



CLARIFICATION 1

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ޕްރޮޖެކްޓް ނަންބަރު Project:	Procurement of 20 Manageable Switches (48 ports), 24 Port Manageable Switch for Atolls, SD-WAN Connectivity Hardware and Firewalls		
ޕްރޮޖެކްޓް ނަންބަރު Issued Date	05 <sup>th</sup> February 2024		
ސަފުޙާ ގެ ޕޭޖް ގެ ޕްރޮޖެކްޓް ނަންބަރު No. of Pages: -04	ބޯޕް ގެ ޕްރޮޖެކްޓް ނަންބަރު Boq: -00	ޑްރޯޕިންގް ގެ ޕްރޮޖެކްޓް ނަންބަރު Drawings: -00	

Please include this clarification when submitting the bid

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- Please find attached, answers to the queries received.



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Signature:

## CLARIFICATION 01

#	Document Name	Document Reference	Query	Response
1			<p>In the ITB 11.1 is written:</p> <p>3. Copy of tax certificate of foreign companies who are already engaged in any work in Maldives, or have re-registered their entity in the Maldives, or have incorporated a company in Maldives, and eligible to pay local taxes under tax regulations of the Maldives. Winning bidder shall be eligible to pay local taxes under tax regulations of the Maldives. For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.mira.gov.mv/">https://www.mira.gov.mv/</a></p> <p>Is the registration at Maldives tax regulation compulsory for any bidder who intend to participate at this tender? Is it compulsory for a foreign company proceed with the registration at Maldives tax regulations?</p> <p>Can you specify the amount of taxes that should be applicable in a eventual supply of the goods considering that the delivery should be DAP?</p>	<p>Bidders who are not registered in the Maldives can also participate in this tender and does not need to register at this stage. If the bidder is awarded with the contract the bidder is liable to pay 10% withholding tax to the government.</p>



2			<p>To: Ministry of Finance</p> <p>We, the undersigned, declare that:</p> <p>(a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) 8.</p> <p>(b) We acknowledge that we have read and understand ADB's Anticorruption Policy (1998) and Integrity Principles and Guidelines (2015), both as amended from time to time.</p> <p>(c) We offer to supply in conformity with the Bidding Documents and in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in Section 6 (Schedule of Supply), the following Goods and Related Services: [insert a brief description of the goods and related services]</p> <p>(d) The total price of our Bid, excluding any discounts offered in item (d) below, is</p> <div style="border: 2px solid yellow; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>[amount of foreign currency in words], [amount in figures], and [amount of local currency in words], [amount in figures]</p> <p>The total bid price from the price schedules should be entered by the bidder inside this box. Absence of the total bid price in the Bid Submission Sheet may result in the rejection of the bid.</p> </div> <p>(e) The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are as follows:</p> <p>Discounts: If our Bid is accepted, the following discounts shall apply: [specify in detail each discount offered and the specific item of the Schedule of Supply to which it applies]</p> <p>Methodology of Application of the Discounts: The discounts shall be applied using the following</p> <p>Please clarify in which currency we should quote, Maldivian or USD, or both?</p>	Foreign parties can quote in USD/EUR/GBP
3			The requirement mentions a cloud management platform for the devices. Should we include FortiManager cloud (SAAS service from Fortinet) for this requirement?	An official cloud management platform with license for given number of years (refer to technical specifications) must be provided.
4			The firewalls have been requested with 2 years warranty/subscription but the cloud management platform mentions 3 years. Can you confirm the duration?	Cloud management license for 2 years. Local vendor On-site technical support for 3 year (refer to "System maintenance and support services will include the following activities." of technical specification for conditions and terms of vendor technical support)
5			There is no mention of a logging and reporting component in the requirement. Please confirm if you require a FortiAnalyzer?	all reputed products meeting the necessary technical requirements are accepted.





6			As per the requirement, the 100F firewalls should be quoted with UTP licenses and the 40F-3G4G firewalls should be quoted only with FortiCare. Please confirm.	all reputed products meeting the necessary technical requirements are accepted.
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