

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) (Goods)

DATE: June 25, 2015
REFERENCE: UNDP/Projects/588/2015

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for the procurement of **the timber loading**, **transportation and unloading system including timber semitrailer**, **manipulator with log grapple and tractor**, as detailed in Annex 1 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 1, 2, 3.

Quotations may be submitted on or before July 16, 2015, 17.00 local (Minsk) time and via $\boxtimes e$ -mail, $\boxtimes courier$ mail or $\boxtimes facsimile$ to the address below:

United Nations Development Programme

220050, Republic of Belarus, Minsk, Kirov str., 17, 6th floor Receptionist +375 17 226 03 40 (fax), tenders.by@undp.org

Quotations submitted by email must be limited to a maximum of 7MB, virus-free and no more than 5 email transmissions. They must be free from any form of virus or corrupted contents, or the quotations shall be rejected.

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation will reach the address above on or before the deadline. Quotations that are received by UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. If you are submitting your quotation by email, kindly ensure that they are signed and in the .pdf format, and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the supply of the abovementioned goods:

Delivery Terms	⊠DAP	village	Vysokoe,	Berezovsky	Raion,	Brestskaya	Oblast,
[INCOTERMS 2010]	Republi	c of Bela	rus				

Customs clearance, if needed, shall be done by	⊠UNDP		
Exact Address/es of Delivery Location/s (identify all, if multiple)	SNI ""Republican Biological Reserve "Sporovsky", village Vysokoe, Berezovsky Raion, Brestskaya Oblast, Republic of Belarus		
UNDP Preferred Freight Forwarder, if any	Not applicable		
Distribution of shipping documents	Shipping documents should be sent to the address: UNDP in Belarus (project 00084642), 220050, Belarus, Minsk, Kirova str., 17, 6th floor. Copies of the documents should be sent to the e-mail address: sergei.bobrovskih@undp.org		
Latest Expected Delivery Date and Time (if delivery time exceeds this, quote may be rejected by UNDP)			
Delivery Schedule	⊠Not Required		
Packing Requirements	Packing must ensure undamaged delivery of all items		
Mode of Transport	☑ AIR ☑ LAND ☑ SEA		
Preferred Currency of Quotation	☐ United States Dollar ☐ Euro ☐ Local Currency: Belarusian Ruble. The contract will be signed and the payment will be made in the currency of submitted quotation		
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation	Must be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes. The price proposals of the offerors, non-residents of the Republic of Belarus shall not include VAT. In the price proposals of the offerors, residents of the Republic of Belarus, VAT, if included, shall be clearly indicated in the price proposal. In such a case, VAT, if any, will be paid to the Supplier and reimbursed to UNDP by the Ministry of Finances of the Republic of Belarus. The price proposals of offerors will be compared without VAT		
After-sales services required	☐ Warranty for minimum period of eighteen (18) months or 2000 operating hours whichever occurs first from the date of acceptance for tractor and eighteen (18) months for the timber semitrailer and manipulator. Brand new replacement if purchased unit is beyond repair shall be done by the Supplier		
Deadline for the Submission of Quotation	17.00 hours local (Minsk) time, July 16, 2015		
All documentations, including catalogs, instructions and operating manuals, shall be in this language	☑ English☑ Others: Russian, Belarusian		
Documents to be submitted	 ☑ Duly completed forms as provided in Annex 1, 2, 3; ☑ Documents confirming quality of the offered goods (quality/conformity certificate/declaration for the goods, other 		

