



Embassy of the United States of America  
Doha, Qatar  
July 23, 2024

**SUBJECT: WAREHOUSE MOVING SERVICES**

**REFERENCE: REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) NUMBER 19QA1024Q0031**

The Embassy of the United States of America invites you to submit a quotation to provide warehouse moving services to support warehouse operations at U.S Embassy Doha, Qatar.

The Embassy doesn't intend to conduct a pre-quotation conference at the site, all prospective offerors/quoters should send their questions to [DohaProcurement@state.gov](mailto:DohaProcurement@state.gov) on or before **July 30, 2024**, for additional questions.

For a quotation to be considered, you must also complete and submit the following:

1. Pages 2-3: SF-1449 Section 1, Block 23
2. Pages 6-7: Continuation to SF 1449
3. Pages 35- 39: Solicitation Provisions - Section 3
4. Pages 42-69: Representations and Certifications in Section 5.

Bidders must register in the System for Award Management (SAM) prior to submission. Registration information is available at <https://sam.gov/content/home>. As registration may be a lengthy process, interested bidders should initiate the registration as soon as possible. The resultant SAM number must be provided with the proposal submission.

The U.S. Government intends to award a purchase order to the responsible company submitting an acceptable quotation at the lowest price. We intend to award a 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.

Interested bidders should send their quotation by email to [DohaProcurement@state.gov](mailto:DohaProcurement@state.gov) on or **before 09:00 a.m. August 14, 2024.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Wright".

Charles Wright  
Contracting Officer

<b>SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS</b> <i>OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, &amp; 30</i>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER <b>PR1246706</b>		PAGE 2 OF 69	
2. CONTRACT NO.		3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE		4. ORDER NUMBER		5. SOLICITATION NUMBER <b>19QA1024Q0031</b>	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL		a. NAME <b>Mohamed Basheer Procurement &amp; Contracting Specialist</b>				b. TELEPHONE NUMBER(No collect calls) <b>+974-4496-6703</b>	
9. ISSUED BY <b>U.S Embassy 22<sup>nd</sup> February Street Al Luqta District P.O Box 2399 Doha, Qatar</b>		CODE QA100		10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: % FOR <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS  <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS  <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A)  NAICS: 454311 SIZE STD: \$9 million		11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE  <input type="checkbox"/> 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)  13b. RATING  14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFO <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP	
15. DELIVER TO See Block 9		CODE		16. ADMINISTERED BY			
17a. CONTRACTOR/ OFFEROR		CODE QA		FACILITY		18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY <b>Financial Management Office (FMO) U.S Embassy 22<sup>nd</sup> February Street Al Luqta District</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER				18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM			
19. ITEM NO. <b>001</b>		20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES <b>WAREHOUSE MOVING SERVICES</b>  <i>See continuation of block 20 on section 1 - SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES</i>  (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)				21. QUANTITY 12	
						22. UNIT month	
						23. UNIT PRICE	
						24. AMOUNT	
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA						26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.							
<input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT							
<input type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>  2  </u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.					<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:		
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 (Type or Print)		31c. DATE SIGNED	
				31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or Print)			

19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT

32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN

RECEIVED     INSPECTED     ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED: \_\_\_\_\_

32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		32c. DATE	32d. PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			
32e. MAILING ADDRESS OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			32f. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			
			32g. E-MAIL OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			
PARTIAL	FINAL	34. VOUCHER NUMBER	35. AMOUNT VERIFIED CORRECT FOR	36. PAYMENT		37. CHECK NUMBER
33. SHIP NUMBER		39. S/R VOUCHER NO.		<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/>		
38. S/R ACCOUNT NO.		40. PAID BY 41c. DATE		42a. RECEIVED BY (PRINT)		
41.a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR 41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING				42c. DATE REC'D (YY/MM/DD) 42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)		42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

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CONTINUATION TO SF-1449  
RFQ [19QA1024Q0031]  
SECTION 1 - THE SCHEDULE  
PRICES, BLOCK 23  
INDEFINITE DELIVERY/INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT

NOTE: Add the below to the SF-1449:

1. PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT

- a. For each year of the contract, the U.S. Government guarantees a minimum order of [**QAR 1000**]. for warehouse moving services each contract year of this contract.
- b. Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor--
  - (1) Any order for a single item in excess of [**QAR 260,000**].
  - (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of [**QAR 260,000**]; or

Individual purchases shall be documented as follows: [The Contracting Officer must obligate the funds via a task order.]

2. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

After contract award and submission of acceptable insurance certificates, the Contracting Officer shall issue a Notice to Proceed. The Notice to Proceed will establish a date (a minimum of (5) days from date of contract award unless the Contractor agrees to an earlier date) on which performance shall start.

3. PRICING

The rates below shall include all direct and indirect costs, insurance (see FAR 52.228-4 and 52.228-5), overhead, and profit. The prices include all expenses and materials required to complete the work.

VALUE ADDED TAX

VALUE ADDED TAX. Value Added Tax (VAT) is not included in the CLIN rates. Instead, it will be priced as a separate Line Item in the contract and on Invoices. Local law dictates the portion of the contract price that is subject to VAT; this percentage is multiplied only against that portion. It is reflected for each performance period. The portions of the solicitation subject to VAT are:

**3.A BASE PERIOD PRICES - Option Term: Twelve (12) Months**

	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Rate Per Unit</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Estimated Price per year (12 Months) *</b>
<b>001</b>	Standard Services - Monthly moving support service for miscellaneous items like box. files, Furniture, Office Equipment, Computers, Printers, and other used items in the Embassy-All items to be moved within the Embassy compound and between the Embassy warehouse to the Embassy's residences or the other way around- Service to be rendered during the Embassy working hours. (estimated volume of items to be moved per month is (300 cubic meters).		<b>12 months</b>	
<b>002</b>	Additional Service - Daily moving support for miscellaneous items like box. files, Furniture, Office Equipment, Computers, Printers, and other used items in the Embassy-All items to be moved within the Embassy compound and between the Embassy warehouse to the Embassy's residences or the other way around- Service to be rendered during the Embassy working hours. (estimated volume of items to be moved per day is (14 cubic meters).		<b>20 days</b>	
<b>Total per year</b>				

\*This estimated amount is based on total estimated Government requirements per year. This means that if more than one award is made, the estimated amount of work awarded under task order(s) to any single contractor will be less than the amount shown.

**3.B. FIRST OPTION YEAR PRICES - Option Term: Twelve (12) Months**

	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Rate Per Unit</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Estimated Price per year (12 Months)*</b>
<b>001</b>	Standard Services - Monthly moving support service for miscellaneous items like box. files, Furniture, Office Equipment, Computers, Printers, and other used items in the Embassy-All items to be moved within the Embassy compound and between the Embassy warehouse to the Embassy's residences or the other way around- Service to be rendered during the Embassy working hours. (estimated volume of items to be moved per month is (300 cubic meters).		<b>12 months</b>	
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<b>Total per year</b>				

\*This estimated amount is based on total estimated Government requirements per year. This means that if more than one award is made, the estimated amount of work awarded under task order(s) to any single contractor will be less than the amount shown.

**3.E GRAND TOTAL OF BASE PLUS ALL OPTION YEARS:**

<b>1</b>	<b>BASE YEAR</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> OPTION YEAR</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>		

\*This estimated amount is based on total estimated Government requirements. This means that if more than one award is made, the estimated amount of work awarded under task order(s) to any single contractor will be less than the amount shown.

The Government will not consider any claim for any additional compensation unless it has been authorized by the Government in writing in advance. The Government shall not be responsible for any work performed that is not specifically provided for under this contract or authorized by the Government in writing in advance.

## ORDERS

All requests for shipments or performance of individual jobs under this contract shall be issued via an order placed by the Contracting Officer. This task order will contain the following information:

- (a) Name of Contractor
- (b) Contract number
- (c) Date of purchase
- (d) Purchase number
- (e) Name of person placing order
- (f) Itemized list of shipment and services furnished
- (g) Quantity, unit price, and total price of each item or service, less applicable discounts

Orders may be placed orally initially but must be followed up in writing within 48 hours via issuance of a task order. Only a Contracting Officer may place an order, either orally or in writing.

## 4. INVOICES AND PAYMENT

- (a) Individual invoices shall be submitted for each order, accompanied by the task order and. Invoices shall be submitted in the original with three (1) copy to the Contracting' Officer's Representative (COR) at the following address (designated payment office only for the purpose of submitting invoices):

[USEMBDOHAPAYABLES@STATE.GOV](mailto:USEMBDOHAPAYABLES@STATE.GOV)

- (b) An acceptable invoice containing expenditures for international air and sea shipments on foreign flag air carriers or vessels shall include the appropriate certificate or waiver for a U.S. carrier. The Government will disallow expenditures for international air on foreign flag air carriers unless the appropriate certificate or waiver is attached to invoices. The certification used in clause 52.247-63, Preference for U.S.-Flag Air Carriers, satisfies the justification requirement.

## 5. GOVERNMENT APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES.

The Contractor shall subject its personnel to the Government's approval. All employees must pass a suitable investigation conducted by the Contractor, including recommendation(s) from their respective supervisor(s). Also required: (1) a police check covering criminal and/or subversive activities; (2) a check of personal residence, and (3) a credit investigation. The Contractor shall provide all such investigations in summary form to the COR for review and approval or disapproval. **THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT USE ANY EMPLOYEES UNDER THIS CONTRACT WITHOUT GOVERNMENT APPROVAL.**

6 **KEY PERSONNEL.**

The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel.

<u>Position/Function</u>	<u>Name</u>
Project Manager	*

The Project Manager shall be fluent in the English language. During the first 90 days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment.

7. PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE (LIABILITY)

The Contractor hereby assumes absolute responsibility and liability for any and all personal injuries or death and/or property damage or losses suffered due to negligence of the Contractor's personnel in the performance of the services under this contract.

8. INSURANCE

The Contractor, at its own expense, shall provide and maintain during the entire period of performance of this contract, whatever insurance is legally necessary. The Contractor shall carry during the entire period of performance the following minimum insurance:

<u>Comprehensive General Liability</u>	
Bodily injury	as required by Qatari Labor law
<u>Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability</u>	
Workers' Compensation and Occupational Disease	as required by Qatari Labor law _Statutory,
as	
Employer's Liability	_____

9. BONDING OF EMPLOYEES

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 equipping of any employees engaged in providing services under this contract, if legally required by the local government or local practice.

#### 10. PERMITS

At no cost to the Government, the Contractor shall obtain all permits, licenses, and appointments required for the prosecution of work. 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.

## ATTACHMENT 1

### PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT CONTINUATION

#### GENERAL

This is for the provision of moving service to support warehouse operation in American Embassy Doha during business hours (from Sunday to Thursday for a 40 hrs. work week as needed on a seasonal basis). The team must report at the American Embassy warehouse, as required, and notified in advance. The work schedule is 7:30am to 17:00pm Sunday-Wednesday and 7:30am to 11:30am on Thursday. The Contractor shall provide additional staff when the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) requests with one-day notice whenever required during the contract period. The contract will be for one year period from the date of award of contract.

Contractor employees shall help warehouse staff loading, unloading, moving, storing, and cleaning any kind of item when they work at Warehouse, Chancery, and official/designated residences.

The Contractor shall furnish all managerial, administrative, safety PPE and direct labor personnel that are necessary to accomplish the work in this contract. Contractor employees shall be on site only for assisting Embassy employees for various duties and not for any other business purposes.

#### DEFINITIONS

- "Calendar Day" means the twenty-four-hour period from midnight to midnight. Saturdays, Sundays and all holidays are considered calendar days.
- "COR" means the Contracting Officer's Representative, appointed in accordance with Section 2 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, [DOHA, QATAR].
- "Services" means the services performed, workmanship, and equipment furnished or utilized in the performance of the services.

#### DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

##### 1. General Instructions

The Contractor shall prepare general instructions for the work force. The Contractor shall provide drafts to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) for review within thirty days after contract award. The Contracting Officer's Representative must approve these general instructions before issuance.

#### MANAGEMENT

- 3.1 Contracting Officer's Representative. The Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) is responsible for validating requests for movers and providing instructions to the contractor on a daily or less frequent basis. The COR does not have authority to issue task orders under this contract.

- 3.2 Authorized Service Requesters. Each task order will list the names and phone numbers of all authorized service requester(s). Service requesters are only authorized to order service.
- 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 the movers (if movers 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:

Project Manager:  
Telephone Number:

## **2. Duties and Responsibilities**

All work areas require an Embassy staff escort and can only be entered during scheduled times. The General Instructions shall emphasize security requirements so that accidental security violations do not occur. They are to be performed daily.

## **3. Types of Services**

The warehouse moving services reports to warehouse staff as per their instructions for loading, unloading, moving, storing, and cleaning any kind of item when they work at Warehouse, Chancery and official/designated residences.

- 3.1 Moving service-Loading and Unloading: The contractor shall provide moving support during business hours; the staff should be able to properly lift and maneuver objects up to 23kgs. Estimated volume of items to be moved per day is (12 cubic meters).
- 3.2 Storing: The contractor shall provide employees to follow instructions regarding the proper storage of items.
- 3.2a: Report back on storage items (e.g. quantity, working order)
- 3.3 Cleaning: The contractor shall provide staff who can
- 3.3a: Sweep, vacuum, mop
  - 3.3b: Dust and polish
  - 3.3c: Remove dirt and other markings
  - 3.3d: Facilitate the maintenance of orderly surroundings of warehouse, Chancery, and official/designated residences

## **4. Personnel**

### **4.1 General**

All safety equipment (gloves, goggles, boots, etc.) and uniforms for the workers shall be supplied by the Contractor. The Contractor shall maintain discipline at the site and shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent any unlawful, riotous, or disorderly conduct by Contractor employees at the site. The Contractor shall preserve peace and protect persons and property on site. 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 costs to the Embassy.

### **4.2 Standard of Conduct.**

- a. The Contractor's employees shall wear clean, neat, and complete uniforms when on duty. All employees shall wear uniforms approved by the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).
- b. Neglect of duties shall not be condoned. The Contractor shall enforce no sleeping while on duty, unreasonable delays, or failures to carry out assigned tasks, conducting personal affairs during duty

hours, and refusing to render assistance or cooperate in upholding the integrity of the worksite security.

- 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, which interfere with normal and efficient Government operations.
- d. 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.

#### 4.3 Criminal Actions.

Contractor employees may be subject to criminal actions as allowed by law in certain circumstances. These criminal actions include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Falsification or unlawful concealment, removal, mutilation, or destruction of any U.S Government property, official documents, or records.
- b. Unauthorized use of Government property, theft, vandalism, or immoral conduct.
- c. Unethical or improper use of official authority or credentials.
- d. Security violations; or organizing or participating in gambling in any form.

#### 4.4 Personnel Security

##### a. General

After award of the contract, the Contractor shall provide the following list of data on each employee who will be working under the contract. The Contractor shall include a list of workers with their resident card copy and a police clearance certificate of each worker assigned to this contract. The Government will run background checks on these individuals. It is anticipated that security checks will take approximately 21 days to perform.

##### b. Identity Cards

The Government shall issue identity cards to Contractor personnel, after they are approved. Contractor personnel shall always display identity card(s) on the uniform while providing services under this contract. These identity cards are the property of the US 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.

The Government reserves the right to deny access to U.S.-owned and U.S.-operated facilities to any individual.

## **5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT**

All safety equipment (gloves, goggles, boots etc.) and uniforms shall be supplied by the Contractor to their employees.

## **6. INSURANCE**

1. 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.
2. The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for any personal injuries to the day workers.

## 7.SKILLS

English skills - Have a basic working level of English (Reading/Writing/Speaking is required. This may be tested.). Employees CV required prior to Contract confirmation.

## 8. BILLING

Maximum days in a month: 23 Days  
Months required in a year: 12 Months.

## 9. TRANSPORTATION

Contractor should provide daily transportation service for employees to and from Embassy.

## 10. FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION

1. Embassy does not provide food for employees.
2. Contractor responsible to provide decent accommodation for their employees as per local Government standard. Contractor should allow contracting officer or COR to perform employee's accommodation inspection during the contract period as per FAR Clause 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons.

## 11.QUALITY ASSURANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLAN (QASP)

This plan provides an effective method to promote satisfactory 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 monitor quality to ensure that contract standards are achieved.

Performance Objective	Performance Threshold
<u>Services.</u> Performs all the services set forth in the scope of work.	All required services are performed and no more than one (1) customer complaint is received per month. [1]

### Monitoring Performance

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.

### Standard

The performance standard is that the Government receives no more than one (1) [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 52.212-4

Contract Terms and Conditions-Commercial Items, if any of the services exceed the standard.

## **12.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 2 - CONTRACT CLAUSES

FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2018) is incorporated by reference. (see SF-1449, Block 27A)

***[While the FAR allows certain paragraphs of 52.212-4 to be tailored, the Contracting Officer should consult A/OPE before tailoring any of the language. Keep in mind that paragraphs (b), (d), (g), (i), (q), and (r) of 52.212-4 may not be tailored.]***  
***[If there is no addendum to 52.212-4, leave this as “none”.]***

52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS. (SEP 2021)

1.The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

2.52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

3.52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (JUL 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

4.52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (AUG 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

5.52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (NOV 2015).

6.52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (*31 U.S.C. 3553*).

7.52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (*19 U.S.C. 3805 note*)).

8.The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

\_\_\_\_(1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUNE 2020), with Alternate I (OCT 1995) (*41 U.S.C. 4704* and *10 U.S.C. 2402*).

- \_\_\_(2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (JUN 2020) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
- \_\_\_(3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (JUN 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)
- \_ **X** \_ (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (JUN 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) ( 31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
- \_\_\_(5) [Reserved].
- \_\_\_(6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- \_\_\_(7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- \_ **X** \_ (8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government’s Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (JUN 2020) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
- \_\_\_(9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (OCT 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
- \_\_\_(10) [**Reserved**].
- \_\_\_(11)
  - i. 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- \_\_\_(12)
  - (i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (SEP 2021) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- \_\_\_(13) [Reserved]
- \_\_\_(14)
  - (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
  - \_\_\_(ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-6.
- \_\_\_(15)
  - (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
  - \_\_\_(ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-7.
- \_\_\_(16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
- \_\_\_(17)
  - (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JUN 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).
  - \_\_\_(ii) Alternate I (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.
  - \_\_\_(iii) Alternate II (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.
  - \_\_\_(iv) Alternate III (JUN 2020) of 52.219-9.
  - \_\_\_(v) Alternate IV (JUN 2020) of 52.219-9
- \_\_\_(18)
  - (i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
  - \_\_\_(ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-13.
- \_\_\_(19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

(20) [52.219-16](#), Liquidated Damages-Subcontracting Plan ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)\(F\)\(i\)](#)).

     (21) [52.219-27](#), Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 657f](#)).

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     (i) [52.219-28](#), Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 632\(a\)\(2\)](#)).

     (ii) Alternate I ([MAR 2020](#)) of [52.219-28](#).

     (23) [52.219-29](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).

     (24) [52.219-30](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).

     (25) [52.219-32](#), Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves ([MAR 2020](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).

     (26) [52.219-33](#), Nonmanufacturer Rule ([SEP 2021](#)) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(a\)\(17\)](#)).

     (27) [52.222-3](#), Convict Labor ([JUN 2003](#)) (E.O.11755).

  X   (28) [52.222-19](#), Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies ([JAN2020](#)) (E.O.13126).

     (29) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities ([APR 2015](#)).

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     (i) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity ([SEP 2016](#)) (E.O.11246).

     (ii) Alternate I ([FEB 1999](#)) of [52.222-26](#).

     (31)

     (i) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans ([JUN 2020](#)) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

     (ii) Alternate I ([JUL 2014](#)) of [52.222-35](#).

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     (i) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities ([JUN 2020](#)) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).

     (ii) Alternate I ([JUL 2014](#)) of [52.222-36](#).

     (33) [52.222-37](#), Employment Reports on Veterans ([JUN 2020](#)) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

     (34) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act ([DEC 2010](#)) (E.O. 13496).

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     (i) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons ([OCT 2020](#)) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).

     (ii) Alternate I ([MAR 2015](#)) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).

     (36) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification ([OCT 2015](#)). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in [22.1803](#).)

     (37)

     (i) [52.223-9](#), Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(c\)\(3\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

     (ii) Alternate I ([MAY 2008](#)) of [52.223-9](#) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(i\)\(2\)\(C\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

\_\_\_(38) [52.223-11](#), Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).

\_\_\_(39) [52.223-12](#), Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners ([JUN 2016](#)) (E.O. 13693).

\_\_\_(40)

(i) [52.223-13](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment ([JUN 2014](#)) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

\_\_\_(ii) Alternate I ([OCT 2015](#)) of [52.223-13](#).

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(i) [52.223-14](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions ([JUN 2014](#)) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

\_\_\_(ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of [52.223-14](#).

\_\_\_(42) [52.223-15](#), Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products ([MAY 2020](#)) ([42 U.S.C. 8259b](#)).

\_\_\_(43)

(i) [52.223-16](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products ([OCT 2015](#)) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

\_\_\_(ii) Alternate I ([JUN 2014](#)) of [52.223-16](#).

\_ X \_ (44) [52.223-18](#), Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving ([JUN 2020](#)) (E.O. 13513).

\_\_\_(45) [52.223-20](#), Aerosols ([JUN 2016](#)) (E.O. 13693).

\_\_\_(46) [52.223-21](#), Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693).

\_\_\_(47)

(i) [52.224-3](#) Privacy Training ([JAN 2017](#)) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).

\_\_\_(ii) Alternate I ([JAN 2017](#)) of [52.224-3](#).

\_\_\_(48) [52.225-1](#), Buy American-Supplies ([JAN2021](#)) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 83](#)).

\_\_\_(49)

(i) [52.225-3](#), Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act ([JAN 2021](#))([41 U.S.C.chapter83](#), [19 U.S.C. 3301](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 2112](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 3805](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 4001](#) note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).

\_\_\_(ii) Alternate I ([JAN 2021](#)) of [52.225-3](#).

\_\_\_(iii) Alternate II ([JAN 2021](#)) of [52.225-3](#).

\_\_\_(iv) Alternate III ([JAN 2021](#)) of [52.225-3](#).

\_ X \_ (50) [52.225-5](#), Trade Agreements ([OCT 2019](#)) ([19 U.S.C. 2501](#), et seq., [19 U.S.C. 3301](#) note).

\_\_\_(51) [52.225-13](#), Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases ([FEB 2021](#)) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

\_\_\_(52) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; [10 U.S.C. 2302Note](#)).

\_\_\_(53) [52.226-4](#), Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).

\_\_\_(54) [52.226-5](#), Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).

- (55) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (FEB 2021).
- (56) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (FEB 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- (57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Jan 2017) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- X (58) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (OCT2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- X (59) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (60) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (61) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- (62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
- (63)
  - (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
  - (ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of 52.247-64.
  - (iii) Alternate II (FEB 2006) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (AUG 2018) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (NOV 2020).
- (8) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).
- (9) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792).

(d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)

(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (JUN 2020) (41 U.S.C. 3509).

(ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(iii) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (JUL 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(iv) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (AUG 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(v) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2018) (*15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)* and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR *19.702(a)* on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(vii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2015) (E.O.11246).

(viii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (*38 U.S.C. 4212*).

(ix) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (*29 U.S.C. 793*).

(x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (*38 U.S.C. 4212*).

(xi) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.

(xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (*41 U.S.C. chapter 67*).

(xiii)

(A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (OCT 2020) (*22 U.S.C. chapter 78* and E.O. 13627).

(B) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (*22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627*).

(xiv) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May2014) (*41 U.S.C. chapter 67*).

(xv) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (*41 U.S.C. chapter 67*).

(xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015) (E.O. 12989).

(xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (NOV 2020).

(xviii) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).

(xix)

(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (*5 U.S.C. 552a*).

(B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

(xx) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; *10 U.S.C. 2302 Note*).

(xxi) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (JUN 2020) (*42 U.S.C. 1792*). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

(xxii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (*46 U.S.C. 55305* and *10 U.S.C. 2631*). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

(2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

Add the following clause in full text:

52.229-12 TAX ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PROCUREMENTS—NOTICE AND REPRESENTATION (FEB 2021)

(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](http://www.irs.gov/w14).

(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), the 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)**

## ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT CLAUSES

### 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.

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 Regulations (FAR) clauses are incorporated by reference:

<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS (JUN 2020)

- 52.204-12 DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM NUMBER MAINTENANCE  
(DEC 2012)
- 52.204-13 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE  
(OCT 2018)
- 52.204-18 COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE  
MAINTENANCE (AUG 2020)
- 52.225-14 INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ENGLISH VERSION AND TRANSLATION  
OF CONTRACT (FEB 2000)
- 52.228-4 WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND WAR-HAZARD INSURANCE  
OVERSEAS (APR 1984)
- 52.228-5 INSURANCE WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION  
(JAN 1997)
- 52.229-6 FOREIGN FIXED PRICE CONTRACTS (FEB 2013)
- 52.232-39 UNENFORCEABILITY OF UNAUTHORIZED OBLIGATIONS  
(JUNE 2013)
  
- 52.232-40 PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS  
SUBCONTRACTORS (DEC 2013)
  
- 52.237-3 CONTINUITY OF SERVICES (JAN 1991)
- 52.244-6 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JUL 2021)
- 52.247-5 FAMILIARIZATION WITH CONDITIONS (APR 1984)
- 52.247-7 FREIGHT EXCLUDED (APR 1984)
- 52.247-10 NET WEIGHT - GENERAL FREIGHT (APR 1984)
- 52.247-11 NET WEIGHT - HOUSEHOLD GOODS OR OFFICE FURNITURE (APR  
1984)
- 52.247-12 SUPERVISION, LABOR, OR MATERIALS (APR 1984)
- 52.247-13 ACCESSORIAL SERVICES – MOVING CONTRACTS (APR 1984)

- 52.247-14 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECEIPT OF SHIPMENT (APR 1984)
- 52.247-15 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING (APR 1984)
- 52.247-16 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR RETURNING UNDELIVERABLE FREIGHT (APR 1984)
- 52.247-17 CHARGES (APR 1984)
- 52.247-18 MULTIPLE SHIPMENTS (APR 1984)
- 52.247-21 CONTRACTOR LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE (APR 1984)
- 52.247-22 CONTRACTOR LIABILITY FOR LOSS OF AND/OR DAMAGE TO FREIGHT OTHER THAN HOUSEHOLD GOODS (APR 1984)
- 52.247-27 CONTRACT NOT AFFECTED BY ORAL AGREEMENT (APR 1984)
- 52.247-28 CONTRACTOR'S INVOICES (APR 1984)
- 52.247-63 PREFERENCE FOR U.S.-FLAG AIR CARRIERS (JUNE 2003)
- 52.248-1 VALUE ENGINEERING (OCT 2010)
- 52.204-9 PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2011)

The following FAR clauses are provided in full text:

**52.216-18 Ordering (AUG 2020)**

- (a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from during each contract year starting from the commence service date and continue for one year.
- (b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.
- (c) A delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when –
  - (1) If sent by mail (includes transmittal by U.S. mail or private delivery service), the Government deposits the order in the mail;

(2) If sent by fax, the Government transmits the order to the Contractor's fax number; or  
(3) If sent electronically, the Government either –

- (i) Posts a copy of the delivery order or task order to a Government document access system, and notice is sent to the Contractor; or
- (ii) Distributes the delivery order or task order via email to the Contractor's email address.

(d) Orders may be issued by methods other than those enumerated in this clause only if authorized in the contract.

(End of clause)

#### 52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS (OCT 1995)

(b) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than [**QAR 1000**], the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.

(c) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor--

- (1) Any order for a single item in excess of [**QAR 260,000**];
- (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of [**QAR 260,000**]; or
- (3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within [**365**] days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in subparagraph (1) or (2) above.

(d) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirement clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) above.

(e) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) above, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within [**5**] days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

#### 52.216-22 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (OCT 1995)

(a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.

- (b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the “maximum.” The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the “minimum.”
- (c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.
- (d) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor’s and Government’s rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract’s effective period; *provided*, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after one year beyond the contract’s effective period.

52.217-8      OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract.

52.217-9      OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

- (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract or within 30 days after funds for the option year become available, whichever is later.
- (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.
- (c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed [**2 years**].

52.232-19      AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR  
(APR 1984)

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year. The Government's obligation for performance of this contract beyond that date is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year,

until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for performance and until the Contractor receives notice of availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

52.247-23 CONTRACTOR LIABILITY FOR LOSS OF AND/OR DAMAGE TO HOUSEHOLD GOODS (JAN 1991) (DEVIATION)

- (a) Except when loss and/or damage arise out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the owner for the loss of and/or damage to any article while being-
  - (1) Packed, picked up, loaded, transported, delivered, unloaded, or unpacked.
  - (2) Stored in transit; or
  - (3) Serviced (appliances, etc.) by a third person hired by the Contractor to perform the servicing.
- (b) The Contractor shall be liable for loss and/or damage discovered by the owner if written notice of such loss and/or damage is dispatched to the Contractor not later than 75 days following the date of delivery.
- (c) The Contractor shall indemnify the owner of the goods at a rate of \$8.50 per pound (or metric equivalent in local currency) based on the total Net Weight.”

52.252-6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (APR 1984)

- (a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of “(DEVIATION)” after the date of the clause.

The following DOSAR clauses are provided in full text:

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.

652.216-70 ORDERING - INDEFINITE-DELIVERY CONTRACT (APR 2004)

The Government shall use one of the following forms to issue orders under this contract:

- (a) The Optional Form 347, *Order for Supplies or Services*, and Optional Form 348, *Order for Supplies or Services Schedule - Continuation*; or,
- (b) The DS-2076, *Purchase Order, Receiving Report and Voucher*, and DS-2077, *Continuation Sheet*.

652.237-72 OBSERVANCE OF LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE (APR 2004)

All work shall be performed during [Sunday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 16:30 PM] except for the holidays identified below. Other hours may be approved by the Contracting Officer's Representative. Notice must be given 24 hours in advance to COR who will consider any deviation from the hours identified above.

- (a) The Department of State observes the following days as holidays:

<b>Holiday</b>
New Year's Day – U.S.
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday – U.S.
National Sports Day - Q
Presidents' Day – U.S.
Eid Al-Fitr – Q – (4 working days) *
Memorial Day – U.S.
Juneteenth – U.S.
Eid Al-Adha – Q – (4 working days) *
Independence Day – U.S.
Labor Day – U.S.
Columbus Day – U.S.
Veterans' Day – U.S.
Thanksgiving Day – U.S.
Qatari National Day

Christmas Day – U.S.

Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order or Presidential Proclamation.

- (b) When any such day falls on a Friday or Saturday, the following Sunday is observed. Observance of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract.

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 **Warehouse Supervisor**

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.

652.228-71 WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE (DEFENSE BASE ACT)-  
-SERVICES (JUNE 2006)

- (a) This clause supplements FAR 52.228-3. For the purposes of this clause, "covered contractor employees" includes the following individuals:

- (1) United States citizens or residents;
- (2) Individuals hired in the United States or its possessions, regardless of citizenship; and
- (3) Local nationals and third country nationals where contract performance takes place in a country where there are no local workers' compensation laws.

(b) The Contractor shall procure Defense Base Act (DBA) insurance pursuant to the terms of the contract between the Department of State and the Department's DBA insurance carrier for covered contractor employees, unless the Contractor has a DBA self-insurance program approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall submit a copy of the Department of Labor's approval to the Contracting Officer upon contract award, if applicable.

(c) The current rate under the Department of State contract is \$4.00 per \$100.00 of employee compensation for services.

(d) The Contractor shall insert a clause substantially the same as this in all subcontracts. The Contractor shall require that subcontractors insert a similar clause in any of their subcontracts.

(e) Should the rates for DBA insurance coverage increase or decrease during the performance of this contract, the Contracting Officer shall modify this contract accordingly.

(f) The Contractor shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer that the equitable adjustment as a result of the insurance increase or decrease does not include any reserve for such insurance. Adjustment shall not include any overhead, profit, general and administrative expenses, etc.

(g) (1) Section 16 of the State Basic Authorities Act (22 U.S.C. 2680a), as amended, provides that the Defense Base Act shall not apply with respect to such contracts as the Secretary of State determines are contracts with persons employed to perform work for the Department of State on an intermittent basis for not more than 90 days in a calendar year. "Persons" includes individuals hired by companies under contract with the Department. The Procurement Executive has the authority to issue the waivers for Contractor employees who work on an intermittent or short-term basis.

(2) The Contractor shall submit waiver requests to the Contracting Officer. The request shall contain the following information:

(i) Contract number;

(ii) Name of Contractor;

(iii) Brief description of the services to be provided under the contract and country of performance;

(iv) Name and position title of individual(s);

(v) Nationality of individual(s) (must be U.S. citizen or U.S. resident);

(vi) Dates (or timeframe) of performance at the overseas location; and,

(vii) Evidence of alternative workers' compensation coverage for these employees (e.g., evidence that the State workers' compensation program covers workers on short-term foreign assignments).

(3) The Contracting Officer shall provide to the Contractor the original of the approved or disapproved document and maintain a copy in the contract file.

SECTION 3  
SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

FAR 52.212-1, INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (SEP 2021) is incorporated by reference. (See SF-1449, block 27a).

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-1

A. Summary of instructions. Each offer must consist of the following:

A.1. A completed solicitation, in which the SF-1449 cover page (blocks 12, 17, 19-24, and 30 as appropriate), and Section 1 has been filled out.

*[NOTE TO CO: If country is not on the approved list of country waivers at site below for Defense Base Act Insurance then add the following:*

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> ]

A.2. Information demonstrating the offeror's/quoter's ability to perform, including:

(1) **Name of a Project Manager** (or other liaison to the Embassy/Consulate) who understands written and spoken English and submit a copy of company profile.

(2) Evidence that the offeror/quoter operates an established business with a permanent address and telephone listing; (Attached Copy of the commercial registration for your company).

(3) **List of clients over the past (5) years**, demonstrating prior experience in state of Qatar with relevant past performance information and references (provide dates of contracts, places of performance, value of contracts, contact names, telephone and fax numbers and email addresses). . Offerors are advised that the past performance information requested above may be discussed with the client's contact person. In addition, the client's contact person may be asked to comment on the offeror's:

- Quality of services provided under the contract;
- Compliance with contract terms and conditions;
- Effectiveness of management;
- Willingness to cooperate with and assist the customer in routine matters, and when confronted by unexpected difficulties; and
- Business integrity / business conduct.

The Government will use past performance information primarily to assess an offeror's capability to meet the solicitation performance requirements, including the relevance and

successful performance of the offeror's work experience. The Government may also use this data to evaluate the credibility of the offeror's proposal. In addition, the Contracting Officer may use past performance information in making a determination of responsibility.

- (4) Evidence that the offeror/quoter can provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the work;2

(5) The offeror shall address its plan to obtain all licenses and permits required by local law (see DOSAR 652.242-73 in Section 2). If offeror already possesses the locally required licenses and permits, a copy shall be provided. (The contractor must be registered in Qatar and has the required License to provide services in the state of Qatar. Sub-Contracting is not permitted).

(6) Housing and Recruitment Plan

### A.3 RECRUITMENT OF THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS FOR PERFORMANCE ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONTRACTS (October 17, 2012)

The offeror is required to submit a **Recruitment Plan** as part of the proposal, and contractors providing employer furnished housing are required to submit a **Housing Plan** for contractor where performance will require the recruitment of non-professional third country nationals.

- 1.
2. Recruitment Plan
3.
  - a. State the anticipated number of workers to be recruited, the skills they are expected to have, and the country or countries from which the Contractor intends to recruit them.
  - b. Explain how the Contractor intends to attract candidates and the recruitment strategy including the recruiter.
  - c. Provide sample recruitment agreement in English.
  - d. State in the offer that the recruited employee will not be charged recruitment or any similar fees. The Contractor or employer pays the recruitment fees for the worker if recruited by the Contractor or subcontractor to work specifically on Department of State jobs.
  - e. State in the offer that the Contractor's recruitment practices comply with recruiting nation and host country labor laws.
  - f. State in the offer that the Contractor has read and understands the requirements of FAR 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons.
  - g. Contractor and subcontractors shall only use bona fide licensed recruitment companies. Recruitment companies shall only use bona fide employees and not independent agents.

- h. Contractor will advise the Contracting Officer of any changes to the Recruitment Plan during performance.
3. The offeror will submit a **Housing Plan** if the Contractor intends to provide employer furnished housing for TCNs. The **Housing Plan** must describe the location and description of the proposed housing. Contractors must state in their offer that housing meets host country housing and safety standards and local codes or explain any variance. Contractor shall comply with any Temporary Labor Camp standards contained in this contract. In contracts without a Temporary Labor Camp standard, fifty square feet is the minimum amount of space per person without a Contracting Officer waiver. Contractor shall submit proposed changes to their Housing Plan to the Contracting Officer for approval.
4. Department of State contractor and subcontractors will treat employees with respect and dignity by taking the following actions:
- a. Contractor may not hold employee passports and other identification documents longer than 48 hours without employee concurrence. Contractors and subcontractors are reminded of the prohibition contained in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1592, against knowingly destroying, concealing, removing, confiscating, or possessing any actual or purported passport or other immigration document to prevent or restrict the person's liberty to move or travel in order to maintain the services of that person, when the person is or has been a victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons.
- b. Contractor shall provide employees with signed copies of the/their employment contracts, in English and the employee's native language, that define the terms of employment, compensation, job description, and benefits. Contracts must be provided prior to employee departure from their countries of origin.
- c. Contractor shall provide all employees with a "Know Your Rights" brochure and document that employees have been briefed on the contents of the brochure. The English language version is available at <http://www.state.gov/j/tip/> or from the Contracting Officer.
- d. Contractor shall brief employees on the requirements of the FAR 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons including the requirements against commercial sex even in countries where it is legal and shall provide a copy of the briefing to the Contracting Officer Representative (COR).
- e. Contractor shall display posters in worker housing advising employees in English and the dominant language of the Third Country Nationals being housed of the requirement to report violations of Trafficking in Persons to the company and the company's obligation to report to the Contracting Officer. The poster shall also indicate that reports can also be submitted to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) Hotline at 202-647-3320 or 1-800-409-9926 or via email at [OIGHotline@state.gov](mailto:OIGHotline@state.gov)
- f. Contractor and subcontractors shall comply with sending and receiving nation laws regarding transit, entry, exit, visas, and work permits. Contractors are responsible for repatriation of workers imported for contract performance.
- g. Contractor will monitor subcontractor compliance at all tiers. This includes verification that subcontractors are aware of, and understand, the requirements of FAR 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons and this clause. Contractors specifically agree to allow U.S. Government personnel access to contractor and subcontractor personnel, records, and housing for audit of compliance with these requirements.
- h. The Contractor agrees to include this clause in all subcontracts over \$250,000 involving recruitment of third country national for subcontractor performance.

ADDENDUM TO SOLICITATION PROVISIONS  
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISIONS NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

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](http://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](http://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:

<u>PROVISION</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.204-7	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (OCT 2018)
52.204-16 (AUG 2020)	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING
52.214-34	SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991)

The following DOSAR provision is provided in full text:

652.206-70 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](mailto:AQMCompetitionAdvocate@state.gov).

(2) For all others, the Department of State Advocate for Competition at [cat@state.gov](mailto: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,  [insert name] , at  [insert telephone and fax numbers] . 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)

## SECTION 4 - EVALUATION FACTORS

The Government intends to award a contract/purchase order resulting from this solicitation to the lowest priced, technically acceptable offeror/quoter who is a responsible contractor. The evaluation process shall include the following:

(a) **Compliance Review.** The Government will perform an initial review of proposals/quotations received to determine compliance with the terms of the solicitation. The Government may reject as unacceptable proposals/quotations that do not conform to the solicitation.

(b) **Technical Acceptability.** Technical acceptability will include a review of past performance and experience as defined in Section 3, along with any technical information provided by the offeror with its proposal/quotation.

(c) **Price Evaluation.** The lowest price will be determined by multiplying the offered prices times the estimated quantities in "Prices - Continuation of SF-1449, block 23", and arriving at a grand total, including all options. The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price.

(d) **Responsibility Determination.** Responsibility will be determined by analyzing whether the apparent successful offeror complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:

- adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
- ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
- satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
- necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
- be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

ADDENDUM TO EVALUATION FACTORS  
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S) NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

The following FAR provisions are provided in full text:

52.216-27 SINGLE OR MULTIPLE AWARDS (OCT 1995)

The Government may elect to award a single task order contract or to award multiple delivery order contracts or task order contracts for the same or similar supplies or services to two or more sources under this solicitation.

52.217-5 EVALUATION OF OPTIONS (JUL 1990)

The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

## SECTION 5 - REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

### **52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (OCT 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 paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204–26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it “does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services” in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204–26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212–3.

(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) *Representation.* 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)

#### **52.204-26 Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation (OCT 2020)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision, “covered telecommunications equipment or services” and “reasonable inquiry” have the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *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”.

(c) *Representations.* (1) The Offeror represents that it [ ] does, [ ] 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.

(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 any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of provision)

#### **52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items. (FEB 2021)**

The Offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically in the System for Award Management (SAM) accessed through <https://www.sam.gov>. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (v) of this provision.

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

"Covered telecommunications equipment or services" has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

*Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern* means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the

management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

*Forced or indentured child labor* means all work or service—

(1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or

(2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

*Highest-level owner* means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

*Immediate owner* means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

*Inverted domestic corporation*, means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under [6 U.S.C. 395\(b\)](#), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of [6 U.S.C. 395\(c\)](#).

*Manufactured end product* means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
- (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) PSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and

(10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

*Place of manufacture* means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

*Predecessor* means an entity that is replaced by a successor and includes any predecessors of the predecessor.

*Reasonable inquiry* has the meaning provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

*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 (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) 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. "Sensitive technology"—

*Sensitive technology*—

(1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—

(i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or

(ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

(2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

*Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern—*

(1) Means a small business concern—

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

(2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(2\)](#), with a disability that is service connected, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(16\)](#).

*Small business concern—*

(1) Means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

(2) *Affiliates*, as used in this definition, means business concerns, one of whom directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control the others, or a third party or parties control or have the power to control the others. In determining whether affiliation exists, consideration is given to all appropriate factors including common ownership, common management, and contractual relationships. SBA determines affiliation based on the factors set forth at 13 CFR 121.103.

*Small disadvantaged business concern*, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002, means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that—

(1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by—

(i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States; and

(ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13.CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

*Subsidiary* means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation

*Successor* means an entity that has replaced a predecessor by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the predecessor under a new name (often through acquisition or merger). The term "successor" does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the successor for the liabilities of the predecessor may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

*Veteran-owned small business concern* means a small business concern—

(1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

*Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program* (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127), means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

*Women-owned small business concern* means a small business concern—

(1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and

(2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

(b) (1) *Annual Representations and Certifications*. Any changes provided by the Offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through <http://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing SAM information, the Offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications

currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this solicitation), at the time this offer is submitted and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs

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*[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.]*

*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.*

*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 electronically on SAM.]*

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.

(1) *Small business concern.* The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a small business concern.

(2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a veteran-owned small business concern.

(3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.

(4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, that it  is,  is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR124.1002.

(5) *Women-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it  is,  is not a women-owned small business concern.

(6) *WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-

(i) It  is,  is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.

(7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-

(i) It  is,  is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.*] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

**Note:** Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it  is a women-owned business concern.

(9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:\_\_\_\_\_

(10) *HUBZone small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that-

(i) It  is,  is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material changes in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage have occurred since it was certified in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the names of each of the HUBZone small business concerns participating in the HUBZone joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246-

(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that-

(i) It  has,  has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and

(ii) It  has,  has not filed all required compliance reports.

(2) *Affirmative Action Compliance*. The offeror represents that-

(i) It  has developed and has on file,  has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or

(ii) It  has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 <http://uscode.house.gov/> U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its 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 his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, 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.

(f) *Buy American Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)

(1)

(i) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product.

(ii) The Offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products.

(iii) The terms "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Supplies."

(2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

*[List as necessary]*

(3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [part 25](#).

(g)

(1) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#), Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

(i)

(A) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product.

(B) The terms "Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," "Free Trade Agreement country," "Free Trade Agreement country end product," "Israeli end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act."

(ii) The Offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act."

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

*[List as necessary]*

(iii) The Offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act." The Offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products.

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [part 25](#).

(2) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I*. If Alternate I to the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:

<b>Line Item No.</b>
_____
_____
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[List as necessary]

(3) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II*. If Alternate II to the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(4) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III.* If Alternate III to the clause at [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(5) *Trade Agreements Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Trade Agreements."

(ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

(h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689)*. (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—

(1)  Are,  are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;

(2)  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 Federal, state or local

government 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;

(3)  Are,  are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and

(4)  Have,  have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds the threshold at 9.104-5(a)(2) for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

(A) *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.

(B) *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.

(ii) *Examples.*

(A) 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.

(B) 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.

(C) 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.

(D) 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).

(i) *Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126).* [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]

(1) *Listed end products.*

Listed End Product	Listed Countries of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____

(2) *Certification.* [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]

(i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

(ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

(j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly-

(1)  In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or

(2)  Outside the United States.

(k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards* (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]

(1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that–

(i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and

(iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.

(2) Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003-4(d)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that–

(i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));

(iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and

(iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.

(3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies–

(i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and

(ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.

(l) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)* ( [26 U.S.C. 6109](#), [31 U.S.C. 7701](#)). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to the SAM to be eligible for award.)

(1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of [31 U.S.C. 7701\(c\)](#) and [3325\(d\)](#), reporting requirements of [26 U.S.C. 6041](#), [6041A](#), and [6050M](#), and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) 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 U.S.C. 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.

(3) *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 United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(4) *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 CFR1.6049-4;

Other \_\_\_\_\_.

(5) *Common parent.*

Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

Name and TIN of common parent:

Name \_\_\_\_\_.

TIN \_\_\_\_\_.

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

(n) Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations.

(1) 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.

(2) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that—

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

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

(o) Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.

(1) The offeror shall e-mail questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at [CISADA106@state.gov](mailto:CISADA106@state.gov).

(2) *Representation and Certifications.* Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror-

(i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

(ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and

(iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds the threshold at FAR 25.703-2(a)(2) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>).

(3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if-

(i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (e.g., 52.212-3(g) or a comparable agency provision); and

(ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.

(p) *Ownership or Control of Offeror.* (Applies in all solicitations when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a unique entity identifier in the solicitation).

(1) The Offeror represents that it  has or  does not have an immediate owner. If the Offeror has more than one immediate owner (such as a joint venture), then the Offeror shall respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.

(2) If the Offeror indicates "has" in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:

Immediate owner CAGE code: \_\_\_\_\_.

Immediate owner legal name: \_\_\_\_\_.

(Do not use a "doing business as" name)

Is the immediate owner owned or controlled by another entity:  Yes or  No.

(3) If the Offeror indicates "yes" in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the immediate owner is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:

Highest-level owner CAGE code: \_\_\_\_\_.

Highest-level owner legal name: \_\_\_\_\_.

*(Do not use a "doing business as" name)*

*(q) Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law.*

(1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that—

(i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or

(ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(2) The Offeror represents that—

(i) It is  is not  a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and

(ii) It is  is not  a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

*(r) Predecessor of Offeror. (Applies in all solicitations that include the provision at [52.204-16](#), Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)*

(1) The Offeror represents that it  is or  is not a successor to a predecessor that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.

(2) If the Offeror has indicated "is" in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all predecessors that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one predecessor, list in reverse chronological order):

Predecessor CAGE code: (or mark "Unknown").

Predecessor legal name:\_\_\_\_\_.

*(Do not use a "doing business as" name).*

(s) [Reserved].

(t) *Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals.* Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (12.301(d)(1)).

(1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.

(2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)].

(i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner)  does,  does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible website the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.

(ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner)  does,  does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible website a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.

(iii) A publicly accessible website includes the Offeror's own website or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.

(3) If the Offeror checked "does" in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible website(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:\_\_\_\_\_.

(u)

(1) In accordance with section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in

subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

(2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

(3) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (*e.g.*, agency Office of the Inspector General).

(v) *Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation.* Section 889(a)(1)(A) and section 889 (a)(1)(B) of Public Law 115-232.

(1) 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".

(2) The Offeror represents that—

(i) It  does,  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.

(ii) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, that it  does,  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

**(End of Provision)**

Add the following provision:

**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](http://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)

**NOTE to Contracting Officer: Information and current copies of the IRS Form W-14 are available via the internet at [www.irs.gov/w14](http://www.irs.gov/w14)**

ADDENDUM TO REPRESENTATIONS AND  
CERTIFICATIONS FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S)  
NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

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](http://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](http://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 provisions are 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)