INVITATION TO BID FOR SERVICES

LIBS-2019-9147892

04 April 2019

UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF)

Wishes to invite you to submit a bid for

Travel and Event Management for training on "Child Support Programme", 3rd round (Child Protection)
29 April-3 May 2019, Antalya
PRQ ref: 38452451

SEALED Proposals should be sent to:
UNICEF Ankara
Supply Unit
Yukarı Dikmen Mahallesi, Turan Gunes Bulvari, No: 106, Yildiz Kule Cankaya-Ankara/Turkey

PRQ ref: 38452451

IMPORTANT - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION:
The Proposals MUST be received at the above address at the latest by Thursday, 11 April 2019 at or before 17:00pm. Due to the nature of this ITB, there will be no public opening of proposals. Proposals received after the stipulated date and time will be invalidated.

Bids received in any other manner (e.g. FAX or Mail) will be INVALIDATED. Only the bids meeting item specifications and the requested quality asked by UNICEF will be accepted.

It is important that you read all the provisions of the bid, to ensure that you understand UNICEF's requirements and can submit an offer in compliance with them. Note that failure to provide compliant offers may result in invalidation of your bid.

PRICES:
-All prices must be quoted in Turkish Lira (TL) excluding TAXES and VAT (Value Added Tax).

* All requests for formal clarification or queries on this tender must be submitted in writing to
Supply Unit via e-mail:
-turkeyprocurement@unicef.org
Please make sure that the e-mail mentions the LIBS 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 LIBS bidders.
THIS INVITATION TO BID FOR SERVICES HAS BEEN:

Prepared By:

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Approved By:

Fahmida Omar

Date: 4.4.2019

Date: 4 April 2019
INVITATION TO BID FOR SERVICES FORM

This FORM must be completed, signed and returned to UNICEF. The Bid must be made in accordance with the instructions contained in this Invitation to Bid for Services (ITBS).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT
Any Contract resulting from this ITBS shall contain UNICEF General Terms and Conditions for Institutional and Corporate Contracts and any other Specific Terms and Conditions detailed in this ITBS.

INFORMATION
Any request for information regarding this ITBS must be forwarded by email to the person who prepared this document, with specific reference to the ITBS number.

The Undersigned, having read the Terms and Conditions of ITBS No. LIBS-2019-9147892 set out in the attached document, hereby offers to execute the services specified in this document.

Signature: 

Date:

Name & Title:

Company:

Postal Address:

Tel No:

Fax No:

E-mail Address:

Currency of Proposal:

Validity of Proposal:

Please indicate 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_____ 

Other Trade Discounts: 

________________________________________
UNICEF and Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Services are working to provide primary child protection services such as identification, assessment, and referral through outreach teams to vulnerable refugee children and families by supporting Social Services Centers (SSCs) and Family Support Teams (ASDEPs), to strengthen the technical capacity of relevant staff and developing specialized materials to facilitate the provision of child and family-focused psycho-social service.

In the framework of this response, a training on #Child Support Program# will be organized by UNICEF. In total, 70 participants from the Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Services will attend the training. The workshop will be held in Antalya between 29 April - 3 May 2019. 70 participants will be staying at the hotel where the meeting will be held. Type of the accommodation is full board. 66 participants will be accommodated in double rooms and 4 participants will be accommodated in single rooms. The training is a 5 days event with two coffee breaks per day. There should be 1 large conference hall with theatre sitting arrangement for training opening and closure, and joint sessions; and 2 workshop rooms with roundtable sitting arrangements for group training sessions. The participants staying at the hotel will have breakfast, lunch and dinner at the hotel. Therefore, the selected hotel should provide 4 full board single rooms and 33 full board double rooms. There will be participants attending from different provinces. Travel arrangements of 70 participants will be arranged by the selected company. Additionally, two-way Havas travel costs in hometown will be reimbursed by the selected travel agency and added in the estimated & final budget. The number of days for accommodation at the selected hotel may vary depending on the schedule of flights from the provinces. The hotel name should be provided in the TECHNICAL offer and the original price proposal of the proposed hotel shall be submitted in the price proposal. Please see the financial offer template and workshop request form for details.

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at or before 17:00pm. Due to the nature of this ITB, there will be no public opening of proposals.
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Full proposals should be submitted in ENGLISH and must be received NOT LATER THAN the
closure date and time as one (1) original and three (3) copies, original one duly signed and
dated.

Bidders must submit a sealed proposal, ensuring separate sealed envelopes:
a) for the Technical Proposal (one (1) original and three (3) copies), and
b) for the Price Proposal (one (1) original and three (3) copies)

All technical proposals (one (1) original and three (3) copies) in one big sealed envelope.

The price proposals (one (1) original and three (3) copies) must be submitted in one big sealed
envelope separate from the rest of the technical proposals. Prices or rates should not appear in
any other part of the proposal.

The big sealed envelope containing the technical proposals and the financial proposals should
then put together in a securely closed sealed envelope and dispatched to arrive at the UNICEF
office indicated no later than the closing time and date. They must be clearly marked as follows:

- Outer envelope:
  Name of company/bidder
  Relevant LIBS number

- Inner envelope-technical proposal: Name of company/bidder,
  LIBS number-Ref: Technical Proposal

- Inner envelope-price proposal: Name of company,
  LIBS number-Ref: Price Proposal

Proposals received in any other manner will be invalidated.

Sealed proposals received prior to the stated closing time and date will be kept unopened. The
responsible officers will open the technical proposals after the specified time and no proposal
received thereafter will be considered. UNICEF will accept no responsibility for the premature
opening of a proposal not properly addressed or identified. Any delays encountered in the mail
delivery will be at the risk of the bidder.

Offers delivered at a different address or in a different form than prescribed in this LIBS, 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 bidder must also provide sufficient information in the proposal to address each area of the Proposal Evaluation to allow the evaluation team to make a fair assessment of the candidates and their proposal.

It is important that you read all of the provisions of the invitation to bid (for services), to ensure that you understand UNICEF's requirements and can submit a proposal in compliance with them. Note that failure to provide compliant proposals may result in invalidation of your proposal.

Please note that following documentation shall be submitted:

A) GENERAL DOCUMENTATION TO BE PROVIDED BY THE SUBMITTERS:
   a. Statement by the legal representative of the company/institution indicating the acceptance of conditions specified in this ITB and its annexes, attachments.
   b. Page 3 of this ITB document titled "Bid Form" should be filled in, duly signed and attached to the price proposal.
   c. The organizational chart of the company
   d. Location of offices or agents relevant to UNICEF

B) LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY THE SUBMITTERS:
   a. Copy of the document (trade registration gazette) that proves the constitution of the company
   b. Copy of Power of Attorney to sign, provide proposal and to represent the Company in any feature dealing with the procuring UNICEF entity
   c. "A" Class Travel Agency Certificate
   d. IATA Membership Certificate
   e. Registration to Chamber of Commerce and Membership to any Association in Turkey or Abroad

C) TRAVEL AGENCIES' RESPONSE PLAN FOR THE EVENT:
Please provide the step by step detailed explanation of how your company would execute the event as of the contract award, including your approach, execution, methodology and any other relevant aspects related with the event. All payments to 3rd parties shall be done by the travel agency no later than 1 week upon the payment of UNICEF.

The submitter should give the name of the proposed hotel for the event. The proposed hotels need to be selected among the UNDSS recommended hotels list (annexed to the ITB)

D) HUMAN RESOURCES:
CVs of the following Human Resources proposed by the Offeror must be submitted:
- Event Manager 3 Host/Hostess

E) WORK EXPERIENCE:
List of similar work experiences minimum 3
(Information about the similar work experiences must be provided in detail including the purpose, owner/s of the events, scale of the event, total budgets, etc.)

F) FINANCIAL PROPOSAL (Lowest-priced technically compliant offer)
The offerors must submit their financial proposals using the "Template for Estimated Budget Breakdown". If there are additional cost items foreseen by the offeror, new lines can be added in the template.

**The contract will be awarded to the vendor who submitted the technically compliant proposal with the lowest price.

FOR INQUIRIES:
Any request for additional information and queries regarding this INVITATION must be addressed to Supply Unit. Email: turkeyprocurement@unicef.org

Please make sure that the e-mail mentions the LIBS 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 LIBS bidders.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

UNICEF Turkey Special Terms and Conditions

1. UNICEF does not make any advance payments. For large orders, if specifically requested in the supplier’s offer, UNICEF may make partial payments for partial deliveries. Payments shall be made in Turkish Lira on the basis of UN monthly exchange rate effective on the date of payment upon satisfactory delivery of goods as described in the PO & distribution list, and Invoice(s) with the evidence of goods receipts signed by the authorized officer(s).

2. UNICEF is exempted from VAT (Value added Tax) and payments are made excluding VAT. Therefore, the invoice should be prepared excluding VAT by the supplier.

3. UNICEF only purchases from suppliers legally registered with the Government of Turkey, and only issues Purchase Orders (PO) in the registered name - and not in the name of an individual working in the company.

4. UNICEF will only make payments in the name of the company mentioned on the PO, and not in the name of an individual working in the company. UNICEF will not issue non-crossed cheques.

5. UNICEF only purchases genuine supplies, and item that are agreed/approved in the RFQ/ITB. Any supplier found to be delivering imitation/fake supplies, and does not correspond to the offer will be blacklisted.

6. The quantities and specifications mentioned in the PO must be adhered to and cannot be changed or amended without specific permission from UNICEF Supply Section.

7. UNICEF does not charge a fee for the bidding documents. Therefore, any cost occurred as a result of the business activities during the solicitation process is the responsibility of the bidders.

8. No UNICEF staff shall benefit in any way from the award of any UNICEF contract. Any supplier offering any inducement to any UNICEF staff will be blacklisted. Suppliers must report any incidence of a UNICEF staff requesting benefit from the award of a UNICEF contract.

9. The policy of UNICEF is not to accept offers of gifts or hospitality. Suppliers are requested to respect this policy and refrain from offering any gift or hospitality to UNICEF staff.

10. For delivery late or items which do not meet UNICEF’s specifications and is therefore rejected by UNICEF, UNICEF shall be entitled to claim liquidated damages from the Contractor and deduct 0.5% of the value of the goods pursuant to a Purchase Order per additional day of delay, up to a maximum of 10% of the value of the Purchase Order. The payment or deduction
of such liquidated damages shall not relieve the Contractor from any of its other obligations or liabilities pursuant to this Purchase Order

11. UNICEF purchase orders are subject to pre-delivery inspection. UNICEF reserves the right to contract an agency to conduct pre-delivery inspection at the suppliers' premises prior to dispatch. The supplier shall permit UNICEF or its authorized representative to have full access to the suppliers' facilities at all reasonable times to inspect the goods, and shall assist the representative for such inspection, including copies of any test results or quality control reports as may be necessary. The supplier will be required to notify UNICEF or its authorized/appointed inspection agency in writing at least 7 (seven) days in advance of the proposed date for pre-delivery inspection. Such inspection(s), if conducted, do not relieve the supplier from his contractual obligations or guarantee acceptance of the goods. The supplier must ensure that the product delivered complies with specifications contained in the UNICEF purchase order.
INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

1. MARKING AND RETURNING BIDS

1.1. Bids shall be submitted in the manner specified earlier in this solicitation document. Detailed submission guidance at paragraphs 1.5, 1.6 and/or 1.7 should then be followed accordingly.

1.2. The Bid Form/Invitation to Bid for Services Form must be signed, and submitted together with the Bid. The Bid Form/Invitation to Bid for Services Form should be signed by the duly authorized representative of the submitting company.

1.3. Bids must be clearly marked with the ITB(S) number and the name of the company submitting the bid.

1.4. Bidders should note that Bids received in the following manner will be invalidated:

a) with incorrect (as applicable) postal address, email address or fax number;
b) received after the stipulated closing time and date;
c) failure to quote in the currency(ies) stated in the ITB(S);
d) in a different form than prescribed in the ITB(S).

1.5. Sealed bids (as applicable)

1.5.1. See paragraph 1.1 above concerning applicability of this paragraph.

1.5.2. The Bid must be sent for the attention of the unit and address as specified in this solicitation document. Bids not sent in this manner will be disqualified.

1.5.3. Sealed bids (1 original and 2 copies) must be securely closed in a suitable envelope (marked with the ITB(S) number and the name of the company submitting the bid) and dispatched to arrive at the UNICEF office indicated no later than the closing time and date. Bids received in any other manner will be invalidated.

1.5.4. Any delays encountered in the mail delivery will be at the risk of the Bidder.

1.5.5. In case of any discrepancies between the original bid and a copy, the original will prevail.

1.6. Faxed bids (as applicable)

1.6.1. See paragraph 1.1 above concerning applicability of this paragraph.

1.6.2. Faxed bids must be returned to the ONLY ACCEPTABLE FAX NUMBER for Bids as specified in this solicitation document. Bidders should note that Bids received at any other fax number will be invalidated.

1.7. E-mailed bids (as applicable)

1.7.1. See paragraph 1.1 above concerning applicability of this paragraph.

1.7.2. All e-mailed Bids must be submitted to the ONLY ACCEPTABLE E-MAIL ADDRESS as specified in this solicitation document. No other recipient should be "Cc" or "Bcc" in the e-mail submission. Bids received in any other manner will be invalidated.

1.7.3. All Bids submitted by e-mail must be submitted as email attachments. Email links (e.g. to documents to be downloaded from cloud based folders) are not acceptable unless otherwise specifically requested. Bids submitted as a link or through a link will be invalidated.

2. OPENING OF BIDS

2.1. Bids received prior to the stated closing time and date will be kept unopened. UNICEF will open Bids when the specified time has arrived and no Bid received thereafter will be considered.

2.2. UNICEF will accept no responsibility for the premature opening of a Bid which is not properly addressed or identified.

2.3. Bidders, or their authorized representative, may attend the public opening of the Bid at the time, date and location specified. Bidders should note that the Bid Opening is the only time and place where information related to pricing from competitors is available.

3. UNGM REGISTRATION

3.1. UNICEF is part of the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM). Accordingly, all bidders are encouraged to become a UNICEF vendor by creating a vendor profile in the UNGM website: www.ungm.org

4. AWARD NOTIFICATION

4.1. UNICEF reserves the right to make a public notification of the outcome of an ITB(S) advising product/service, awarded supplier and total value of award.
ANNEX A
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (Services)

Definitions and UNICEF Supply Website

1.1 In these General Terms and Conditions (Services), the following terms have the following meanings:

"Affiliates" means, with respect to the Contractor, any of its corporate affiliates or associates, including parent entities, subsidiaries, and other entities in which it owns a substantial interest.

"Confidential Information" means information or data that is designated as confidential at the time of exchange between the Parties or promptly identified as confidential in writing when furnished in intangible form or disclosed orally, and includes information, the confidential or proprietary nature of which, or is or should be reasonably apparent from its inherent nature, quality or characteristics of such information.

"Contract" means the services contract that incorporates these General Terms and Conditions of Contract (Services). It includes contracts for services issued by UNICEF, whether or not they are issued under a long-term arrangement or similar contract.

"Contractor" means the contractor named in the Contract.

"Deliverables" means the work product and other output of the Services required to be delivered by Contractor as part of the Services, as specified in the relevant section of the Contract.

"Disabling Code" means any virus, backdoor, trojan or other limiting malware, instruction or design, or other malicious, illicit or illicitly or unreasonably used that may have the consequence (whether by design or unintentionally) of disrupting, disabling, harming, circumventing security controls or otherwise impeding in any manner the normal operation or performance of (i) any software or service or (ii) any UNICEF Information System or network.

"End User" means, in the event that the Services or Deliverables involve the use of any information systems, any and all UNICEF employees, contractors and other personnel and any other external users collaborating with UNICEF, in each case authorized by UNICEF to access and use the Services and/or Deliverables.

"Fee" is defined in Article 3.1.

"Host Government" means a Government with which UNICEF has a programme of development cooperation, and includes a Government of a country in which UNICEF provides humanitarian assistance.

Contractor’s “Key Personnel” are: (i) Personnel identified in the proposal as key individuals (as a minimum, partners, managers, senior members) to be assigned for participation in the performance of the Contract, (ii) Participants whose resources were submitted with the proposal; and (iii) individuals who are designated as key personnel by agreement of the Contractor and UNICEF during negotiations.

"Parties" means the Contractor and UNICEF together and a “Party” means each of the Contractor and UNICEF.

Contractor’s "Personnel" means the Contractor’s officials, employees, agents, individual sub-contractors and other representatives.

"Security Incident" means, with respect to any information system, services or network used in the delivery of the Services or Deliverables, use or occurrence that (i) results in a breach of the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of the UNICEF Information System or network or of any portion thereof, or (ii) compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of the UNICEF Data, or the ability of UNICEF or End Users to access the UNICEF Data.

"Services" means the services specified in the relevant section of the Contract.

"UNICEF Data" means any and all information or data in digital form or processed or held in digital form that (a) are provided to the Contractor by, or on behalf of, UNICEF and/or End Users under the Contract or through UNICEF’s and/or End Users’ use of the Services or in connection with the Services, or (b) are collected by the Contractor in the performance of the Contract.

"UNICEF Supply Website" means UNICEF’s public access webpage available at http://www.unicef.org/supply/index.htm, as may be updated from time to time.

1.2 These General Terms and Conditions of Contract, UNICEF’s Policy Prohibiting and Combating Fraud and Corruption, the UNICEF Policy on Conflict Preventing the Protection and Safeguarding of Children, the UN Supplier Code of Conduct and UNICEF’s Information Disclosure Policy referred to in the Contract, as well as other policies applicable to the Contractor, are publicly available on the UNICEF Supply Website. The Contractor represents that it has reviewed all such policies as of the effective date of the Contract.

2. Provision of Services and Deliverables; Contractor’s Personnel; Sub-Contractors

2.1 The Contractor will provide the Services and deliver the Deliverables in accordance with the scope of work set out in the Contract, including, but not limited to, the time for delivery of the Services and Deliverables, and to UNICEF’s satisfaction. Except as expressly provided in the Contract, the Contractor will be responsible at its sole cost for providing all the necessary personnel, equipment, materials and supplies and for meeting all arrangements necessary for the performance and completion of the Services and delivery of the Deliverables under the Contract.

2.2 The Contractor acknowledges that, other than as expressly set out in the Contract, UNICEF will have no obligation to provide any assistance to the Contractor and UNICEF makes no representations as to the availability of any facilities, equipment, materials, system or licence which may be helpful or useful for the performance of the Contractor’s obligations under the Contract. If UNICEF provides access to and use of UNICEF premises, facilities or systems (whether on site or remotely) in the performance of the purposes for which the Contractor will be required to provide, the Contractor will ensure that its Personnel or sub-contractors, at all times (a) use such access exclusively for the specific purpose for which the access has been granted and (b) comply with UNICEF’s security and other regulations and instructions for such access and use, including, but not limited to, UNICEF’s Information Security policies. The Contractor will ensure that only those of its Personnel that have been authorized by the Contractor, and approved by UNICEF, have access to UNICEF’s premises, facilities or systems.

2.3 The Contractor will use its best efforts to accommodate reasonable requests for changes (if any) to the scope of work of the Services or time for provision of the Services or delivery of the Deliverables. If UNICEF requests any material change to the scope of work or time for delivery, UNICEF and the Contractor will negotiate any necessary changes to the Contract, including, as to the Fee and the time schedule under the Contract. Any such agreed changes will become effective only when they are set out in a written amendment to the Contract signed by both UNICEF and the Contractor. Should the Parties fail to agree on any such changes within thirty (30) days, UNICEF will have the option to terminate the Contract without penalty notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract.

2.4 The Contractor will neither seek nor accept instructions from any entity other than UNICEF for entities authorized by UNICEF to give instructions to the Contractor in connection with the provision of the Services or development and delivery of the Deliverables.

2.5 Title to any equipment and supplies which may be provided to the Contractor by UNICEF, will remain with UNICEF. Such equipment and supplies will be returned to UNICEF at the conclusion of the Contract or when no longer needed by the Contractor in the same condition as when they were provided to the Contractor, subject to normal wear and tear. The Contractor will pay UNICEF the value of any loss of, damage to, or deprecation of, the equipment and supplies beyond normal wear and tear.

Non-confidential Services and Consequences of Delay

2.6 If the Contractor determines it will be unable to provide the Services or deliver the Deliverables by the due date stated in the Contract, the Contractor will (i) immediately consult with UNICEF to determine the most expedient means for delivery of the Services and Deliverables; and (ii) take all necessary action to expedite delivery of the Services and Deliverables, at the Contractor’s cost (unless the delay is due to force majeure as defined in Article 6.8 below), if reasonably so requested by UNICEF.

2.7 The Contractor acknowledges that UNICEF may terminate the Contractor’s performance under
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the Contractor may not, or at any time evaluate the quality of the Services provided and the Deliverables to determine whether they are not the Services and Deliverables conform to the Contract. The Contractor agrees to provide its full cooperation with such performance monitoring and evaluation, at no additional cost to or expense to UNICEF, and will provide relevant information as reasonably requested by UNICEF, including, but not limited to, the date of receipt of the Contract, detailed status updates, costs to be charged and payments made by UNICEF or pending. Neither the evaluation of the Services and Deliverables, nor failure to undertake any such evaluation, will relieve the Contractor of any of its warranties or other obligations under the Contract.

2.8 If the Services or Deliverables provided by the Contractor do not conform to the requirements of the Contract or are delivered late or incomplete, without prejudice to any of its other rights and remedies, UNICEF can, at its option:
(a) by written notice, require the Contractor, at the Contractor's expense, to remedy its performance, including any deficiencies in the Deliverables, to UNICEF's satisfaction within thirty (30) days after receipt of UNICEF's notice for within such shorter period as UNICEF may determine, in its sole discretion, as necessary as specified in the notice;
(b) require the Contractor to refund all payments (if any) made by UNICEF in respect of such non-conformities or incomplete performance;
(c) procure all or part of the Services and/or Deliverables from other sources, and require the Contractor to pay UNICEF for any additional cost beyond the balance of the Fee for such Services and Deliverables;
(d) give written notice to terminate the Contract for breach, in accordance with Article 6.1 below, if the Contractor fails to remedy the breach within the cure period specified in Article 6.1 or if the breach is not capable of remedy;
(e) require the Contractor to pay liquidated damages as set out in the Contract.

2.9 Further to Article 11.5 below, the Contractor expressly acknowledges that if UNICEF takes delivery of Services or Deliverables that have been delivered late or otherwise not in full compliance with the requirements of the Contract, this does not constitute a waiver of UNICEF's rights in respect of such late or non-compliant performance.

Contractor's Personnel and Sub-Contractors

2.10 The following provisions apply with regard to the Contractor's Personnel:
(a) The provisions of Article 7 (Ethical Standards) will apply to the Contractor's Personnel as expressly stated in Article 7.
(b) The Contractor will be responsible for the professional and technical competence of the Personnel it assigns to perform work under the Contract and will select professionally qualified, competent and experienced individuals who will be able to effectively perform the obligations under the Contract and who, while doing so, will respect the local laws and customs and conform to a high standard of moral and ethical conduct.
(c) The qualifications of any Personnel whom the Contractor may assign or may propose to assign to perform any obligations under the Contract will be substantially the same as, or better than, the qualifications of any personnel originally proposed by the Contractor.
(d) At any time during the term of the Contract, UNICEF can make a written request that the Contractor replace one or more of the assigned Personnel. UNICEF will not be required to give an explanation or justification for this request. Within seven (7) working days of receiving UNICEF's request for replacement the Contractor must replace the Personnel in question with Personnel acceptable to UNICEF. This provision also extends to Personnel of the Contractor who have "account manager" or "relationship manager" type functions.
(e) If one or more of Contractor's Key Personnel become unavailable, for any reason, for work under the Contract, the Contractor will (i) certify the UNICEF contracting authority of any layoff (10) days in advance; and (ii) obtain the UNICEF contracting authority's approval prior to making any substitutions of Key Personnel. In notifying the UNICEF contracting authority, the Contractor will provide an explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed replacement(s) and submit justification and qualification of replacement Personnel in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the engagement.

(f) The approval of UNICEF of any Personnel assigned by the Contractor (including any replacement Personnel) will not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under the Contract. The Contractor's Personnel, including individual sub-contractors, will not be conditioned in any respect as being the employees or agents of UNICEF.
(g) All expenses of the withdrawal or replacement of the Contractor's Personnel will, in all cases, be borne exclusively by the Contractor.

2.11 The Contractor will obtain the prior written approval and clearance of UNICEF for all international sub-contractors it proposes to use in connection with the Contract. The approval of UNICEF of a sub-contractor will not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under the Contract. The terms of any sub-contract will be subject to, and will be construed in a manner that is fully in accordance with, all of the terms and conditions of the Contract.

2.12 The Contractor confirms that it has read UNICEF's Policy on Conduct Promoting the Prevention and Safeguarding of Children. The Contractor will ensure that its Personnel understands the notification requirements expected of them and will establish and maintain appropriate measures to promote compliance with such requirements. The Contractor will further cooperate with UNICEF's implementation of this policy.

2.13 The Contractor will supervise its Personnel and sub-contractors and will be fully responsible and liable for all Services performed by its Personnel and sub-contractors for their compliance with the terms and conditions of the Contract.

2.14 The Contractor will comply with all applicable international standards and national labor laws, rules and regulations relating to the employment of national and international staff in connection with the Services, including, but not limited to, laws, rules and regulations associated with the payment of the employees' portion of social security, health insurance, worker's compensation, retirement funds, severance or similar payments. Without limiting the provisions of this Article 2 or Article 4 below, the Contractor will be fully responsible and liable for, and UNICEF will not be liable for (a) all payments due to its Personnel and sub-contractors for their services in relation to the performance of the Contract; (b) any action, omission, negligence or misconduct of the Contractor, its Personnel and sub-contractors; (c) any insurance coverage which may be necessary or desirable for the purpose of the Contract; (d) the safety and security of the Contractor's Personnel and sub-contractors' personnel; or (e) any taxes, expenses, or claims associated with any illness, injury, death or disability of the Contractor's Personnel and sub-contractors' personnel, it being understood that UNICEF will have no liability or responsibility with regard to any of the events referred to in this Article 2.14.

3. Fee; Invoicing; The Exemption; Payment Terms

3.1 The fee for the Services is the amount in the currency specified in the fee section of the Contract (the "Fee"), it being understood that such amount is specified in United States dollars unless otherwise expressly provided for in the fee section of the Contract. Unless expressly stated otherwise in the Contract, the Fee is inclusive of all costs, expenses, charges or fees that the Contractor may incur in connection with the performance of its obligations under the Contract provided that, without prejudice to or limiting the provisions of Article 2.3 below, all duties and other taxes imposed by any authority or entity must be separately identified. It is understood and agreed that the Contractor will not request any change to the Fee after the Services or Deliverables have been provided and that the Fee cannot be changed except by written agreement between the Parties before the relevant Service or Deliverable is provided. UNICEF will not agree to changes to the Fee for modifications or reinterpretations of the scope of work if those modifications or reinterpretations of the scope of work have already been initiated by the Contractor. UNICEF will not be liable to pay for any work conducted or materials provided by the Contractor that are outside the scope of work or were not authorized in advance by UNICEF.

3.2 The Contractor will invoice to UNICEF only after the Contractor has provided the Services (or components of the Services) and delivered the Deliverables (or instalments of the Deliverables) in accordance with the Contract and to UNICEF's satisfaction. The Contractor will issue (a) one (1) invoice in respect of the payment being sought, in the currency specified in the Contract and in English, indicating the Contractor Identification number listed on the front page of the Contract and (b) provide a clear and specific description of the Services provided and Deliverables delivered, as well as supporting documentation for reimbursable expenses if any. In sufficient detail to permit UNICEF to verify the amounts stated in the invoice.

3.3 The Contractor authorizes UNICEF to deduct from the Contractor's invoices any amount
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representing direct taxes (except charges for utilities services) and customary restrictions, duties and charges of a similar nature in respect of articles imported or exported for UNICEF's official use in accordance with the exemption form tax in Article II, Section 7 of the Convention of the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, 1946. In the event any governmental authority refuses to recognize this exemption from taxes, restrictions, duties or charges, the Contractor will immediately consult with UNICEF to determine a mutually acceptable procedure. The Contractor will provide full cooperation to UNICEF with regard to securing UNICEF's exemption from, or refund of amounts paid as, value-added taxes or taxes of a similar nature.

3.4 UNICEF will notify the Contractor of any dispute or discrepancy in the content or form of any invoice. With respect to disputes regarding only a portion of such invoices, UNICEF will pay the Contractor the amount of the undisputed portion in accordance with Articles 3.5 below. UNICEF and the Contractor will consult in good faith to promptly resolve any dispute with respect to any invoice. Upon resolution of such dispute, any amounts that have been charged in accordance with the Contract will be deducted from the invoice(s) in which they appear and UNICEF will pay any agreed remuneration items in accordance with Article 3.5 within thirty (30) days after the final resolution of such dispute.

3.5 UNICEF will pay the aforementioned amount of the Contractor's invoice within thirty (30) days of receiving both the invoice and the required supporting documents, as referenced to in Section 3.2 above. The amount paid will reflect any discounts shown under the payment terms of the Contract. The Contractor will not be entitled to Interest on any late payment or any sums payable under the Contract nor any accrued interest on payments withheld by UNICEF in connection with a dispute. Payment will not relieve the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract and will not be deemed to be acceptance by UNICEF of, or waiver of any of UNICEF's rights with regard to, the Contractor's performance.

3.6 Each invoice will contain the Contractor's bank account details provided to UNICEF as part of the Contractor's registration process with UNICEF. All payments due to the Contractor under the Contract will be made by electronic funds transfer to that bank account. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that the bank details supplied by it to UNICEF are up-to-date and accurate, and notify UNICEF in writing by an authorized representative of the Contractor of any changes in bank details together with supporting documentation satisfactory to UNICEF.

3.7 The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that UNICEF may withhold payment in respect of any invoice if, in UNICEF's opinion, the Contractor has not performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, or if the Contractor has not provided sufficient documentation in support of the invoice.

3.8 UNICEF will have the right to set off, against any amount or amounts due and payable to UNICEF to the Contractor under the Contract, any payment, indemnities or other claims (including, without limitation, any overpayment made by UNICEF to the Contractor owing to the Contractor's UNICEF under the Contract or under any other contract or agreement between the Parties. UNICEF will be required to give the Contractor such notice before exercising this right of set-off (such notice being written by the Contractor). UNICEF will promptly notify the Contractor after it has exercised such right of set-off, explaining the reasons for such set-off, provided, however, that the failure to give such notification will not affect the validity of such set-off.

3.9 Each of the invoices paid by UNICEF may be subject to a post-payment audit by UNICEF's external and internal auditors or by other authorized agents of UNICEF, at any time during the term of the Contract and for three (3) years after the Contract termination. UNICEF will be entitled to a refund from the Contractor of amounts that are not in accordance with the Contract regardless of the reasons for such payments (including but not limited to the actions or omissions of UNICEF staff and other personnel).

4. Representations and Warranties; Indemnification; Insurance

Representations and Warranties

4.1 The Contractor represents and warrants that as of the effective date and throughout the term of the Contract: (a) the Contractor has the full authority and power to enter into the Contract and to perform its obligations under the Contract and the Contract is a legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; (b) all of the information it has provided to UNICEF, or that is provided to UNICEF during the term of the Contract, concerning the Contractor and the provisions of the Services and the delivery of the Deliverables is true, current and not misleading; (c) it is financially solvent and is able to provide the Services to UNICEF in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract; (d) it has, and will maintain throughout the term of the Contract, all rights, licenses, security and resources necessary, as applicable, to provide the Services and deliver the Deliverables to UNICEF's satisfaction and to perform its obligations under the Contract; (e) the work product is and will be original to the Contractor and does not and will not infringe any copyright, trademark, patent or other proprietary right of any third party; and (f) except as otherwise expressly permitted by the Contract, it has not and will not enter into any agreement or arrangement that restrains or restricts any person's rights to use, sell, dispose of or otherwise deal with any Deliverable or other work resulting from the Services. The Contractor will fulfill its commitments with the fullest regard to the interests of UNICEF and will refrain from any action which may adversely affect UNICEF or the United Nations.

4.2 The Contractor further represents and warrants, as of the effective date and throughout the term of the Contract, that it, and its Personnel and sub-contractors will perform the Contract and provide the Services and Deliverables (i) in a professional and workmanlike manner; (ii) with reasonable care and skill, and in accordance with the highest professional standards expected for professionals providing the same or substantially similar services to in a same industry; (iii) with priority equal to that given to the same or similar services for the Contractor's other clients; and (iv) in accordance with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing upon the performance of its obligations under the Contract and the provisions of the Services and Deliverables.

4.3 The representations and warranties made by the Contractor in Articles 4.1 and 4.2 above are made to and for the benefit of (a) each entity (if any) that makes a direct financial contribution to UNICEF to procure the Services and Deliverables; and (b) each Government or other entity (if any) that receives the direct benefit of the Services and Deliverables.

Indemnification

4.4 The Contractor will, indemnify, hold and save harmless and defend, at its own expense, UNICEF, its officials, employees, consultants and agents, each entity that makes a direct financial contribution to UNICEF to procure the Services and Deliverables and each Government or other entity that receives the direct benefit of the Services and Deliverables, from and against all suits, claims, demands, losses and liability of any nature or kind, including their costs and expenses, by any third party and arising out of the terms or conditions of the Contract or its Personnel or subcontractors in the performance of the Contract. This provision will extend to but be limited to (a) claims and liability to the nature of workers' compensation, (b) product liability, and (c) any actions or claims pertaining to the alleged infringement of a copyright or other intellectual property rights of licensors, patents, designs, trade-marks or trade-name arising in connection with the Deliverables or other liability arising out of the use of patented inventions or devices, copyrighted material or other intellectual property provided or licensed to UNICEF under the terms of the Contract or used by the Contractor, its Personnel or sub-contractors in the performance of the Contract.

4.5 UNICEF will report any such suits, proceedings, claims demand or losses or liability to the Contractor within a reasonable period of time after having received actual notice. The Contractor will have sole control of the defense, settlement and compromise of any such suits, proceedings, claims or demands, except with respect to the action or defense of the privileges and immunities of UNICEF or any matter relating to UNICEF's privileges and immunities (including matters relating to UNICEF's relations with Host Government), which at between the Contractor and UNICEF only UNICEF itself (or certain Governmental entities) will assert and litigate. UNICEF will have the right, at its own expense, to be represented in any such suits, proceeding, claims or demands by independent counsel of its own choosing.

Insurance

4.6 The Contractor will comply with the following insurance requirements:

(a) The Contractor will have and maintain in effect with reputable insurers and in sufficient amounts, insurance against all of the Contractor's claims under the Contract (including, but not limited to, the risk of claims arising out of or related to the Contractor's performance of the Contracts), including the following:

(b) Insurance against all risks in respect of its property and any equipment used for the performance of the Contract;

(c) General liability insurance against all risks in respect of the Contractor and claims arising out of the Contractor in an adequate amount to cover all claims arising from or in connection with the Contractor's performance of the Contract;
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(11) All appropriate workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance, or its equivalent, with respect to its Personnel and subcontractors to cover claims for death, bodily injury or damage to property arising from the performance of the Contract; and

(12) Such other insurance as may be agreed upon in writing between UNICEF and the Contractor.

(b) The Contractor will maintain the insurance coverage referred to in Article 4.6(a) above during the term of the Contract and for a period after the Contract terminates extending to the end of any applicable limitation period with regard to claims against which the insurance is obtained.

(c) The Contractor will be responsible to Nadal all persons within any policy deductible or retention.

(d) Except with regard to the insurance referred to in paragraph (a)(ii) above, the insurance policies for the Contractor's insurance required under this Article 4.6 will (i) name UNICEF as an additional insured; (ii) insure (a) the Contractor during any un周岁 rights against UNICEF; and (iii) provide that UNICEF will receive thirty (30) days written notice from the insurer prior to any cancellation or change of coverage.

(e) The Contractor will, upon request, provide UNICEF with satisfactory evidence of the insurance required under this Article 4.6.

(f) Compliance with the insurance requirements of the Contract will not limit the Contractor's liability either under the Contract or otherwise.

Liability

4.7 The Contractor will pay UNICEF promptly for all loss, destruction or damage to UNICEF's property caused by the Contractor's Personnel or subcontractors in the performance of the Contract.

5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPRIETARY RIGHTS: DATA PROTECTION: CONFIDENTIALITY

5.1 Intellectual Property and Other Proprietary Rights

5.1.1 Unless otherwise expressly provided for in the Contract:

(a) Subject to paragraph (b) of this Article 5.1, UNICEF will be entitled to all intellectual property and other proprietary rights including but not limited to patents, copyrights and trademarks, with regard to products, processes, inventions, ideas, know-how, documents, data and other materials ("Contract Materials") developed for UNICEF under the Contract and which bear a direct relation to the Contractor or UNICEF or are prepared, processed or collected in consequence of, or during the course of, the performance of the Contract. The terms "Contract Materials" includes, but is not limited to, all maps, drawings, photographs, plans, reports, recommendations, estimates, documents developed or received by, and all other data collected or received by, the Contractor under the Contract. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that Contract Materials constitute works made for hire for UNICEF. Contract Materials will be treated as UNICEF's Confidential Information and will be delivered only to authorized UNICEF officials on expiry or termination of the Contract.

(b) UNICEF will not be entitled to, and will not claim any ownership interest in, any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of the Contractor that pre-exist the performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract, or that the Contractor may develop or acquire, or may have developed or acquired, independently of the performance of its obligations under the Contract. The Contractor grants to UNICEF a perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use such intellectual property or other proprietary right solely for the purposes of and in accordance with the requirements of the Contract.

(c) At UNICEF's request, the Contractor will take all necessary steps, execute all necessary documents and generally assist in securing such proprietary rights and transferring them to, or, in the case, intellectual property referred to in paragraph (b) above, licensing them to UNICEF in compliance with the requirements of the applicable law and of the Contract.

Confidentiality

5.2 Confidential Information that is considered proprietary by either Party or that is delivered or disclosed by one Party ("Discloser") to the other Party ("Recipient") during the course of performance of the Contract or in connection with the subject matter of the Contract will be held in confidence by the Recipient. The Recipients will use the same care and discretion to avoid disclosure of the Discloser's Confidential Information as the Recipient uses for its own Confidential Information and will use the Discloser's Confidential Information solely for the purposes for which it was disclosed to the Recipient. The Recipient will not disclose the Discloser's Confidential Information to any other party:

(a) except to those of its Affiliates, employees, officials, representatives, agents and subcontractors who have a need to know such Confidential Information for purposes of performing obligations under the Contract;

(b) unless the Confidential Information (i) is obtained by the Recipient from a third party without restriction; (ii) is disclosed by the Discloser to a third party without any obligation of confidentiality; (iii) is known by the Recipient prior to disclosure by the Discloser; or (iv) at any time is developed by the Recipient independently of any disclosure under the Contract.

5.3 If the Contractor receives a request for disclosure of UNICEF's Confidential Information pursuant to any judicial or law enforcement process, before any such disclosure is made, the Contractor (a) will give UNICEF sufficient notice of such request in order to allow UNICEF to have a reasonable opportunity to secure the intervention of the relevant national government to establish protective measures or take such other action as may be appropriate and (b) will give the relevant authority that requested disclosure. UNICEF may disclose the Contractor's Confidential Information to the extent required pursuant to regulations or regulations of its governing bodies.

5.4 The Contractor may not communicate at any time to any other person, Government or authority external to UNICEF, any information known to it by reason of its association with UNICEF that has not been made public, except with the prior written authorization of UNICEF, nor will the Contractor at any time use such information to private advantage.

Data Protection and Security

5.5 The Parties agree that, as between them, all UNICEF Data, together with all rights (including intellectual property and proprietary rights) title and interest in such UNICEF Data, will be the exclusive property of UNICEF, and the Contractor has a limited, nonexclusive license to access and use the UNICEF Data as provided in the Contract solely for the purpose of performing its obligations under the Contract. Except for the foregoing license, the Contractor will have no other rights, whether express or implied, to or to any UNICEF Data or its content.

5.6 The Contractor confirms that it has a data protection policy in place that meets all applicable data protection standards and legal requirements and that it will apply such policy in the collection, storage, use, processing, transmission of UNICEF Data. The Contractor will comply with any guidance or condition on access and disclosure notified by UNICEF to Contractor in respect of UNICEF Data.

5.7 The Contractor will use its reasonable efforts to ensure the logical segregation of UNICEF Data from other information to the fullest extent possible. The Contractor will use safeguards and controls (such as administrative, technical, physical, procedural and security infrastructures, facilities, tools, technologies, practices and other proprietary resources) that are necessary and sufficient to meet the Contractor's confidentiality obligations in this Article 5.0 as they apply to UNICEF Data. At UNICEF's request, the Contractor will provide UNICEF with evidence of the applicable policies and a description of the safeguards and controls that the Contractor uses to fulfill its obligations under this Article 5.0, provided that any such policies and description provided by the Contractor will be treated as the Contractor's Confidential Information under the Contract. UNICEF may assess the effectiveness of these safeguards, controls and protective measures and, at UNICEF's request, the Contractor will provide its full cooperation with any such assessments at no additional cost or expense to UNICEF. The Contractor will not, and will ensure that its Personnel will not, transfer, copy, remove or store UNICEF Data from a UNICEF location, network or system without the prior written approval of an authorized official of UNICEF.

5.8 Unless otherwise expressly stated in the Contract or with UNICEF's express prior written consent, the Contractor will not install any application or other software on any UNICEF device, network or system. The Contractor represents and warrants to UNICEF that the Services and Deliverables provided under the Contract will not conflict with any Existing Code, and that the Contractor will not otherwise receive from the Contractor any Existing Code in the performance of the Contract. Without prejudice to UNICEF's other rights and remedies, if a Binding Code is identified, the Contractor, at its own cost and expense, will take all steps necessary to: (i) replace and/or reconfigure any and all UNICEF Data lost by UNICEF and/or End Users as a result of Existing Code; (d) furnish to UNICEF a corrected version of the Services without the presence of Existing Code; and (e) as needed, re-implement the Services.
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5.9 In the event of any Security Incident, the Contractor will, as soon as possible following the Contractor's discovery of such Security Incident and at its sole cost and expense: (a) notify UNICEF of such Security Incident and of the Contractor's proposed remedial actions; (b) implement any and all necessary damage mitigation and remedial actions; and (c) as relevant, restore UNICEF's site, as directed by UNICEF, Final Users' access to the Services. The Contractor will keep UNICEF reasonably informed of the progress of the Contractor's implementation of such damage mitigation and remedial actions. The Contractor, at its sole cost and expense, will cooperate fully with UNICEF's investigation of, mediation of, and/or response to any Security Incident. If the Contractor fails to resolve, to UNICEF's reasonable satisfaction, any such Security Incident, UNICEF can terminate the Contract with immediate effect.

5.10 The Contractor will impose the same requirements relating to data protection and non-disclosure of Confidential Information as set out in the Contract itself by this Article 5 of the Contract, on its service providers, subcontractors and other third parties and will remain responsible for compliance with such requirements by its service providers, subcontractors and other third parties.

End of Contract

5.11 Upon the expiry or earlier termination of the Contract, the Contractor will:

(a) return to UNICEF all of UNICEF's Confidential Information, including, but not limited to, UNICEF Data, or, at UNICEF's option, destroy all copies of such information held by the Contractor or its subcontractors and confirm such destruction to UNICEF in writing; and

(b) transfer to UNICEF all intellectual and other proprietary information in accordance with Article 3.16(e).

6. Termination; Force Majeure

Termination by Either Party for Material Breach

6.1 If one Party is in material breach of any of its obligations under this Contract, the other Party may give the written notice that within thirty (30) days of receiving such notice the breach must be remedied (if such breach is capable of remedy). If the breaching Party does not remedy the breach within the thirty (30) days period or if the breach is not capable of remedy, the non-breaching Party can terminate the Contract. The termination will be effective thirty (30) days after the non-breaching Party gives the breaching Party written notice of termination. The intention of cancellation or arbitral proceedings in accordance with Article 9 (Privileges and Immunities; Settlement of Disputes) below will not be grounds for termination of the Contract.

Additional Termination Rights of UNICEF

6.2 In addition to the termination rights under Article 6.1 above, UNICEF can terminate the Contract with immediate effect upon delivery of a written notice of termination, without any liability for any termination charges or any other liability of any kind.