Period of Validity of Quotes	documents confirming quality of goods, product conformity marking), ISO 9001 certificate or equivalent national certificate (if available); ☑ Latest Business Registration Certificate; ☑ Certification or authorization to act as agent in behalf of the manufacturer (power of attorney, distributor agreement, etc) if an Offeror is not the manufacturer; ☑ Documentary evidence of the technical parameters of the offered goods (technical details of the goods offered in the form of catalogues/descriptive literature/images of the goods) ☑ 90 days
starting the Submission Date	In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to extend the validity of the Quotation beyond what has been initially indicated in this RFQ. The Proposal shall then confirm the extension in writing, without any modification whatsoever on the Quotation
Partial Quotes	
Payment Terms	
Liquidated Damages	0.1% of contract amount for every day of delay, up to a maximum duration of 1 calendar month. Thereafter, the contract may be terminated
Evaluation Criteria	 ☑ Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to requirements and lowest price ☑ Full acceptance of the PO/Contract General Terms and Conditions
UNDP will award to	☑ <u>One and only one supplier</u> ; the contract will be awarded to the quotation that complies with all of the specifications, requirements as well as all other evaluation criteria indicated in the RFQ and offers the lowest price
Type of Contract to be Signed	□ Purchase Order (PO), PO form is posted at <u>www.undp.by</u> (http://un.by/en/tenders/modalities/)
Special conditions of Contract	□ Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery/completion is delayed by 30 calendar days
Conditions for Release of Payment	
Annexes to this RFQ	 Specifications of the Goods Required (Annex 1) Form for Submission of Quotation (Annex 2) General Terms and Conditions / Special Conditions (Annex 4) Others: Company Background Information Form (Annex 3) Non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions
	(GTC) shall be grounds for disqualification from this procurement process

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	carbon emissions and help ecosystems to adapt to climate change"
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	Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for
	extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that
	such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to
	the Proposers

Goods offered shall be reviewed based on completeness and compliance of the quotation with the minimum specifications described above and any other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

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

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

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

At any time during the validity of the quotation, no price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the quotation. At the time of award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

Any Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFQ shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a quotation implies that the vendor accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 4.

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

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

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

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

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours, *Iryna Dubouskaya Procurement Analyst*June 25, 2015

Technical Specifications

Procurement of the timber loading, transportation and unloading system including timber semitrailer, manipulator with log grapple and tractor. The system is intended for transportation of logs, lumber and wood assortment 1,5-6,0m long from forests. Volume of timber to be transported annually is $3000-4000 \text{ m}^3$.

	Specifications (offered)
	d goods
1.0.Timber semitrailer	
Model, manufacturer, country of origin Please indicate goods: Model: Manufacturer: Country of origin	
removable front guard (headboard), 4 pairs of stanchions/uprights, hydraulic-driven draft frame, hydraulic brake system, warning lights and lighting system. The semitrailer with manipulator (item 2.0 below) shall be compatible with the tractor and tractor drawn (item 3.0 below);	the type and with the
unloading system including timber semitrailer, manipulator with log unloading system including timber semitrailer, manipulator with log 1.2. Year of manufacture: 2015 (brand new); 1.3. Drive: Roller drive (4WD), tractive force not less than 19 kN (1,9 t); 1.4. Frame: Reinforced, made of steel of high structural strength; 1.5. Parking support: Available;	
grapple and 1.6. Number of axles: 2 axles, twinned (4	
tractor wheels); 1.7. Brake system: Air brakes on all wheels; parking brakes;	
1.8. Ground clearance, mm: Not less than 450;	
1.9. Payload, kg: 9000 - 11000;	
1.10. Length of load area, m: Not less than 5,0; 1.11. Load space area, m ² : Not less than 2,0;	

1.12. Quantity of side stanchions/uprights,	
pairs: 4 pairs (8 stanchions/uprights),	
detachable;	
1.13. Unladen weight, kg: Not more than 2300;	
1.14. Tow coupling: Available;	
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1.15. Warranty: Not less than 18 months from	
the date of supply; 2.0. Manipulator	
2.0. Manipulator	
Model, manufacturer, country of origin	Please indicate for the offered
	goods: Model:
	Manufacturer:
	Country of origin:
2.1. Type : Forestry hydraulic manipulator with	Please indicate the type and
log grapple. The hydraulic manipulator shall be	conformity with the
attached to the timber semitrailer (item 1.0	requirements:
above);	
2.2. Year of manufacture: 2015 (brand new);	
2.3. Maximal boom-out, m: 6,5 – 7,0;	
2.4 Payload at the maximal boom-out, kg: Not	
less than 400 kg;	
2.5. Gripper: Log grapple;	
2.6. Log grapple area, m ² : 0,2 +/-25%;	
2.7. Support legs: Hydraulic;	
2.8. Operation : From the additional pump at	
tractor's PTO;	
2.9. Independent hydraulic system with pump	
and hydraulic tank: Available;	
2.10. Controls: From the tractor's cabin;	
2.11. Warranty: Not less than 18 months from	
the date of supply;	
3.0. Tractor	
Model, manufacturer, country of origin	Please indicate for the offered
	goods:
	Model: Manufacturer:
	Country of origin:
3.1. Type: Four wheel universal tractor;	Please indicate the type and
intended for operation with timber semitrailer	conformity with the requirements:
(item 1.0 above) with manipulator (item 2.0	requirements.
above) at temperature range from -30°C to	
+35°C;	
3.2. Year of manufacture: 2015 (brand new);	

3.3. Ground clearance, mm: Not less than 450;	
3.4. Engine:	Please indicate the engine model:
3.4.1. Type: Diesel with turbocharger, with direct fuel injection;	
3.4.2. Number of cylinders: 4;	
3.4.3. Power, kW: Not less than 65;	
3.5. Fuel tank capacity, I: Not less than 100;	
3.6. Gearbox : Manual;	
3.7. Power takeoff (PTO): Rear power takeoff shaft (PTO);	
3.7.1. Rotations per minute: 540/1000;	
3.8. Wheel arrangement: 4K4;	
3.9. Rare axle differential lockup: Available;	
3.10. Hydraulic hitch system: Available;	
3.10.1. Maximal pressure, MPa: Not lower than 20;	
3.10.2. Pump output, I/min: Not lower than 45;	
3.11. Cabin:	
3.11.1. Type: For all weather conditions, closed type, safe, with opening windows, electric windshield wipers and front windscreen washer; 3.11.2. Heater: In-cabin;	
3.11.3. Number of seats: 1 – 2;	
3.11.4. Operator's seat: Rotary;	
3.11.5. Protective grid of rear window: Available;	
3.11.6. Protection: Protection of cabin from falling objects;	
3.12. Hydraulic distributor: Installed in the tractor cabin to control manipulator;	
3.13. Warranty : Not less than 18 months or 2000 operating hours from the date of supply;	
Requirements for semitrailer, manipulato	r and tractor
4.0. Operating and maintenance manuals : A set of manuals in English and Russian or Belarusian (to be supplied with the system);	Please confirm provision and indicate language:

5.0. Warranty servicing: The Supplier shall Please confirm acceptance of the warranty servicing requirements provide warranty repairs and replacement of and indicate provider of warranty faulty parts of the supplied Goods at the servicing: request of the Purchaser/End-user within three (3) calendar days upon receipt of such request (if and when required the Supplier's qualified specialist(s) shall be send to the timber loading, transportation and unloading system location for the rectification of defects). Provision of remote technical support in normal working hours; 6.0. After sales servicing: Technical support, Please confirm acceptance of requirements and provide servicing and supply of spare parts of the timber address of the service/technical loading, transportation and unloading system support centre: for not less than three (3) years from the date of Goods acceptance by the Purchaser under a separate service agreement signed between the Supplier and the Purchaser or the End-user of the Goods; availability of the service/technical support centre in the Republic of Belarus; 7.0. **Certification:** Copy of document confirming Please provide details of the relevant certificate (type, validity) quality of the offered goods (quality/conformity certificate/declaration for the goods, other 1. Timber semitrailer: documents confirming quality of goods, product 2. Manipulator:____ conformity marking), ISO 9001 certificate or 3. Tractor: equivalent national certificate (if available).

FORM FOR SUBMITTING SUPPLIER'S QUOTATION

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

We, the undersigned, hereby accept in full the UNDP General Terms and Conditions, and hereby offer to supply the items listed below in conformity with the specification and requirements of UNDP as per RFQ Reference No. UNDP/Projects/588/2015:

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

Item No.	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity, Unit of measure ment	Latest Delivery Date	Unit Price* (less VAT)	Total Price per Item* (less VAT)
1	Timber semitrailer (as per the technical specifications of Annex 1)	1 unit			
2	Manipulator with log grapple (as per the technical specifications of Annex 1)	1 unit			
3	Tractor (as per the technical specifications of Annex 1)	1 unit			
4	Add : Other Charges (VAT if applicable)				
5	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quotation (DAP village Vysokoe, Berezovsky Raion, Brestskaya Oblast, Republic of Belarus)				
	Currency of offer				
	Country of origin ¹				
	Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the	ne Consignm	ent		

^{*}Unit Price and Total Price per item should be based on terms of delivery: DAP village Vysokoe, Berezovsky Raion, Brestskaya Oblast, Republic of Belarus (Incoterms 2010).

^{1.} If the country of origin requires Export License for the goods being procured, or other relevant documents that the country of destination may require, the supplier must submit them to UNDP if awarded the PO/contract.

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

Other Information pertaining to our	Your Responses			
Quotation are as follows:	Yes, we will comply	No, we cannot comply	If you cannot comply, pls. indicate counter proposal	
Delivery Lead Time [not later than 90 days				
from the date of signing of the contract]				
Terms of delivery [DAP village Vysokoe, Berezovsky Raion, Brestskaya Oblast, Republic of Belarus]				
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements				
a) Minimum eighteen (18) months or 2000 operating hours warranty from the date of acceptance of goods for the tractor				
b) Minimum eighteen (18) months warranty from the date of acceptance of goods for the timber semitrailer and manipulator				
c) Warranty repairs and replacement of faulty parts of the supplied Goods at the request of the Purchaser/End-user within three (3) calendar days upon receipt of such request (if and when required the Supplier's qualified specialist(s) shall be send to the timber loading, transportation and unloading system location for the rectification of defects). Provision of remote technical support in normal working hours				
d) Technical support, servicing and supply of spare parts of the timber loading, transportation and unloading system for not less than three (3) years from the date of Goods acceptance by the Purchaser under a separate service agreement signed between the Supplier and the Purchaser or the End-user of the Goods; availability of the service/technical support centre in the Republic of Belarus				
Validity of Quotation [not less than 90 days starting from the Submission Date] Payment terms [100% upon complete				
delivery and acceptance of goods] All Provisions of the UNDP General Terms				
and Conditions (Annex 4) and Special				

Conditions		

We hereby declare of not being included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN Ineligibility List.

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

Company Background Information

Each legal entity or individual enterpriser submitting the quotation shall complete the form:

1	Offeror's Legal Name:	
2	Address:	
3	Telephone number:	
4	E-mail address:	
5	Fax Number:	
6	Country of Registration, Place of Registration:	
7	Year of Registration:	
8	Name of Body Issuing Registration Certificate:	
9	Name and Position of the Head of Company/Organization:	
10	Contact Person under the Offer:	
11	Bank Details:	
12	Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved:	

General Terms and Conditions

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PURCHASE ORDER

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

2. PAYMENT

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

3. TAX EXEMPTION

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

4. RISK OF LOSS

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

5. EXPORT LICENCES

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

6. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

The Supplier warrants that the goods, including packaging, conform to the specifications for the goods ordered under this Purchase Order and are fit for the purposes for which such goods are ordinarily used and for purposes expressly made known to the Supplier by UNDP, and are free from defects in workmanship and materials. The Supplier also warrants that the goods are contained or packaged adequately to protect the goods.

7. INSPECTION

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

8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

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

9. RIGHTS OF UNDP

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

- 9.1 Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNDP may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- 9.2 Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.

9.3 Cancel this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

10. LATE DELIVERY

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

11. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

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

12. USE OF UNDP OR UNITED NATIONS NAME OR EMBLEM

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

13. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

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

14. CHILD LABOUR

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

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

15. MINES

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is actively and directly engaged in patent activities, development, assembly, production, trade or manufacture of mines or in such activities in respect of components primarily utilized in the manufacture of Mines. The term "Mines" means those devices defined in Article 2, Paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Protocol II annexed to

the Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects of 1980.

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

16. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

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

17. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

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

18. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:

18.1 The Contractor shall take all appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse of anyone by it or by any of its employees or any other persons who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract. For these purposes, sexual activity with any person less than eighteen years of age, regardless of any laws relating to consent, shall constitute the sexual exploitation and abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor shall refrain from, and shall take all appropriate measures to prohibit its employees or other persons engaged by it from, exchanging any money, goods, services, offers of employment or other things of value, for sexual favors or activities, or from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitive or degrading to any person. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the provisions hereof constitute an essential term of the Contract and that any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate the Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind.

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

19.0 OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:

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

20. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:

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