JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION (OVERSEAS CONTRACTING ACTIVITIES)

1. I recommend that Embassy Djibouti use other than full and open competition for the acquisition of Privacy Fence for MSGQ. The estimated cost is $45,688.35.

2. Nature and/or description of the action being approved.

The action is to acquire Wooden Fence for MSGQ.

3. A description of the supplies or services required to meet the agency’s needs.

The materials needed are Wooden Type of Fence manufactured by Papirus. There are already existing types of wooden fence at the GYM areas.

4. An identification of the statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition.

The requirements for a justification for other than full and open competition (JOFOC) to support use of these authorities are in FAR 48 CFR 6.303 and 48 CFR 6.304 plus the Department of State Acquisition Regulation DOSAR 48 CFR 606.303 and 48 CFR 606.304.

5. A demonstration that the proposed contractor's unique qualifications or the nature of the acquisition requires use of the authority cited (for sole source acquisitions; also required for unusual and compelling urgency where more than one offer will not be solicited).

The hardware acquisition is a very specialized market, with the equipment manufacturer having exclusive the same materials and requirement needed. The proposed vendor is the most specialized and one providing proper wooden fences as the initial project during the construction.

6. A description of efforts made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as is practicable. The description should include whether a FedBizOpps notice was or will be publicized, as required by FAR 5.2, and if not, which exception under FAR 5.202 applies (e.g., blanket waiver provided in DOSAR 605.202-70).

14 FAH-2 H-225.1b applies. Procurement is under $150,000 and post is overseas, therefore, a blanket advertising waiver was provided by the Assistant Secretary for Administration.

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7. A determination by the Contracting Officer that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable.

Based on the solicited quotes, and OBO subject matter experts’ recommendation, the CO has confirmed the quoted prices are fair and reasonable.

8. A description of the market survey conducted and the results or a statement of the reasons a market survey was not conducted.

Post reached out to local, overseas, and continental US vendors. Local vendors have not the materials and expertise to the request for quotes.

9. Any other facts supporting the use of other than full and open competition.

The proposed vendor is the same company that has already designed the embassy existing wooden trellis, and which will decrease lead times to replace/order this infrastructure requirement.

10. A listing of sources, if any that expressed, in writing, an interest in the acquisition.

11. A statement of the actions, if any, the agency may take to remove or overcome any barriers to competition before any subsequent acquisition for the supplies or services required.

None. The required Wooden fence, this fence is not supplied by other company. These fences are manufactured and supplied by this vendor. The price variations are minimal and due to distributor overhead costs.
CERTIFICATIONS

I certify that this justification is accurate and contains complete data necessary to support the recommendation for other than full and open competition.

5-30-22
Date

OMAR R. CHING
FACILITY MANAGER

Requirements Office

I certify that this submission is accurate, and that it contains complete information necessary to enable other officials to make an informed recommendation for approval or disapproval.

5-30-22
Date

Contracting Officer