



**EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
P.O. BOX 606 - 00621, VILLAGE MARKET
NAIROBI, KENYA**

Date: August 26, 2020

Dear Prospective Offeror:

SUBJECT: Solicitation Number 19KE5020Q0023

The Embassy of the United States of America invites you to submit a proposal to provide transport services and vehicle with driver for the U.S. Embassy Nairobi.

Your proposal must be submitted in two separate sealed envelopes as follows;

Title

1. RFQ. **FINANCIAL (PRICE) PROPOSAL:** This entails the price quotation indicating unit and total prices without VAT (*Must have the Company Letter Head or Company Stamp/ Seal including your quotation Reference Number*).
2. RFQ. **TECHNICAL PROPOSAL:** No pricing information should be included. (*Must have your Letter Head or Company Stamp/Seal i.e. it should be on plain paper*). *Your quotation reference number is required on this which matches the price proposal number*).

This must be submitted on or before **Tuesday, September 15, 2020. 10.00am East African Time**. No quotations will be accepted after this time and only hard-copy documents will be accepted. The Financial Proposal and the Technical Proposal must be separate. Deliver submissions to the U.S. Embassy- Nairobi, UN Avenue, Gigiri at the Truck Transfer Area next to CAC 2.

The U.S. Government intends to award a contract/purchase order to the responsible company submitting a technically acceptable quotation at the lowest price. We intend to award a contract/purchase order based on initial quotations, without holding discussions, although we may hold discussions with companies in the competitive range if there is a need to do so.

All contractors must be registered in the SAM (System for Award Management) Database <https://beta.sam.gov/> prior to contract award pursuant to FAR provision 52.204-7. Therefore, prospective offerors should register prior to the submittal of quotations/proposals. Please note that Kenya is not a danger pay post.

The guidelines for registration in SAM are also available at: <https://www.sam.gov/SAM/>

In order for a proposal to be considered, you must also complete and submit the following:

1. SF-1449;
2. Section B;
3. Section K, Representations and Certifications;
4. Additional information as required in Section L.

The contract completion date is specified in Section F of the solicitation.

Direct any questions regarding this solicitation to **the Contracting Officer** by email NairobiGSO-Contracts@state.gov. Kindly reference the solicitation number for all communications.

Sincerely,

Aisha O' Neal
Contracting Officer

MODEL CONTRACT – SECTION A

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS <i>OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30</i>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER PR9284694	PAGE 1 OF 1 of # 63
2. CONTRACT NO.	3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NUMBER	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 19KE5020Q0023	6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE August 26, 2020	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL:		a. NAME Aisha O’Neal, Contracting Officer	b. TELEPHONE NUMBER(No collect calls) 020-363-06000	8. OFFER DUE DATE/ Sept 15 ,2020 LOCAL TIME 10 am	
9. ISSUED BY U. S. Embassy Nairobi, Kenya P.O. Box 606-00621, Village Market		10. THIS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL <input type="checkbox"/> WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE <input type="checkbox"/> (WOSB) ELLIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE-DISABLED <input type="checkbox"/> EDWOSB <input type="checkbox"/> VETERAN-OWNED <input type="checkbox"/> 8 (A) SIZE STANDARD:			
11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED	12. DISCOUNT TERMS	<input type="checkbox"/> 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER	13b. RATING		
15. DELIVER TO CODE		16. ADMINISTERED BY CODE			
U. S. Embassy Nairobi, Kenya ,		Aisha O’Neal , Contracting Officer			
17a. Contractor/Offeror	COD E	FACILITY CODE	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY Financial Management Officer United States Embassy Attn: Financial Management Officer P.O. Box 606, Village Market 00621 Nairobi, KENYA		
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT		18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS			
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	21. QUANTIT	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	Motor Vehicle and Driver Hire Services “See attached” <i>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as</i>				
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA				26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)	
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X 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>3</u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR			<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR		
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR			31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)		
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)	30c. DATE SIGNED	31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER Aisha O’Neal	31c. DATE SIGNED		

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SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

B.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall provide transport services and vehicle with driver for the U.S. Embassy Nairobi in accordance with Section C - Description/ Specifications/Work Statement and the Exhibits contained in Section J of this contract. The period covered by this contract is addressed in Section F.

B.2 TYPE OF CONTRACT

This is a fixed price, type contract with firm-fixed rates.

B.3 PRICING

B.3.1 General

- (a) The Contractor shall provide the vehicles with driver at the rates shown below.
- (b) The quantities in B.3.2 are estimates only and are not guaranteed by this contract.
- (c) The Government may require vehicles at multiple locations.
- (d) Include any cost of Workers' Compensation and War-Hazard Insurance in the prices. This insurance shall not be a direct reimbursement.
- (e) The Government will make payment in local currency.
- (f) VALUE ADDED TAX.

VALUE ADDED TAX. Value Added Tax (VAT) is not applicable to this contract and shall not be included in the CLIN rates or Invoices because the U.S. Embassy is zero-rated for VAT.

B.3.2 Price Schedule

<u>Monthly Rate Pricing - See B.3.2.3 below</u>					
<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit Price per vehicle</u>	<u>Est.* Quantity (Months)</u>	<u>Total Est. Amount (Unit Price *4 *12)</u>
01	4 no. Large SUVs 4X4 (capacity 6 pax) with driver) (estimated mileage 15,000km Per month Per vehicle	Monthly		12	

* This estimated amount is based on total estimated Government requirements for this period of performance.

<i>Cost Reimbursement - See C.4.3 & C.7.4 below</i>					
<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit Price NTE</u>	<u>Est.* Quantity</u>	<u>Total Est. NTE Amount</u>
01	Fuel Costs to be reimbursed for 4 vehicles for 12 months	Monthly	\$800	4 x 12 months	\$38,400
02	Lodging Costs to be reimbursed per driver	Per Night	\$160	84 stays	\$13,440
Total Estimated Reimbursements Amount (fuel and lodging combined):					<u>\$51,840</u>

B.3.2.1 The above rates shall include all the costs necessary to accomplish the work as required by this contract, including all managerial cost, administrative cost, vehicles, drivers, communication equipment, and all vehicle operation expenses.

B.3.2.2 No vehicles substitutions that do not meet or exceed the specifications in the statement of work are allowed.

B.3.2.3 The monthly rate shall be charged for any consecutive 12-month period within a calendar year. Any additional vehicle hire will be in increments of one month.

SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

C.1 GENERAL

The Contractor shall provide transport services for the U.S. Embassy Nairobi. Contractor shall provide weekday, weekend, and holiday 24/7 available transport services for a law enforcement advisory group to various Kenyan governmental offices, agencies, and other local locations as required. Services shall include, but not limited to, providing and maintaining the necessary vehicles as appropriate; transporting advisors to and from various Kenyan government offices/agencies; providing qualified drivers with valid license(s); providing a dedicated project manager to address all related logistics and necessary support staff; assurance of proper vehicle and driver liability insurance; bilingual (fluency in English and Kiswahili); prior experience defensive driving skills and; experience working with foreign diplomatic missions and/or law enforcement agencies. The Contractor shall provision for all resources necessary to accomplish all work required by this contract.

C.2 DEFINITIONS

“Month” means each calendar month irrespective of the number of days in each month and holidays.

"COR" means the Contracting Officer's Representative, appointed in accordance with Section G of this contract.

"Government" means the Government of the United States of America unless specifically stated otherwise.

