 Contract or the breach, termination, or invalidity thereof, unless settled amicably under Article 16.1, above, within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's written request for such amicable settlement, shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining. The decisions of the arbitral tribunal shall be based on general principles of international commercial law. For all evidentiary questions, the arbitral tribunal shall be guided by the Supplementary Rules Governing the Presentation and Reception of Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration of the International Bar Association, 28 May 1983 edition. The arbitral tribunal shall be empowered to order the return or destruction of goods or any property, whether tangible or intangible, or of any confidential information provided under the Contract, order the termination of the Contract, or order that any other protective measures be taken with respect to the goods, services or any other property, whether tangible or intangible, or of any confidential information provided under the Contract, as appropriate, all in accordance with the authority of the arbitral tribunal pursuant to Article 26 ("Interim Measures of Protection") and Article 32 ("Form and Effect of the Award") of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. In addition, unless otherwise expressly provided in the Contract, the arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award interest in excess of the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") then prevailing, and any such interest shall be simple interest only. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such dispute, controversy, or claim.

17.0 PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES:

Nothing in or relating to this Contract shall be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

18.0 TAX EXEMPTION

- **18.1** 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 public utility 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 the United Nations exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Contractor shall immediately consult with the UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.
- 18.2 Accordingly, the Contractor authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Contractor's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Contractor has consulted with the UNDP before the payment thereof and the UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Contractor to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Contractor shall provide the UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

19.0 CHILD LABOUR

- 19.1 The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it, nor any of its suppliers 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.
- **19.2** Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, at no cost to UNDP.

20.0 MINES:

- 20.1 The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its suppliers 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.
- **20.2** Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges

or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

21.0 OBSERVANCE OF THE LAW:

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing upon the performance of its obligations under the terms of this Contract.

22.0 SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:

- 22.1 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.
- 22.2 The 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.

23.0 AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possesses 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.

Section 11: Contract

LONG TERM AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES

TO THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

This Long Term Agreement is made between the United Nations Development Programme, a subsidiary organ of the United Nations, having its headquarters at 1 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017 (hereinafter "UNDP") and (hereinafter called "Contractor") with its headquarters at
WHEREAS, UNDP desires to enter into a Long Term Agreement for the provision of services by the Contractor to UNDP, pursuant to which UNDP country offices world-wide can conclude specific contractual arrangements with the Contractor, as provided herein;
WHEREAS pursuant to the Request for Proposal[to complete] the offer of the Contractor was accepted;
NOW, THEREFORE, UNDP and the Contractor (hereinafter jointly the "Parties) hereby agree as follows:
Article 1: SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. The Contractor shall provide the types of services and deliverables, which are listed in Annex 1 hereto ("Services/Terms of Reference"), as and when negotiated by UNDP headquarters or a UNDP country office and reflected in a contract for professional services, in the form attached hereto as Annex 2.
- 2. Such Services shall be at the discount prices listed in Annex 3. The prices shall remain in effect for a period of two years from Entry into Force of this Agreement.
- 3. UNDP does not warrant that any quantity of Services will be purchased during the term of this Agreement, which shall be for two years.

Article 2: CHANGES IN CONDITION

4. In the event of any advantageous technical changes and/or downward pricing of the Services during the duration of this Agreement, the Contractor shall notify UNDP

immediately. UNDP shall consider the impact of any such event and may request an amendment to the Agreement.

Article 3: CONTRACTOR'S REPORTING

5. The Contractor will report semi-annually to UNDP on the Services provided to UNDP, including its country offices.

Article 4: GENERAL AND SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

6.The standard UNDP General Conditions for Professional Services, attached as Annex 4, shall apply to this Agreement, and any subsequent contracts concluded in accordance with paragraph 1 above.

Article 5: ACCEPTANCE

7. This Agreement supersedes all prior oral or written agreements, if any, between the Parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the provision of the Services hereunder.

8. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the last signature by the representatives of the Parties and shall remain in force for a period of two years, and may be extended for [one additional] year by mutual agreement of the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representative of the PARTIES have signed this agreement.

For and on behalf of:

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME