
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**LRFP-2015-9120004****14 July 2015****UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF)**

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MICS Regional Sampling Consultant**E MAILED** proposals should be sent to:UNICEF MENARO
Attention: BID UNIT
E MAIL: menarobids@unicef.org (secure email)**IMPORTANT - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**The reference **LRFP-2015-9120004** must be shown on the e mail**The Request for Proposal for Services form** must be used when replying to this invitation. You are welcome to enclose your own specifications, if necessary.Proposals must be received **by latest 12:00 PM (Amman time) on 29 July 2015** and will be opened at 10:30 hours (Amman time) on 29 July 2015. Request for Proposal for Services received after the stipulated date and time will be invalidated.Request for Proposal for Services must be emailed to **menarobids@unicef.org** ONLY. Request for Proposal for Services emailed to other addresses will be invalidated, even if received before the stipulated deadline.**It is important that you read all the provisions of the Request for Proposal for Services to ensure that you understand and comply with the UNICEF's requirements. Note that failure to submit compliant proposals may result in invalidation of your proposal.**



THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL HAS BEEN:

Prepared By:

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Verified By:



Laura Siegrist

BID FORM

BID FORM must be completed, signed and returned to UNICEF.
Bid must be made in accordance with the instructions contained in this INVITATION.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

Any Purchase Order resulting from this INVITATION shall contain UNICEF General Terms and Conditions and any other Specific Terms and Conditions detailed in this INVITATION.

INFORMATION

Any request for information regarding this INVITATION must be forwarded by fax to the attention of the person who prepared this document, with specific reference to the Invitation number.

The Undersigned, having read the Terms and Conditions of INVITATION No. **LRFP-2015-9120004** set out in the attached document, hereby offers to execute the services specified in the Terms and Conditions set out in the document.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name & Title: _____

Company: _____

Postal Address: _____

Tel No: _____

Fax No: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Validity of Offer: _____

Currency of Offer: _____

Please indicate after having read UNICEF Price & Discount stated in the Specific Terms and Conditions, which of the following Payment Terms are offered by you:

10 Days 3.0% _____ 15 Days 2.5% _____ 20 Days 2.0% _____ 30 Days Net _____

Other Trade Discounts _____

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SCHEDULE NO: 1 SAMPLING

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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SERVICE CONTRACTING

Assignment
MICS Regional Sampling Consultant

Estimated budget

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Budget Source

SC120783

Location

Home Based

Duration

Around 90 days spread over an 11 month period

Start date

End date

Reporting to

Regional Monitoring Specialist, MENARO / MICS Coordinator
Closing date for proposals 29 July 2015

1. JUSTIFICATION/BACKGROUND

Statistically sound and internationally comparable data are essential for developing evidence-based policies and programmes, as well as for monitoring countries' progress toward national goals and global commitments. Since 1995, UNICEF has supported the implementation of the Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS), assisting countries in generating high quality data on the situation of children and women. Over the last 17 years and four rounds of MICS, 240 MICS surveys have been conducted in more than 100 countries.

MICS enables countries to produce statistically sound and internationally comparable estimates of a range of indicators in the areas of health, education, child protection, water and sanitation and HIV and AIDS. For many countries, MICS surveys are among the most important sources of data used for situation analyses, policy decisions and programme interventions, and for influencing the public opinion on the situation of children and women. MICS surveys are usually carried out by government organizations, with the support and technical assistance of UNICEF. When countries adhere to the MICS protocols and recommendations and make use of the tools provided, the survey process goes very smoothly. However, in many countries, as the MICS3 evaluation also confirms, the provision of survey tools alone has not been sufficient without the additional support of experienced personnel providing technical assistance to MICS implementing partners.

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In order to ensure that the implementation of the MICS survey runs smoothly, specific deadlines are met and that the implementing partner receives the technical assistance at critical stages of the survey which is necessary to produce statistically sound reliable data, MENARO will recruit a sampling specialist to oversee the MICS sampling processes and compliance to recommendations in all MICS countries that will implement the survey between 2015-16.

As sampling is a highly technical field on which countries require a significant amount of assistance. It is essential that sampling guidance to countries is given in a standard manner and of highest quality and that countries receive the training and assistance that they need in order to develop and implement appropriate sampling strategies for the forthcoming MICS surveys.

2. OBJECTIVE AND TARGETS

Under the overall supervision of the UNICEF Regional MICS Coordinator, the Regional Sampling Consultant will be responsible for providing sampling-related technical assistance to MICS surveys in selected countries across MENA region. Due to the highly technical nature of the work involved, it is essential that experienced experts who will follow specific recommendations of the MICS programme are mobilized.

3. SCOPE OF THE WORK (WORK ASSIGNMENT)

1. As agreed with the implementing partner and country office, provide in country or remote support to review or develop the sampling plan for each MICS survey in MENA region following MICS guidelines;
2. Review or perform sample selection for all stages of selection;
3. Support countries remotely or during country visits to conduct any household listing activities that may be necessary;
4. Facilitate a sampling session during the regional Survey Design workshop and advise countries attending the workshop on their sample design;
5. Provide countries with a template for the calculation of sampling weights, and review and finalise the calculated sample weights for countries after the data collection is completed before countries proceed with the data analyses,
6. Review calculations of sampling errors;
7. Prepare or review the sampling appendix of the final survey report;
8. Respond to technical sampling queries from countries by e-mail.

4. EXPECTED DELIVERABLES

1. Depending on the country capacity and arrangements, either a report on sample design itself or a report for each sample design reviewed outlining key recommendations and proposed changes and how the design meets or does not meet MICS technical standards # within 7 days after the visit to the country or submission of the draft design by the country.
2. Country visit reports (including presentations and training materials) for each country visited # within 7 days after the visit.
3. Regional workshop trip report # within 7 days after the visit.
4. Presentations and training materials used in workshops and trainings # within 7 days after the workshop/training.
5. As applicable, report on support to household listing activities and first and second stages of sampling # within 5 days after submission by the country.

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- 6. Final sampling weights for each country # within 5 days after submission by the country
- 7. Sampling chapter of each survey final report reviewed and with proposed modifications and/or additional information required # within 5 days after submission by the country
- 8. Evidence of other distance technical support through e-mail.

9. Monthly activity log with the name of a country, type of support, date and time spent for each task specified clearly.

5. REALISTIC DELIVERY DATES AND DETAILS ON HOW THE WORK MUST BE DELIVERED
In the sampling-related areas of work, specific support is needed in the following areas:

- Sample size and design
- Sample selection
- Assessment of suitable sample frames
- Updating of sample frames
- Calculation of sample weights
- Calculation of sampling errors

6. OFFICIAL TRAVEL INVOLVED

The consultant will be expected to travel to MICS implementing countries and to facilitate at one regional MICS workshop. With the exception of visits to countries, work can be done from a remote location.

7. DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS, SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERIENCE

- At least a Master's Degree or equivalent in Demography, Statistics, Epidemiology or any related technical field with special expertise in survey sampling is required.
- At least 8 years experience in designing samples for household surveys in the region (experience in countries without recent census information is highly desirable)
- Must be familiar with the sampling methodology of MICS and/or Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS);
- Demonstrated training experience
- Experience of working in developing countries and more specifically in Middle East and North Africa
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Fluency in English and excellent oral and written communications in Arabic. Knowledge of French will be an added advantage.
- Demonstrated ability to work in a multicultural environment.
- Ability and willingness to travel to all countries across MENA Region.

8. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR EVALUATION OF RESULTS

The M&E Section in MENARO and the MICS team in UNICEF NY will provide quality assurance and oversight for the consultant's work with substantial feedback on the quality of the work in accordance with the MICS TA process.

For each assigned MICS survey country, the consultant will work in close collaboration with the UNICEF MICS Focal point, the UNICEF MICS Consultant, other UNICEF Regional Consultants, and sampling expert of the implementing partner in that country. During country visits, the consultant will be expected to implement capacity development activities with the implementing partner as required and organised by the UNICEF Country Office

9. FREQUENCY OF PERFORMANCE REVIEWS



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The work will be assessed upon completion.

10. CALL FOR PROPOSALS

11. INDICATION OF HEALTH STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATE OF GOOD HEALTH HAS BEEN RECEIVED PRIOR TO SIGNING THE CONTRACT
(for consultants/individual contractors traveling with UNICEF or working in UNICEF Office)

12. UNICEF RECOURSE IN CASE OF UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE
In case of unsatisfactory performance, the contract will be terminated after giving feedback to the consultant on his/her performance.

13. INDICATION THAT THE CONSULTANT/INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT OR. ALTERNATIVELY, AN EXPERT OF RELEVANT PROVISIONS INCLUDING THOSE CONCERNING LEGAL STATUS, OBLIGATIONS AND TITLE RIGHTS.

14. CONDITIONS

- The Regional Sampling Consultant will work from home using own equipment and stationary. During missions, UNICEF COs will provide working space for the consultant, preferably with implementing partner.
- Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) during travel will be paid as per UNICEF regulations.
- The contract may not commence unless signed by both UNICEF and the consultant.
- Consultant will be required to sign the Health statement for consultants/Individual contractor prior to taking up the assignment.
- The Form 'Designation, change or revocation of beneficiary' has to be completed by the consultant and submitted to the HR Section.
- Travels to countries in MENA region as necessary as determined in consultation with the Country Teams. During country visits, UNICEF CO will facilitate working space for the consultant (preferably at implementing agency).The consultant will also work from home. Other travels within and outside region as appropriate.
- As per UNICEF financial policy, payment is made against the days/hours worked at the daily rate specified and against the approved deliverables specified.
- The candidate selected will be governed by and subject to UNICEF's General Terms and Conditions for individual contracts.

**Incoterms & Delivery Requested
Packing**

Lead Time & Related Charges

Unit : Dimension.....x.....x.....cm	Weight.....kg	Volume.....cbm
Total: Dimension.....x.....x.....cm	Weight.....kg	Volume.....cbm

SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS

B. UNICEF SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.0 PROCEDURES AND RULES

1.1 Organizational Background

UNICEF is the agency of the United Nations mandated to advocate for the protection of children's rights, to help meet their basic needs and to expand their opportunities to reach their full potential. Guided by the Convention on the Rights of the Child UNICEF strives to establish children's rights as international standards of behaviour towards children. UNICEF's role is to mobilise political will and material resources to help countries ensure a "first call for children". UNICEF is committed to ensuring special protection for the most disadvantaged children.

1.1.1 UNICEF carries out its work through its headquarters in New York, 8 regional offices and 125 country offices world-wide. UNICEF also has a research centre in Florence, a supply operation based in Copenhagen and offices in Tokyo and Brussels. UNICEF's 37 committees raise funds and spread awareness about the organisations mission and work.

1.2 Purpose of the Request For Proposal for Services (RFP)

The purpose of this RFP is to invite proposals for MICS Regional Sampling Consultant

1.3 Forecast Schedule

The schedule of the contractual process is as follows:

- a) Closing date and time for submission of full proposal: 29.07.2015
- b) Questions to be received by: 23.07.2015
- c) Estimated date of Signature of contract: 02.08.2015
- d) Award Notice: 31.07.2015

1.4 RFP Change Policy

All requests for formal clarification or queries on this RFP must be submitted in writing to Firas Haddadin via e-mail to fhaddadin@unicef.org. Please make sure that the e-mail mentions the RFP reference number.

Only written inquiries will be entertained. Please be informed that if the question is of common interest, the answer will be shared with all potential RFP Proposers.

Erasures or other corrections in the proposal must be explained and the signature of the applicant shown alongside. All changes to a proposal must be received prior to the closing time and date. It must be clearly indicated that it is a modification and supersedes the earlier proposal, or state the changes from the original proposal. Proposals may be withdrawn on written request received from Proposers prior to the opening time and date. Proposers are expected to examine all instructions pertaining to the work. Failure to do so will be at Proposer's own risk and disadvantage.

1.5 RFP Response Format

Full proposals should be submitted in ENGLISH and must be received no later than 29.07.2015 12:00 PM to the designated email.

N.B. The Proposal must be sent for the attention of the Bid Unit of UNICEF as specified on the cover sheet of this RFP. Proposals not sent in this manner will be disqualified.

Emailed proposals must be sent to the secure email: menarobids@unicef.org later than the closing time and date.

The bids type must be clearly indicated as follows:

* Email for Technical Proposal: Name of company, RFP number # #Technical Proposal#

* Email for Price Proposal: Name of company, RFP number # #Price Proposal#

Proposals received in any other manner will be invalidated.

Offers delivered at a different email address or in a different form than prescribed in this RFP, or which do not respect the required confidentiality, or received after the designated time and date, will be rejected.

All references to descriptive materials should be included in the appropriate response paragraph, though the material/documents themselves may be provided as annexes to the proposal/response.

The Proposer must also provide sufficient information in the proposal to address each area of the Proposal Evaluation Criteria as presented in this document to allow the evaluation team to make a fair assessment of the candidates and their proposal.

1.6 Proposer's Response

1.6.1 Formal submission requirements

The formal submission requirements as outlined in this Request for Proposal for Services must be followed, e.g. regarding form and timing of submission, marking of the emails, no price information in the technical proposal, etc.

1.6.2 Proposal Form

The completed and signed Proposal form must be submitted together with the proposal.

1.6.3 Mandatory criteria

All mandatory (i.e. must/have to/shall/will) criteria mentioned throughout this Request for Proposal for Services have to be addressed and met in your proposal.

1.6.4 Technical Proposal

The technical proposal should address all aspects and criteria outlined in this Request for Proposal for Services, especially in its statement of work, terms of reference and evaluation criteria of this Request for Proposal for Services. However, all these requirements represent a wish list from UNICEF. The Proposers are free to suggest/ propose any other solution. UNICEF welcomes new ideas and innovative approaches.

No price information should be contained in the technical proposal.

1.6.5 Price Proposal

The price proposal should be as per but not limited to the requirements contained in the statement of work and terms of reference of this Request for Proposal for Services.

1.6.6 Checklist for submission of proposals

* Proposal form filled in and signed

* Email for technical proposal

- Technical proposal
- Technical proposal does not contain prices
- Email is marked as follows:
- Name of company, RFP number # #Technical Proposal#, UNICEF MENARO, Bid Section
- * Email for price proposal
- Price proposal
- Email is marked as follows:
- Name of company, RFP number # #Price Proposal#, UNICEF MENARO, Bid Section

1.7 Confidential Information
Information, which the Proposer considers proprietary, should be clearly marked "proprietary", if any, next to the relevant part of the text, and UNICEF will treat such information accordingly.

1.8 Rights of UNICEF
UNICEF reserves the right to accept any proposal, in whole or in part; or, to reject any or all proposals. UNICEF reserves the right to invalidate any Proposal received from a Proposer who has previously failed to perform properly or complete contracts on time, or a Proposal received from a Proposer who, in the opinion of UNICEF, is not in a position to perform the contract. UNICEF shall not be held responsible for any cost incurred by the Proposer in preparing the response to this Request for Proposal. The Proposer agrees to be bound by the decision of UNICEF as to whether her/his proposal meets the requirements stated in this Request for Proposal. Specifically, UNICEF reserves the right to:

- contact any or all references supplied by the Proposer(s);
- request additional supporting or supplementary data (from the Proposer(s));
- arrange interviews with the Proposer(s);
- reject any or all proposals submitted;
- accept any proposals in whole or in part;
- negotiate with the service provider(s) who has/have attained the best rating/ranking, i.e. the one(s) providing the overall best value proposal(s);
- contract any number of candidates as required to achieve the overall evaluation objectives.

1.9 Proposal Opening
Due to the nature of this RFP, there will be no public opening of proposals.

1.10 Proposal Evaluation
After the opening of proposals, each proposal will be assessed first on its technical merits and subsequently on its price. The proposal with the best overall value, composed of technical merit and price, will be recommended for approval. UNICEF will set up an evaluation panel composed of technical UNICEF staff and their conclusions will be forwarded to the Contracting Centre where the commercial evaluation will be done of proposals that have reached the minimum technical score required.

The evaluation panel will first evaluate each response for compliance with the requirements of this RFP. Responses deemed not to meet all of the mandatory requirements will be considered non-compliant and rejected at this stage without further consideration. Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions contained in this RFP, including provision of all required information, may result in a response or proposal being disqualified from further consideration.

The responses to the RFP should include and will be evaluated against the following:

a) Technical Evaluation

Overall Response (5 points)

- general adherence to Terms of Reference and tender requirements

b) Key Personnel (60 points)

- Individual meet academic requirements
 - Individual meets minimum 8 years of experience
 - At least 8 years experience in designing samples for household surveys in the region (experience in countries without recent census information is highly desirable)
- Must be familiar with the sampling methodology of MICS and/or Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS);
Demonstrated training experience;
- Experience of working in developing countries;
 - Fluency in English and excellent oral and written communications in Arabic is required. Knowledge of French will be an added advantage
- Ability and willingness to travel to all countries across MENA Region

c) Proposed methodology and approach (5 points)

- deliverables are addressed as per TOR
- proposed timelines are met

Total Maximum 70 Points

Only proposals which receive a minimum of 49 points will be considered further.

The evaluation criteria will be a split between technical and commercial scores (a 70/ 30 split).

Technical scores to be given based on the above mentioned desired deliverables, whereas commercial scores will relate to price.

b) Price Proposal

The total amount of points allocated for the price component is 30. The maximum number of points will be allotted to the lowest price proposal that is opened and compared among those invited firms/institutions which obtain the threshold points in the evaluation of the technical component. All other price proposals will receive points in inverse proportion to the lowest price; e.g.:

Score for price proposal X = [Max. score for price proposal ([30 Points) * Price of lowest priced proposal] / Price of proposal X

Total obtainable Technical and Price points: 100

UNICEF will award the contract to the vendor whose response is of high quality, clear and meets the projects goals, including:

The price/cost of each of the technically compliant proposals shall be considered only upon evaluation of the above technical criteria.

The Proposers should ensure that all pricing information is provided in accordance with the following:

The currency of the proposal shall be in US\$. Invoicing will be in the currency of the proposal. The Proposer will suggest a payment schedule for the Contract, linked to unambiguous Contract milestones. All prices/rates quoted must be exclusive of all taxes as

UNICEF is a tax-exempt organization.

1.11 Property of UNICEF

This RFP, along with any responses there to, shall be considered the property of UNICEF and the proposals will not be returned to their originators. In submitting this proposal the Proposer will accept the decision of UNICEF as to whether the proposal meets the requirements stated in this RFP.

1.12 Validity

Proposal must be valid for a minimum of ninety (90) days from the date of opening of this RFP and must be signed by all candidates included in the submission. For proposals from institutions, the proposal must also be signed by an authorized representative of the institution. Proposers are requested to indicate the validity period of their proposal in the Proposal Form. UNICEF may also request for an extension of the validity of the proposal.

1.13 Full right to use and sell

The Proposer warrants that it has not and shall not enter into any agreement or arrangement that restrains or restricts UNICEF rights to use, sell, dispose of or, otherwise, deal with any service or outcome that may be acquired under any resulting Contract.

1.14 Payment Terms

Payment will be made only upon UNICEF's acceptance of the work performed. The terms of payment are Net 30 days, after receipt of invoice and acceptance of work. Payment will be effected by bank transfer in the currency of billing. Financial proposals should include any offered discounts based on earlier payment, if available. The proposer may offer early payment discounts, i.e. payment within a specific period of time faster than UNICEF's standard payment terms of 30 days.

1.15 Contractual Terms and Conditions

The UNICEF General Terms and Conditions for Services are attached and will form part of any contract resulting from this RFP.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. ACCEPTANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER

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

B. PAYMENT

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

C. TAX EXEMPTION

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

D. EXPORT LICENCES

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

E. RISK OF LOSS Notwithstanding any INCOTERM used in this Purchase Order, risk of loss, damage to or destruction of the goods shall be borne by the Supplier until physical delivery of the goods to the consignee has been completed in accordance with the terms of this Purchase Order.

F. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

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

G. INSPECTION

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

H. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

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

I. RIGHTS OF UNICEF

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

1. Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNICEF may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
2. Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.
3. Terminate this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNICEF.

J. LATE DELIVERY

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

K. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

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

L. USE OF UNICEF OR UN NAME OR EMBLEM

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

M. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

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

N. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Amicable Settlement

The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof. Where the Parties wish to seek such an amicable settlement through conciliation, the conciliation shall take place in accordance with the UNCITRAL Conciliation Rules then obtaining, or according to such other procedure as may be agreed between the Parties.

Arbitration

Unless, any such dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof is settled amicably under the preceding paragraph of this Section within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement, such dispute, controversy or claim shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such controversy, claim or dispute.

O. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

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

P. CHILD LABOUR

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is engaged in any practice inconsistent with the rights set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, including Article 32 thereof, which, inter alia, requires that a child shall be protected from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development. Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNICEF to terminate the Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNICEF.

Q. MINES

The Supplier guarantees that neither the Supplier's company, nor any of its affiliates, nor any subsidiaries controlled by its company, is engaged in the sale or manufacture of antipersonnel mines or of components utilized in the manufacture of anti-personnel mines. The Supplier recognizes that a breach of this provision will entitle UNICEF to terminate its supply contract with the Supplier.

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