"Ordering Officer" means the Contracting Officer of the U.S. Embassy Nairobi.

“Services” means the services performed, workmanship, and equipment furnished or utilized in the performance of the services.

C.3 MANAGEMENT

C.3.1 Contracting Officer’s Representative. The Contracting Officer’s Representative (COR) is responsible for validating requests for services and providing instructions to the Contractor in a timely manner.

C.3.2 Authorized Service Requesters. Any service request will list the names and phone numbers of all authorized order(s). Service requesters are only authorized to order service within the boundaries established in the contract and must seek approval from the Contracting Officer before requesting for any services required, but not authorized in the contract.

C.3.3 Project Manager. The Contractor shall designate a Project Manager who shall be the Contractor’s point of contact. The Project Manager shall be responsible for managing the Contractor’s work under this contract, including delegating requests to drivers (if drivers are

required by this contract) along with any instruction required, and ensuring a smooth and effective operation. The Contractor’s Project Manager and telephone number are:

To be completed at time of contract award.

Project Manager:	
Telephone Number:	

C.3.4 Documentation of Usage. The contractor shall obtain actual receipts for lodging and fuel for each trip, attach to the invoice as supporting documentation and evidence of costs incurred.

C.4 VEHICLE

C.4.1 Types of Vehicle. The Government requires the following types of vehicles under this contract. The Contractor shall provide registration numbers before the vehicles are used.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Size and Description</u>
1. Large SUVs 4X4 (Capacity 6 pax including driver)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Large SUV V8 or Similar b. Year of Manufacture not earlier than 2014 c. Length minimum 4900mm; height minimum 1900mm and ground clearance minimum 230mm d. Steering right-hand drive e. Engine displacement 4400 to 4800 cc f. Peak power minimum 230 HP g. Peak torque minimum 600 Nm h. Fuel tank capacity minimum 130 liters i. Number of doors 5 j. Front suspension double

	<p>wishbone</p> <p>k. Rear suspense 4-link type</p> <p>l. Front and rear brake discs</p> <p>m. Capacity to seat six (6) occupants</p> <p>n. Electrics (volts) 12; speedometer km/h</p> <p>o. Air conditioning auto; cool box</p> <p>p. Anti-lock braking system, power steering</p> <p>q. Spare wheel mounted under body</p> <p>r. 2 DIN radio, 4 speakers with AUX, CD, USB</p> <p>s. Air Bag System: Dual stage/Drivers set</p> <p>t. Anti-theft system: alarm & immobilizer vehicle stability control, electronic brake force</p> <p>u. Front heavy-duty bull bar with 12 V electric winch and spotlight</p> <p>v. Rear steel bumper</p>
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C.4.2 Replacement/Serviceing. The Contractor shall provide a replacement vehicle equivalent to the type that requires replacement, due to accident, breakdown, or any other reason, within one (1) hour of notice by the driver or by the COR.

C.4.3 Fuel Reimbursement. Fuel will be reimbursed based on actual usage. The Contractor will ensure to provide evidence of fuel usage included in each month invoice. Monthly fuel cost for four (4) vehicles shall be reimbursed in accordance to actual receipts up to \$3,200 dollars per month and a maximum of \$ 38,400 per year.

C.5 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

The Contractor shall provide two-way communication equipment (such as radios, cellular phones, or pagers) which shall be available for use by the driver at all times during the shift.

C.6 DISPATCH POINTS

C.6.1 Dispatch points will be provided to the dedicated project manager by the COR.

C.6.2 Level of Service. Vehicles shall be available to pick up passengers as indicated by the authorized requestor. Contractor shall provide transport services for advisors to and from various Kenyan governmental offices, agencies, and other local locations as required.

C.6.3. Out-of-Town trips. The Contractor shall provision for out-of-town trips (Mombasa, Kisumu, Busia, Taveta, and other Kenya borders) for approximately 7-days each month for a period of 12-months.

C.7 PERSONNEL

C.7.1 The Contractor shall provide qualified drivers for each vehicle specified in this contract. Drivers employed to perform services shall be experienced and competent in the performance of such services and shall possess the appropriate license and insurance.

C.7.2 The Contractor shall provide the Government all information required for drivers with any security clearance, accreditation, vehicle access, and licenses required to provide services under this contract.

C.7.3 Standards. Each driver shall meet minimum standards including:

1. Compliance with the requirements listed in paragraphs H.1 through H.3
2. Local knowledge - Be completely familiar with the Kenya road network so as to know alternate routes should primary route be impassable or otherwise not the best alternative at any given time
3. License - Possess a valid driver's license.
4. Drivers shall have appropriate badges to access airports, seaports, and other ports of entry and/or an ability to obtain.
5. Drivers shall be fluent in English and Kiswahili.
6. Drivers shall have experience in defensive driving and/or have an ability to obtain the skills before commencement of work.

7. Drivers shall have a minimum of three years of experience working with foreign diplomatic missions and/or law enforcement on a regular basis to include dealing with sensitive circumstances, ability to adhere to the highest standards of confidentiality, dealing with law enforcement personnel and routine transportation of government personnel from foreign missions who are unfamiliar with Kenya.

8. Drivers are expected to be trustworthy and able to pass a stringent vetting and background check process to ensure strict confidentiality in the service that will be provided.

9. Drivers are expected to be of impeccable moral character, must have no criminal convictions and have the highest personal integrity and moral standards to include abstinence of drugs use and abuse of alcoholic beverages.

C.7.4 Lodging. Lodging expenses will be reimbursed on an actual basis up to a maximum of \$13,440 per year for four (4) drivers. Drivers are expected to stay at the same hotel as the advisors. Overnight travel, requiring accommodations, will be billed and included in each month's invoice and paid accordingly. The Contractor shall make any necessary meals and incidentals provisions as these will not be reimbursed.

SECTION D - PACKAGING AND MARKING

(RESERVED)

SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

E.1 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at: Acquisition.gov this address is subject to change.

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The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clause(s) is/are incorporated by reference (48 CFR CH. 1):

<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.246-4	INSPECTION OF SERVICES – FIXED PRICE (AUG 1996)

E.2 Quality Assurance and Surveillance Plan (QASP). This plan is designed to provide an effective surveillance method to promote effective contractor performance. The QASP provides a method for the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to monitor contractor performance, advise the Contractor of unsatisfactory performance, and notify the Contracting Officer of continued unsatisfactory performance. The Contractor, not the Government, is responsible for management and quality control to meet the terms of the contract. The role of the Government is to conduct quality assurance to ensure that contract standards are achieved.

Performance Objective	PWS Para	Performance Threshold
<u>Services.</u> Performs all vehicle rental services set forth in the performance work statement (PWS)	C.1 thru C.7	All required services are performed and no more than one (1) customer complaint is received per month

E.2.1 SURVEILLANCE. The COR will receive and document all complaints from Government personnel regarding the services provided. If appropriate, the COR will send the complaints to the Contractor for corrective action.

E.2.2 STANDARD. The performance standard is that the Government receives no more than one (1) customer complaint per month. The COR shall notify the Contracting Officer of the complaints so that the Contracting Officer may take appropriate action to enforce the inspection clause (FAR 52.246-4, Inspection of Services – Fixed-Price (August 1996), if any of the services exceed the standard.

E.2.3 PROCEDURES

(a) If any Government personnel observe unacceptable services, either incomplete work or required services not being performed they should immediately contact the COR.

(b) The COR will complete appropriate documentation to record the complaint.

(c) If the COR determines the complaint is invalid, the COR will advise the complainant. The COR will retain the annotated copy of the written complaint for his/her files.

(d) If the COR determines the complaint is valid, the COR will inform the Contractor and give the Contractor additional time to correct the defect, if additional time is available. The COR shall determine how much time is reasonable.

(e) The COR shall, as a minimum, orally notify the Contractor of any valid complaints.

(f) If the Contractor disagrees with the complaint after investigation of the site and challenges the validity of the complaint, the Contractor will notify the COR. The COR will review the matter to determine the validity of the complaint.

(g) The COR will consider complaints as resolved unless notified otherwise by the complainant.

(h) Repeat customer complaints are not permitted for any services. If a repeat customer complaint is received for the same deficiency during the service period, the COR will contact the Contracting Officer for appropriate action under the Inspection clause.

SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

F.1 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.242-15	STOP WORK ORDER (AUG 1989)
52.242.17	GOVERNMENT DELAY OF WORK (APR 1984)

F.2 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The performance period of this contract is from September 29, 2020 through September 28, 2021

SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

G.1 MONITORING OF THE CONTRACTOR

G.1.1 652.242-70 CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE (COR) (AUG 1999)

(a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.

(b) The COR for this contract is the **Program Coordinator**

G.1.2 Duties

The COR is responsible for inspection and acceptance of services. These duties include review of Contractor invoices, including the supporting documentation required by the contract. The COR may provide technical advice, substantive guidance, inspections, invoice approval, and other purposes as deemed necessary under the contract.

G.2 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES

G.2.1 The Contractor shall submit original invoices electronically to the following address:

Financial Management Center
U.S. Embassy Nairobi.
Email: NairobiPayables@state.gov

Payment shall be made in local currency by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) within 30 days after receipt of the proper invoice

G.2.1.1 VALUE ADDED TAX.

VALUE ADDED TAX. Value Added Tax (VAT) is not applicable to this contract and shall not be included in the CLIN rates or Invoices because the U.S. Embassy is zero-rated for VAT.

G.2.2 Each invoice shall only include billing authorized under the contract.

G.2.3 A proper invoice shall comply with the requirements of Section I.1, FAR 52.232-25, "Prompt Payment". Additionally, each invoice shall include the following information:

(1) Contract Number;

- (2) Description, number of vehicles, monthly rate, fuel and/or lodging reimbursables (if applicable), and total amount.

G.2.4 Payment. The Government will make all payments in **Kenya Shillings**.

SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

H.1 SECURITY

H.1.1 General. The Government reserves the right to deny access to U.S.-owned and U.S.-operated facilities to any individual. The Government will run background checks on all proposed Contractor employees. The Contractor shall provide the names, biographic data and police clearance on all Contractor personnel who shall be used on this contract.

H.1.2 Time Requirements. Within five (5) days after contract award, the Contractor shall submit the following minimum number of names for drivers for the types of vehicles listed below:

<u>Type of Vehicle</u>	<u>Minimum Number of Drivers</u>
Large SUV V8 or similar	4

H.1.3 Identity Cards. The Government may issue identity cards to Contractor personnel, after they are approved. Contractor personnel shall display identify card(s) while on providing services under this contract. These identity cards are the property of the Government. The Contractor is responsible for their return at the end of the contract, when an employee leaves Contractor service, or at the request of the Government.

H.2 STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

(a) General. The Contractor shall maintain satisfactory standards of employee competency, conduct, cleanliness, appearance and integrity and shall be responsible for taking such disciplinary action with respect to employees as required. Each Contractor employee is expected to adhere to standards of conduct that reflect credit on themselves, their employer, and the United States Government. The Government reserves the right to direct the Contractor to remove an employee from the worksite for failure to comply with the standards of conduct. The Contractor shall immediately replace such an employee to maintain continuity of services at no additional cost to the Government.

(b) Clothing. The Contractor's employees shall wear clean and neat clothing. All employees shall wear accreditation (as required).

(c) Disorderly conduct, use of abusive or offensive language, quarreling, intimidation by words, actions, or fighting shall not be condoned. Also included is participation in disruptive activities that interfere with normal and efficient Government operations.

(e) Intoxicants and Narcotics. The Contractor shall not allow its employees while on duty to possess, sell, consume, or be under the influence of intoxicants, drugs or substances that produce similar effects.

(f) Criminal Actions. Contractor employees may be subject to criminal actions as allowed by law in certain circumstances. These include but are not limited to the following actions: falsification or unlawful concealment, removal, mutilation, or destruction of any official documents or records or concealment of material facts by willful omission from official documents or records; unauthorized use of Government property, theft, vandalism, or immoral conduct; unethical or improper use of official authority or credentials; security violations; and organizing or participating in gambling in any form.

H.3 PERSONNEL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All employees must be in good general health without physical disabilities that would interfere with the acceptable performance of their duties. All employees shall be free from communicable disease. They shall possess binocular vision, correctable to 20/30 (Snellen) and shall not be colorblind. They shall be capable of hearing ordinary conversation.

H.4 LAWFUL OPERATION, PERMITS, INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

(a) Bonds. The Government imposes bonding requirement on this contract. The Contractor shall provide any official bonds required, pay any fees or costs involved or related to the authorization for the equipping of any employees engaged in providing services specified under this contract if such bonds or payments are legally required by the local government or local practice.

(b) Employee Salary Benefits. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of all employee wages and benefits required by host country law or agreements with its employees. The Government, its agencies, agents, and employees shall not be part of any legal action or obligation regarding these benefits which may subsequently arise. Where local law requires bonuses, specific minimum wage levels, premium pay for holidays, payments for social security, pensions, sick or health benefits, severance payments, child care or any other benefit, the Contractor is responsible for payments of such costs and must include all such costs in the fixed prices in this contract.

(c) Personal Injury, Property Loss or Damage (Liability). The Contractor assumes absolute responsibility and liability for any and all personal injuries or death and property damage or losses suffered due to negligence of the Contractor's personnel in the performance of this contract.

The Contractor's assumption of absolute liability is independent of any insurance policies.

(d) Amount of Insurance. The Contractor is required to provide whatever insurance is legally necessary. The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance period the following insurance amounts:

General Liability minimum
(1) Bodily injury stated in Kenya Shillings:

Cumulative	Kshs. 10,000,000
(2) Property damage stated in Kenya Shillings:	
Cumulative	Kshs. 20,000,000

The types and amounts of insurance are the minimums required. The Contractor shall obtain any other types of insurance required by local law or that are ordinarily or customarily obtained in the location of the work. The limit of such insurance shall be as provided by law or sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.

The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for personal injuries or for damages to:

- (a) any property of the Contractor,
- (b) its officers,
- (c) agents,
- (d) servants,
- (e) employees, or
- (f) any other person, arising from and incident to the Contractor's performance of this contract.

The Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims arising, except in the instance of gross negligence on the part of the Government.

The Contractor shall obtain adequate insurance for damage to, or theft of, materials and equipment in insurance coverage for loose transit to the site or in storage on or off the site.

(e) Permits. Without additional cost to the Government, the Contractor shall obtain all permits, licenses, and appointments required for the prosecution of work under this contract. The Contractor shall obtain these permits, licenses, and appointments in compliance with applicable host country laws. The Contractor shall provide evidence of possession or status of application for such permits, licenses, and appointments to the Contracting Officer with its proposal. Application, justification, fees, and certifications for any licenses required by the host government are entirely the responsibility of the Contractor.

H.5 GOVERNMENT AS ADDITIONAL INSURED

The general liability policy required of the Contractor shall name "the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of State," as an additional insured with respect to operations performed under this contract.

H.6 TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE

The Contractor shall provide evidence of the insurance within five (5) days after contract award. Failure to timely submit this evidence, in a form acceptable to the Contracting Officer, may result in rescinding or termination of the contract by the Government. In addition, the Contractor shall evidence of a commitment by the insurance carrier to notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any material change, expiration or cancellation of any of the insurance policies required not less than thirty (30) days before such change, expiration or cancellation is effective. When a self-insurer provides coverage, the Contractor shall not change or decrease the coverage without the Contracting Officer's approval.

H.7 ORDERING OFFICIAL

The Contracting Officer is the designated ordering individual for this contract.

SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

I.1 FAR 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.202-1	DEFINITIONS (JUN 2020)
52.203-3	GRATUITIES (APR 1984)
52.203-5	COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES (MAY 2014)
52.203-6	RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE GOVERNMENT (JUN 2020)
52.203-8	CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (MAY 2014)
52.203-10	PRICE OR FEE ADJUSTMENT FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (MAY 2014)
52.203-12	LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (JUN 2020)
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS (JUN 2020)
52.203-19	Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017)

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- 52.253-1 COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS (JAN 1991)

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clause(s) is/are included in full text:

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I.5 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (AUG 2020)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Backhaul means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (*e.g.*, connecting cell phones/towers to the core telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (*e.g.*, microwave) or wired (*e.g.*, fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

Covered foreign country means The People's Republic of China.

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means—

(1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

(2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

(3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or

(4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Critical technology means—

(1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;

(2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled—

(i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or

(ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;

(3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);

(4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);

(5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or

(6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

Interconnection arrangements means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (*e.g.*, connection of a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

Reasonable inquiry means an inquiry designed to uncover any information in the entity's possession about the identity of the producer or provider of covered telecommunications equipment or services used by the entity that excludes the need to include an internal or third-party audit.

Roaming means cellular communications services (*e.g.*, voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

(b) *Prohibition.* (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. The Contractor is prohibited from providing to the Government any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR 4.2104.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract, or extending or renewing a contract, with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR 4.2104. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract.

(c) *Exceptions.* This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(1) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(d) *Reporting requirement.* (1) In the event the Contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the Contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the Contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the Contracting Officer, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information; in the case of the Department of Defense, the Contractor shall report to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>. For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer for the indefinite delivery contract and the Contracting Officer(s) for any affected order or, in the case of the Department of Defense, identify both the indefinite delivery contract and any affected orders in the report provided at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:

(i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the Contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) *Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e) and excluding paragraph (b)(2), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items.

(End of clause)

I.6 52.229-12 TAX ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PROCUREMENTS (JUN 2020)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

United States person, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30), means—

- (1) A citizen or resident of the United States;
 - (2) A domestic partnership;
 - (3) A domestic corporation;
 - (4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(31));
- and

(5) Any trust if—

(i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and

(ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

(b) This clause applies only to foreign persons. It implements 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.

(c)(1) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has only a partial or no exemption to the withholding, the Contractor shall include the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, with each voucher or invoice submitted under this contract throughout the period in which this status is applicable. The excise tax withholding is applied at the payment level, not at the contract level. The Contractor should revise each IRS Form W-14 submission to reflect the exemption (if any) that applies to that particular invoice, such as a different exemption applying. In the absence of a completed IRS Form W-14 accompanying a payment request, the default withholding percentage is 2 percent for the section 5000C withholding for that payment request. Information about IRS Form W-14 and its separate instructions is available via the internet at www.irs.gov/w14.

<https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-w-14>

<https://www.irs.gov/instructions/iw14>

(2) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has indicated in its offer in the provision 52.229-11, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice and Representation, that it is fully exempt from the withholding, and certified the full exemption on the IRS Form W-14, and if that full exemption no longer applies due to a change in circumstances during the performance of the contract that causes the Contractor to become subject to the withholding for the 2 percent excise tax then the Contractor shall—

(i) Notify the Contracting Officer within 30 days of a change in circumstances that causes the Contractor to be subject to the excise tax withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C; and

(ii) Comply with paragraph (c)(1) of this clause.

(d) The Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment unless the Contractor claims an exemption. If the Contractor enters a ratio in Line 12 of the IRS Form W-14, the result of Line 11 divided by Line 10, the Government will withhold from each payment an amount equal to 2 percent multiplied by the contract ratio. If the Contractor marks box 9 of the IRS Form W-14 (rather than completes Lines 10 through 12), Contractor must identify and enter the specific exempt and nonexempt amounts in Line 15 of the IRS Form W-14; the Government will then withhold 2 percent only from the nonexempt amount. See the IRS Form W-14 and its instructions.

(e) Exemptions from the withholding under this clause are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue.

(f) Taxes imposed under 26 U.S.C. 5000C may not be—

(1) Included in the contract price; nor

(2) Reimbursed.

(g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to <https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions>.

(End of clause)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE ACQUISITION REGULATION (DOSAR) CLAUSES:

I.7 DOSAR FULL TEXT CLAUSES

CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION (JULY 2008)

Contract performance may require contractor personnel to attend meetings with government personnel and the public, work within government offices, and/or utilize government email.

Contractor personnel must take the following actions to identify themselves as non-federal employees:

- 1) Use an email signature block that shows name, the office being supported and company affiliation (e.g. “John Smith, Office of Human Resources, ACME Corporation Support Contractor”);

- 2) Clearly identify themselves and their contractor affiliation in meetings;
- 3) Identify their contractor affiliation in Departmental e-mail and phone listings whenever contractor personnel are included in those listings; and
- 4) Contractor personnel may not utilize Department of State logos or indicia on business cards.

(End of clause)

652.225-71 SECTION 8(A) OF THE EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT OF 1979
as amended (AUG 1999)

(a) Section 8(a) of the U.S. Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 2407(a)), prohibits compliance by U.S. persons with any boycott fostered by a foreign country against a country which is friendly to the United States and which is not itself the object of any form of boycott pursuant to United States law or regulation. The Boycott of Israel by Arab League countries is such a boycott, and therefore, the following actions, if taken with intent to comply with, further, or support the Arab League Boycott of Israel, are prohibited activities under the Export Administration Act:

(1) Refusing, or requiring any U.S. person to refuse to do business with or in Israel, with any Israeli business concern, or with any national or resident of Israel, or with any other person, pursuant to an agreement of, or a request from or on behalf of a boycotting country;

(2) Refusing, or requiring any U.S. person to refuse to employ or otherwise discriminating against any person on the basis of race, religion, sex, or national origin of that person or of any owner, officer, director, or employee of such person;

(3) Furnishing information with respect to the race, religion, or national origin of any U.S. person or of any owner, officer, director, or employee of such U.S. person;

(4) Furnishing information about whether any person has, has had, or proposes to have any business relationship (including a relationship by way of sale, purchase, legal or commercial representation, shipping or other transport, insurance, investment, or supply) with or in the State of Israel, with any business concern organized under the laws of the State of Israel, with any Israeli national or resident, or with any person which is known or believed to be restricted from having any business relationship with or in Israel;

(5) Furnishing information about whether any person is a member of, has made contributions to, or is otherwise associated with or involved in the activities of any charitable or fraternal organization which supports the State of Israel; and,

(6) Paying, honoring, confirming, or otherwise implementing a letter of credit which contains any condition or requirement against doing business with the State of Israel.

(b) Under Section 8(a), the following types of activities are not forbidden "compliance with the boycott," and are therefore exempted from Section 8(a)'s prohibitions listed in paragraphs (a)(1)-(6) above:

(1) Complying or agreeing to comply with requirements:

(i) Prohibiting the import of goods or services from Israel or goods produced or services provided by any business concern organized under the laws of Israel or by nationals or residents of Israel; or,

(ii) Prohibiting the shipment of goods to Israel on a carrier of Israel, or by a route other than that prescribed by the boycotting country or the recipient of the shipment;

(2) Complying or agreeing to comply with import and shipping document requirements with respect to the country of origin, the name of the carrier and route of shipment, the name of the supplier of the shipment or the name of the provider of other services, except that no information knowingly furnished or conveyed in response to such requirements may be stated in negative, blacklisting, or similar exclusionary terms, other than with respect to carriers or route of shipments as may be permitted by such regulations in order to comply with precautionary requirements protecting against war risks and confiscation;

(3) Complying or agreeing to comply in the normal course of business with the unilateral and specific selection by a boycotting country, or national or resident thereof, of carriers, insurance, suppliers of services to be performed within the boycotting country or specific goods which, in the normal course of business, are identifiable by source when imported into the boycotting country;

(4) Complying or agreeing to comply with the export requirements of the boycotting country relating to shipments or transshipments of exports to Israel, to any business concern of or organized under the laws of Israel, or to any national or resident of Israel;

(5) Compliance by an individual or agreement by an individual to comply with the immigration or passport requirements of any country with respect to such individual or any member of such individual's family or with requests for information regarding requirements of employment of such individual within the boycotting country; and,

(6) Compliance by a U.S. person resident in a foreign country or agreement by such person to comply with the laws of that country with respect to his or her activities exclusively therein, and such regulations may contain exceptions for such resident complying with the laws or regulations of that foreign country governing imports into such country of trademarked, trade named, or similarly specifically identifiable products, or components of products for his or her own use, including the performance of contractual services within that country, as may be defined by such regulations.

(End of clause)

652.229-71 PERSONAL PROPERTY DISPOSITION AT POSTS ABROAD (AUG 1999)

Regulations at 22 CFR Part 136 require that U.S. Government employees and their families do not profit personally from sales or other transactions with persons who are not

themselves entitled to exemption from import restrictions, duties, or taxes. Should the Contractor experience importation or tax privileges in a foreign country because of its contractual relationship to the United States Government, the Contractor shall observe the requirements of 22 CFR Part 136 and all policies, rules, and procedures issued by the chief of mission in that foreign country.

(End of clause)

652.242-73 AUTHORIZATION AND PERFORMANCE (AUG 1999)

(a) The Contractor warrants the following:

(1) That is has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;

(2) That is has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,

(3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.

(b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

(End of clause)

652.243-70 NOTICES (AUG 1999)

Any notice or request relating to this contract given by either party to the other shall be in writing. Said notice or request shall be mailed or delivered by hand to the other party at the address provided in the schedule of the contract. All modifications to the contract must be made in writing by the Contracting Officer.

652.229-70 EXCISE TAX EXEMPTION STATEMENT FOR CONTRACTORS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (JUL 1988)

This is to certify that the item(s) covered by this contract is/are for export solely for the use of the U.S. Foreign Service Post identified in the contract schedule.

The Contractor shall use a photocopy of this contract as evidence of intent to export. Final proof of exportation may be obtained from the agent handling the shipment. Such proof shall be accepted in lieu of payment of excise tax.

(End of clause)

SECTION J - LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

J.1 LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

EXHIBIT A – RESERVED

EXHIBIT B – RESERVED

EXHIBIT C - CONTRACTOR FURNISHED PROPERTY

EXHIBIT C - CONTRACTOR FURNISHED PROPERTY

The Contractor shall provide all vehicles, communication equipment (radios, cellular phones, pagers), or administrative items required for performance under this contract. The Contractor shall maintain sufficient spare equipment/parts for all Contractor furnished materials to ensure uninterrupted provision of services as required by the contract.

PART IV: REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS
SECTION K - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER
STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

K.1 52.203-2 CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (APR 1985)

(a) The offeror certifies that -

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit an offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory -

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or

(2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above

_____ [insert full name of person(s)
in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal,
and the title of his or her position in the offeror's organization];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

(c) If the offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)(2) above, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

K.2 52.203-11 CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (SEP 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision – “Lobbying contact” has the meaning provided at 2 USC 1602(8). The terms “agency”, “influencing or attempting to influence”, “officer or employee of an agency”, “person”, “reasonable compensation”, and “regularly employed” are defined in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (52.203-12).

(b) Prohibition. The prohibition and exceptions contained in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled “Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions” (52.203-12) are hereby incorporated by reference in this provision.

(c) Certification. The offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress on its behalf in connection with the awarding of this contract.

(d) Disclosure. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contract on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its officer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(e) Penalty. Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by 31 USC 1352. Any persons who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure required to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$150,000, for each failure.

(End of provision)

K.3 52.203-18 Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements – Representation (JAN 2017)

K.4. 52.204-3 TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION (OCT 1998)

(a) Definitions.

"Common parent", as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member.

"Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)", as used in this provision, means the number required by the IRS to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(b) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (d) through (f) of this provision in order to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325 (d), reporting requirements of 26 USC 6041, 6041A, and 6050M and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). If the resulting contract is subject to the reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the failure or refusal by the offeror to furnish the information may result in a 31 percent reduction of payments otherwise due under the contract.

(c) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 USC 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(d) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

TIN:	
	TIN has been applied for
	TIN is not required because:
	Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the U.S.
	Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government
	Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government

(e) Type of Organization

	Sole Proprietorship
	Partnership
	Corporate Entity (not tax exempt)
	Corporate Entity (tax exempt)
	Government entity (Federal, State or local)
	Foreign Government
	International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4
	Other:

(f) Common Parent

	Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (a) of this clause.
	Name and TIN of common parent
Name	
TIN	

(End of provision)

K.5 FAR 52.204-8 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (MAR 2020)

(a) (1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is **532111**.

(2) The small business size standard is **\$38.5 million dollars**.

(3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b) (1) If the provision at [52.204-7](#), System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.

(2) If the provision at [52.204-7](#), System for Award Management, is not included in this solicitation, and the Offeror has an active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM), the Offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The Offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:

(i) Paragraph (d) applies.

(ii) Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c)

(1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:

(i) [52.203-2](#), Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment is contemplated, unless—

(A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in [part 13](#);

(B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or

(C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.

(ii) [52.203-11](#), Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.

(iii) [52.203-18](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(iv) [52.204-3](#), Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include the provision at [52.204-7](#), System for Award Management.

(v) [52.204-5](#), Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that-

(A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;

(B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and

(C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(vi) [52.204-26](#), Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(vii) [52.209-2](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation.

(viii) [52.209-5](#), Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(ix) [52.209-11](#), Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(x) [52.214-14](#), Place of Performance-Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(xi) [52.215-6](#), Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(xii) [52.219-1](#), Small Business Program Representations (Basic, Alternates I, and II). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.

(B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.

(C) The provision with its Alternate II applies to solicitations that will result in a multiple-award contract with more than one NAICS code assigned.

(xiii) [52.219-2](#), Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(xiv) [52.222-22](#), Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity.

(xv) [52.222-25](#), Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity.

(xvi) [52.222-38](#), Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.

(xvii) [52.223-1](#), Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA–designated items; or include the clause at [52.223-2](#), Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.

(xviii) [52.223-4](#), Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA–designated items.

(xix) [52.223-22](#), Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals-Representation. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at [52.204-7](#).)

(xx) [52.225-2](#), Buy American Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at [52.225-1](#).

(xxi) [52.225-4](#), Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at [52.225-3](#).

(A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.

(B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.

(C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$83,099, the provision with its Alternate II applies.

(D) If the acquisition value is \$83,099 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.

(xxii) [52.225-6](#), Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at [52.225-5](#).

(xxiii) [52.225-20](#), Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan-Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxiv) [52.225-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran-Representation and Certifications. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxv) [52.226-2](#), Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions.

(2) The following representations or certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

___ (i) [52.204-17](#), Ownership or Control of Offeror.

___ (ii) [52.204-20](#), Predecessor of Offeror.

___ (iii) [52.222-18](#), Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products.

___ (iv) [52.222-48](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Certification.

__ (v) [52.222-52](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Certification.

__ (vi) [52.223-9](#), with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only).

__ (vii) [52.227-6](#), Royalty Information.

____ (A) Basic.

____ (B) Alternate I.

__ (viii) [52.227-15](#), Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM website accessed through <https://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing the SAM information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR [4.1201](#)); except for the changes identified below [*offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date*]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR Clause #	Title	Date	Change

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on SAM

(End of provision)

K.6 52.209-5 CERTIFICATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (OCT 2015)

- (a) (1) The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that --
- (i) The Offeror and/or any of its Principals --

- (A) Are are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
- (B) Have have not , within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property (if offeror checks “have”, the offeror shall also see 52.209-7, if included in this solicitation); and
- (C) Are are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision; and
- (D) Have , have not , within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds \$3,500 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(1) Federal taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

(i) *The tax liability is finally determined.* The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.

(ii) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment.* A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(2) Examples.

(i) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(ii) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(iii) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

(iv) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. 362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

(ii) The Offeror has has not , within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any Federal agency.

(2) “Principal,” for the purposes of this certification, means an officer; director; owner; partner; or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity

(e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions).

This Certification Concerns a Matter Within the Jurisdiction of an Agency of the United States and the Making of a False, Fictitious, or Fraudulent Certification May Render the Maker Subject to Prosecution Under Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code.

(b) The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Contracting Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) A certification that any of the items in paragraph (a) of this provision exists will not necessarily result in withholding of an award under this solicitation. However, the certification will be considered in connection with a determination of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish a certification or provide such additional information as requested by the Contracting Officer may render the Offeror non-responsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

(End of provision)

K.7. 52.209-13 VIOLATION OF ARMS CONTROL TREATIES OR AGREEMENTS – CERTIFICATION (JUN 2018)

(a) This provision does not apply to acquisitions below the simplified acquisition threshold or to acquisitions of commercial items as defined at FAR 2.101.

(b) *Certification. [Offeror shall check either (1) or (2).]*

_____ (1) The Offeror certifies that—

(i) It does not engage and has not engaged in any activity that contributed to or was a significant factor in the President's or Secretary of State's determination that a foreign country is in violation of its obligations undertaken in any arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. The determinations are described in the most recent unclassified annual report provided to Congress pursuant to section 403 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2593a). The report is available via the internet at <https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/>; and

(ii) No entity owned or controlled by the Offeror has engaged in any activity that contributed to or was a significant factor in the President's or Secretary of State's determination that a foreign

country is in violation of its obligations undertaken in any arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. The determinations are described in the most recent unclassified annual report provided to Congress pursuant to section 403 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2593a). The report is available via the internet at <https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/>; or

_____ (2) The Offeror is providing separate information with its offer in accordance with paragraph (d)(2) of this provision.

(c) Procedures for reviewing the annual unclassified report (see paragraph (b)(1) of this provision). For clarity, references to the report in this section refer to the entirety of the annual unclassified report, including any separate reports that are incorporated by reference into the annual unclassified report.

(1) Check the table of contents of the annual unclassified report and the country section headings of the reports incorporated by reference to identify the foreign countries listed there. Determine whether the Offeror or any person owned or controlled by the Offeror may have engaged in any activity related to one or more of such foreign countries.

(2) If there may have been such activity, review all findings in the report associated with those foreign countries to determine whether or not each such foreign country was determined to be in violation of its obligations undertaken in an arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or to be not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. For clarity, in the annual report an explicit certification of non-compliance is equivalent to a determination of violation. However, the following statements in the annual report are not equivalent to a determination of violation:

(i) An inability to certify compliance.

(ii) An inability to conclude compliance.

(iii) A statement about compliance concerns.

(3) If so, determine whether the Offeror or any person owned or controlled by the Offeror has engaged in any activity that contributed to or is a significant factor in the determination in the report that one or more of these foreign countries is in violation of its obligations undertaken in an arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. Review the narrative for any such findings reflecting a determination of violation or non-adherence related to those foreign countries in the report, including the finding itself, and to the extent necessary, the conduct giving rise to the compliance or adherence concerns, the analysis of compliance or adherence concerns, and efforts to resolve compliance or adherence concerns.

(4) The Offeror may submit any questions with regard to this report by email to NDAA1290Cert@state.gov. To the extent feasible, the Department of State will respond to such email inquiries within 3 business days.

(d) Do not submit an offer unless—

(1) A certification is provided in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision and submitted with the offer;
or

(2) In accordance with paragraph (b)(2) of this provision, the Offeror provides with its offer information that the President of the United States has—

(i) Waived application under U.S.C. 2593e(d) or (e); or

(ii) Determined under 22 U.S.C. 2593e(g)(2) that the entity has ceased all activities for which measures were imposed under 22 U.S.C.2593e(b).

(e) *Remedies.* The certification in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly submitted a false certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, such as suspension or debarment, the Contracting Officer may terminate any contract resulting from the false certification.

(End of provision)

K.8 AUTHORIZED CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

If the offeror does not fill-in the blanks below, the official who signed the offer will be deemed to be the offeror's representative for contract administration, which includes all matters pertaining to payments.

Name:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	

K.9. 652.225-70 ARAB LEAGUE BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL (AUG 1999)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person as defined below.

United States person means any United States resident or national (other than an individual resident outside the United States and employed by other than a United States person), any domestic concern (including any permanent domestic establishment of any foreign concern), and any foreign subsidiary or affiliate (including any permanent foreign establishment) of any domestic concern which is controlled in fact by such domestic concern, as provided under the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended.

(b) Certification. By submitting this offer, the offeror certifies that it is not:

(1) Taking or knowingly agreeing to take any action, with respect to the boycott of Israel by Arab League countries, which Section 8(a) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 2407(a)) prohibits a United States person from taking; or,

(2) Discriminating in the award of subcontracts on the basis of religion.

K.10 RESERVED

K.11 52.225-20 PROHIBITION ON CONDUCTING RESTRICTED BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN SUDAN—CERTIFICATION (AUG 2009)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

“Business operations” means engaging in commerce in any form, including by acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property, real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

“Marginalized populations of Sudan” means—

(1) Adversely affected groups in regions authorized to receive assistance under section 8(c) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 109-344) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note); and

(2) Marginalized areas in Northern Sudan described in section 4(9) of such Act.

“Restricted business operations” means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person conducting the business can demonstrate—

(1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;

(2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;

(3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;

(4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;

(5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or

(6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

(b) *Certification.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that it does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(End of provision)

K.12 52.209-2 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH INVERTED DOMESTIC CORPORATIONS REPRESENTATION (NOV 2015)

(a) Definitions. “Inverted domestic corporation” and “subsidiary” have the meaning given in the clause of this contract entitled Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations ([52.209-10](#)).

(b) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at [9.108-2\(b\)](#) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at [9.108-4](#).

(c) Representation. The Offeror represents that.

(1) It is, is not an inverted domestic corporation; and

(2) It is, is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

K.13 The following provision is included in full text:

52.204-24 REPRESENTATION REGARDING CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SUVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (AUG 2020)

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it “does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument” in the provision at 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v) of the provision at 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision-

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *Prohibition.* (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services.”

(d) *Representations.* The Offeror represents that—

(1) It will, will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds “will” in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It does, does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds “does” in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(e) *Disclosures.* (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded “will” in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded “does” in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

K.14 52.229-11 TAX ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PROCUREMENTS—NOTICE AND REPRESENTATION
(JUN 2020)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

Specified Federal procurement payment means any payment made pursuant to a contract with a foreign contracting party that is for goods, manufactured or produced, or services provided in a foreign country that is not a party to an international procurement agreement with the United States. For purposes of the prior sentence, a foreign country does not include an outlying area.

United States person as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30) means—

(1) A citizen or resident of the United States;

(2) A domestic partnership;

(3) A domestic corporation;

(4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 701(a)(31)); and

(5) Any trust if—

(i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and

(ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

(b) Unless exempted, there is a 2 percent tax of the amount of a specified Federal procurement payment on any foreign person receiving such payment. See 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.

(c) Exemptions from withholding under this provision are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). The Offeror would claim an exemption from the withholding by using the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, available via the internet at www.irs.gov/w14. Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C

tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue. The IRS Form W-14 is provided to the acquiring agency rather than to the IRS.

(d) For purposes of withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C, the Offeror represents that—

(1) It [] is [] is not a foreign person; and

(2) If the Offeror indicates “is” in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then the Offeror represents that—I am claiming on the IRS Form W-14 [] a full exemption, or [] partial or no exemption [*Offeror shall select one*] from the excise tax.

(e) If the Offeror represents it is a foreign person in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then—

(1) The clause at FAR 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, will be included in any resulting contract; and

(2) The Offeror shall submit with its offer the IRS Form W-14. If the IRS Form W-14 is not submitted with the offer, exemptions will not be applied to any resulting contract and the Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment.

(f) If the Offeror selects “is” in paragraph (d)(1) and “partial or no exemption” in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror will be subject to withholding in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, in any resulting contract.

(g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. **For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to <https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions>.**

(End of provision)

K.15 The following provision is incorporated by reference:

52.225-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OR TRANSACTIONS RELATING TO IRAN— REPRESENTATION AND CERTIFICATIONS (JUN 2020)

PART IV
SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

The Offeror shall include Defense Base Act (DBA) insurance premium costs covering employees. The offeror may obtain DBA insurance directly from any Department of Labor approved providers at the DOL website at <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/lscarrier.htm>

L.1 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

L.1.1 General. This solicitation is for the performance of the services described in Section C - PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT, and the Exhibits attached to this solicitation.

L.1.1.1 Summary of Instructions. Each offer must consist of the following:

L.1.2. A completed solicitation, in which the SF-33 cover page (blocks 12 through 18, as appropriate), and Sections B and K have been filled out.

L.1.2.1 QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFERORS

Offerors must be technically qualified and financially responsible to perform the work described in this solicitation. At a minimum, each Offeror must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Have an established business with a permanent address and telephone listing;
- (2) Be able to demonstrate prior experience, in accordance with the statement of work, and provide suitable references;
- (3) Have the necessary personnel, equipment and financial resources available to perform the work;

The 4 vehicles must meet or exceed the following specifications;

- a. Large SUV V8 or Similar
- b. Year of Manufacture not earlier than 2014
- c. Length minimum 4900mm; height minimum 1900mm and ground clearance minimum 230mm
- d. Steering right-hand drive
- e. Engine displacement 4400 to 4800 cc
- f. Peak power minimum 230 HP
- g. Peak torque minimum 600 Nm

- h. Fuel tank capacity minimum 130 liters
- i. Number of doors 5
- j. Front suspension double wishbone
- k. Rear suspense 4-link type
- l. Front and rear brake discs
- m. Capacity to seat six (6) occupants
- n. Electrics (volts) 12; speedometer km/h
- o. Air conditioning auto; cool box
- p. Anti-lock braking system, power steering
- q. Spare wheel mounted under body
- r. 2 DIN radio, 4 speakers with AUX, CD, USB
- s. Air Bag System: Dual stage/Drivers set
- t. Anti-theft system: alarm & immobilizer vehicle stability control, electronic brake force
- u. Front heavy-duty bull bar with 12 V electric winch and spotlight
- v. Rear steel bumper

- (3) Vehicles must be in excellent serviceable condition. Vehicle cannot have reflective or distinctive markings.
- (4) Offeror shall maintain vehicles in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.
- (5) Vehicles and drivers shall have appropriate badges to access airports, seaports, and other ports of entry and/or an ability to obtain.
- (6) Offeror shall ensure drivers are qualified and licensed to operate vehicles in Kenya.
- (7) Offeror shall provide assurance of proper vehicle and driver liability insurance.
- (8) Offeror is expected to provide a maintenance plan that includes road rescue and replacement vehicle arrangements.
- (9) Offeror shall provide a dedicated project manager to address all related logistics and any necessary support staff.
- (10) Offeror shall provide bilingual with fluency in English and Kiswahili and must be able to understand written English and Kiswahili.
- (11) This requirement will be assessed by our technical panel.
- (12) Offeror shall provide drivers with experience in defensive driving and/or have an ability to obtain the skills.
- (13) The Offeror shall provide drivers with a minimum of three years of experience working with foreign diplomatic missions and/or law enforcement on a regular basis to include dealing with sensitive circumstances, ability to adhere to the

highest standards of confidentiality, dealing with law enforcement personnel and routine transportation of government personnel from foreign missions who are unfamiliar with Kenya

- (14) The Offeror shall have all licenses and permits required by local law.
- (15) The Offeror must have no adverse criminal record and will be required to provide a certificate of good conduct for each driver
- (16) The Offeror must have no political or business affiliation which could be considered contrary to the interests of the United States; and

L.2 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

L.2.1 General

This solicitation is for the performance of the services described in Section C and the Exhibits which are a part of this solicitation.

L.2.2 Summary of Instructions

Each offer must consist of the following physically separate volumes:

<u>Volume</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>No. of Copies*</u>
1	Executed Standard Form 1449, "Solicitation, Offer and Award," and completed Section K – "Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Offerors"	1
2	Financial (Price) Proposal and completed Section B – "Supplies or Services and Prices/Costs"	1
3	Technical Proposal	2

* The total number of copies includes the original as one of the copies.

The complete offer shall be submitted at the address indicated at Block 7 of Standard Form (SF) 33, if mailed, or the address set forth below, if hand delivered (if this is left blank, the address is the same as that in Block 7 of SF 33).

Any deviations, exceptions, or conditional assumptions taken with respect to any of the instructions or requirements of this solicitation shall be identified and explained/justified in the appropriate volume of the offer.

L.2.3 Closing Date. The complete offer shall be received by the U.S. Embassy Nairobi located at the address indicated on the solicitation cover page, no later than September 15, 2020 10 a.m.

L.2.4 Detailed Instructions

- (1) Volume I: Standard Form (SF) 33 and Section K. Complete blocks 12 through 18 of the SF 33 and all of Section K.
- (2) Volume II: Financial (Price) proposal and Section B. The price proposal shall consist of completion of Section B
- (3) Volume III: Technical Proposal.

- (a) Management Information – Provide the following:
 - (1) Company profile including a list of names, addresses and telephone numbers of the owners, partners, and principal officers of the Offeror;
 - (2) A list of key management personnel and their profiles;
 - (3) A list of types, models, year made of vehicles to be provided;
 - (4) A list of communication equipment;
 - (5) Sources/ownership of vehicles provided and drivers provided – Vehicle ownership (such as company owned with employed drivers, owner-operated, subcontracted to your organization, etc.)

- (b) Experience and Past Performance - List all contracts and subcontracts your company has held over the past three years for the same or similar work. Provide the following information for each contract and subcontract:
 - (1) Customer's name, address, and telephone numbers of customer's lead contract and technical personnel;
 - (2) Contract number and type;
 - (3) Date of the contract award place(s) of performance, and completion dates;
 - (4) Contract dollar value;
 - (5) Brief description of the work, including responsibilities;
 - (6) Comparability to the work under this solicitation;
 - (7) Brief discussion of any major technical problems and their resolution;
 - (8) Method of acquisition (fully competitive, partially competitive, or noncompetitive), and the basis for award (cost/price, technical merit, etc.);
 - (9) Any terminations (partial or complete) and the reason (convenience or default).

L.2.5 In accordance with H.6, Certificate of Insurance, offeror shall either provide:

- (a) a copy of the Certificate of Insurance, or
- (b) a statement that the Contractor will get the required insurance, and the name of the insurance provider to be used.

The complete offer shall be submitted at the address indicated at Block 7, if mailed, or Block 9, if hand delivered, of Standard Form 33, "Solicitation, Offeror and Award."

Any deviations, exceptions, or conditional assumptions taken with respect to any of the instructions or requirements of this solicitation shall be identified and explained/justified in the appropriate volume of the offer.

L.3 PROPRIETARY DATA

The offeror will identify proprietary data by page(s), paragraph(s) and sentence(s), and shall not generalize.

L.4 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at Acquisition.gov this address is subject to change.

If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the location indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at e-CFR to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet "search engine" (for example, Google, Yahoo or Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation solicitation provision(s) is/are incorporated by reference (48 CFR CH. 1):

<u>PROVISION</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.204-7	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (OCT 2018)
52.204-16	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING (JUL 2016)
52.214-34	SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991)
52.215-1	INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION* (JAN 2004)

52.237-1 SITE VISIT (APR 1984)

* Offerors are reminded that this provision states that the Government may award a contract based on initial proposals, without holding discussions.

L.5 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCLUDED IN FULL TEXT

52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a fixed price contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of provision)

52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

(a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from NairobiGSO-Contracts@state.gov.

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of provision)

L.6. 652.206-70 Advocate for Competition/Ombudsman.

As prescribed in 606.570, insert the following provision:

ADVOCATE FOR COMPETITION/OMBUDSMAN (FEB 2015)

(a) The Department of State's Advocate for Competition is responsible for assisting industry in removing restrictive requirements from Department of State solicitations and removing barriers to full and open competition and use of commercial items. If such a solicitation is considered competitively restrictive or does not appear properly conducive to competition and commercial practices, potential offerors are encouraged first to contact the contracting office for the solicitation. If concerns remain unresolved, contact:

(1) For solicitations issued by the Office of Acquisition Management (A/LM/AQM) or a Regional Procurement Support Office, the A/LM/AQM Advocate for Competition, at AQMCompetitionAdvocate@state.gov.

(2) For all others, the Department of State Advocate for Competition at cat@state.gov.

(b) The Department of State's Acquisition Ombudsman has been appointed to hear concerns from potential offerors and contractors during the pre-award and post-award phases of this acquisition. The role of the ombudsman is not to diminish the authority of the contracting officer, the Technical Evaluation Panel or Source Evaluation Board, or the selection official. The purpose of the ombudsman is to facilitate the communication of concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations of interested parties to the appropriate Government personnel, and work to resolve them. When requested and appropriate, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of formal contract disputes. Interested parties are invited to contact the contracting activity ombudsman, Kathleen Lively, at 020-363 6000 . For an American Embassy or overseas post, refer to the numbers below for the Department Acquisition Ombudsman. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations which cannot be resolved at a contracting activity level may be referred to the Department of State Acquisition Ombudsman at (703) 516-1696 or write to: Department of State, Acquisition Ombudsman, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 1060, SA-15, Washington, DC 20520.

(End of provision)

L.7 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

If asked by the Contracting Officer, the offeror shall provide a current statement of its financial condition, certified by a third party that includes:

Income (profit-loss) Statement that shows profitability for the past two years;

Balance Sheet that shows the assets owned and the claims against those assets, or what a firm owns and what it owes; and

Cash Flow Statement that shows the firm's sources and uses of cash during the most recent accounting period. This will help the Government assess a firm's ability to pay its obligations.

The Government will use this information to determine the offeror's financial responsibility and ability to perform under the contract. Failure of an offeror to comply with a request for this information may cause the Government to determine the offeror to be non-responsible.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

M.1 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

M.1.1 General. To be acceptable and eligible for evaluation, proposals must be prepared in accordance with Section L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS, and must meet all the requirements set forth in the other sections of this solicitation. The Government will make an initial review of proposals to determine compliance with these instructions. The Government may determine an offeror to be unacceptable and exclude it from further consideration for failure to comply with Section L.

M.1.2 Basis for Award

The Government intends to award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the lowest priced, technically acceptable offeror who is a responsible contractor. The evaluation process will follow the procedures below:

a) Initial Evaluation

The Government will evaluate all proposals received will be evaluated to ensure that each proposal is complete in terms of submission of each required volume, as specified in Section L. The Government may eliminate proposals that are missing required information.

b) Technical Acceptability

The Government will thoroughly review those proposals remaining after the initial evaluation to determine technical acceptability. The Government will review Technical Acceptability by reviewing information submitted as part of the technical proposal required by Section L, including a review of the offeror's proposed project manager to ensure that she or he is acceptable to the Government. The Government may also review past references provided as part of the Experience and Past Performance information as described in Section L to verify quality of past performance.

c) Responsibility

The Government will determine responsibility by analyzing whether the apparent successful offeror complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:

- (1) adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
- (2) ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
- (3) satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;

- (4) necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
- (5) necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
- (6) otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price. Unsuccessful offerors will be notified following FAR 15.503.

M.2 Reserved

M.3 PRICE EVALUATION

For the purpose of evaluation, and for no other purpose, the Government will evaluate prices submitted on the basis that the Government will require the estimated quantities shown in Section B of this solicitation.

M.4 SEPARATE CHARGES

Separate charges, in any form, are not solicited. For example, any charges for failure to exercise an option are unacceptable.