(a) in the circumstances described in, and in accordance with, Article 7 (Ethical Standards); or

(b) if the Contractor breaches any of the provisions of Articles 5.2.5.11 (Confidentiality; Data Protection and Security); or

(c) if the Contractor (i) is adjudged bankrupt, or is liquidated, or becomes insolvent, or applies for a moratorium or stay on any payment or repayment obligations, or applies to be declared insolvent, (ii) is granted a moratorium or a stay, it is declared insolvent, (ii) makes an assignment for the benefit of one or more of its creditors, (iv) has a receiver appointed on account of the insolvency of the Contractor, (v) offers a settlement in lieu of bankruptcy or receivership or (vi) has become, in UNICEF's reasonable judgment, subject to a materially adverse change in its financial conditions that threatens to substantially affect the ability of the Contractor to perform any of its obligations under the Contract.

6.3 In addition to the termination rights under Article 6.1 and Article 6.2 above, UNICEF can terminate the Contract at any time by providing written notice to the Contractor in any case in which UNICEF's mandate applicable to the performance of the Contract or UNICEF's funding applicable to the Contract is curtailed or terminated, whether in whole or in part. UNICEF can also terminate the Contract on sixty (60) day's written notice to the Contractor without having to provide any justification.

6.4 As soon as it receives a notice of termination from UNICEF, the Contractor will take immediate steps to bring the performance of any obligations under the Contract to a close in a prompt and orderly manner, and in doing so, reduce expenses to a minimum, and will not undertake any further or additional commitments as of and following the date it receives the termination notice.

In addition, the Contractor will take any other action that may be necessary, or that UNICEF may direct in writing, in order to minimize losses or protect and preserve any property, whether tangible or intangible, related to the Contract that is in the possession of the Contractor and in which UNICEF has or may be reasonably expected to acquire an interest.

6.5 If the Contract is terminated by either Party, the Contractor will immediately deliver to UNICEF all hardware which has not been delivered and accepted prior to the receipt of a notice of termination, together with any data, materials or work-in-progress related specifically to the Contractor. If UNICEF obtains the assistance of another Party to continue the Services or complete any unlimited work, the Contractor will provide its reasonable cooperation to UNICEF and such party in the orderly migration of Services and transfer of any Contractor-related data, materials and work-in-progress. The Contractor will, at the same time, transfer to UNICEF all of UNICEF's Confidential Information and will transfer to UNICEF all intellectual and other proprietary information in accordance with Article 5.

6.6 If the Contract is terminated by either Party no payment will be due from UNICEF to the Contractor except for Services and Deliverables provided to UNICEF's satisfaction in accordance with the Contract, but only if such Services and Deliverables were required or requested before the Contractor's receipt of the notice of termination or, in the case of termination by the Contractor, the effective date of such termination. The Contractor will have no claim for any further payment beyond payments in accordance with this Article 6.6, but will remain liable to UNICEF for all loss or damage which may be suffered by UNICEF by reason of the Contractor's default (including but not limited to cost of the purchase and delivery of replacement or substitute Services or Deliverables).

6.7 The termination rights in this Article 6 are in addition to all other rights and remedies of UNICEF under the Contract.

Force Majeure

6.8 If one Party is rendered permanently unable, wholly, or in part, by reason of force major to perform its obligations under the Contract, the other Party may terminate the Contract on the same terms and conditions as are provided for in Article 6.1 above, except that the period of notice will be seven (7) days instead of thirty (30) days. "Force major" means any unforeseeable and irresistible events arising from causes beyond the control of the Parties, including acts of nature, war (whether declared or not), revolution, invasion, insurrection, terrorism or other acts of a similar nature or force. "Force major" does not include (a) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party; (b) any event which a diligent party could reasonably have been expected to take into account and plan for at the time the Contract was entered into; or (c) the insolvency of funds, inability to make any payment required under the Contract, or any economic conditions, including but not limited to inflation, price escalation, or labor availability; or (d) any event resulting from harsh conditions or logistical challenges for the Contractor (including civil unrest) associated with locations at which UNICEF is operating or is about to operate or is withdrawing from, or any event resulting from UNICEF's humanitarian, emergency, or similar response operations.

7. Ethical Standards

7.1 Without limiting the generality of Article 2 above, the Contractor will be responsible for the professional and technical competence of its Personnel including its employees and will affect, for work under the Contract, reliable individuals who will perform effectively in the implementation of the Contract, respect the local laws and customs, and conform to a high standard of moral and ethical conduct.

7.2 (a) The Contractor represents and warrants that it is a legal entity of any United Nations System organization has received from or on behalf of the Contractor, or will be offered by or on behalf of the Contractor, any direct or indirect benefit in connection with the Contract, including the award of the Contract to the Contractor. Such direct or indirect benefit includes, but is not limited to, any gifts, favors or hospitality.

(b) The Contractor represents and warrants that the following requirements with regard to former
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UNICEF officials have been complied with and will be complied with.

(i) During the one (1) year period after an official has separated from UNICEF, the Contractor may not make a direct or indirect offer of employment to that former UNICEF official if that former UNICEF official was, during the three years prior to separating from UNICEF, involved in any aspect of a UNICEF procurement process in which the Contractor has participated.

(ii) During the two (2) year period after an official has separated from UNICEF, that former official may not, directly or indirectly on behalf of the Contractor, communicate with UNICEF, or present to UNICEF, about any matters that were within such former official’s responsibilities while at UNICEF.

(c) The Contractor further represents that, in respect of all aspects of the Contract including the award of the Contract by UNICEF to the Contractor and the selection and awarding of sub-contracts by the Contractor, it has disclosed to UNICEF any situation that may constitute an actual or potential conflict of interest or could reasonably be perceived as a conflict of interest.

7.3 The Contractor further represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its Affiliates, Personnel or directors, is subject to any sanction or temporary suspension imposed by any United Nations System entity or any other international loss-governance organization. The Contractor will immediately disclose to UNICEF if it or any of its Affiliates or Personnel or directors becomes subject to any sanction or temporary suspension described in Article 7.3 during the term of the Contract.

8. Full Cooperation with Audits And Investigations

8.1 From time to time, UNICEF may conduct inspections, post-payment audits or investigations relating to any aspect of the Contract including but not limited to the award of the Contract, the way in which the Contractor operates or operates, and the Parties’ performance of the Contract generally and including but not limited to the Contractor’s compliance with the provisions of Article 9 below. The Contractor will provide its full and timely cooperation with any such inspections, post-payment audits or investigations, including but not limited to making its Personnel and any relevant data and documentation available for the purposes of such inspections, post-payment audits or investigations, at reasonable times and on reasonable conditions, and granting UNICEF and those undertaking such inspections, post-payment audits or investigations access to the Contractor’s premises at reasonable times and on reasonable conditions in connection with making its Personnel and any relevant data and documentation available. The Contractor will require its sub-contractors and its agents, including, but not limited to, the Contractor’s attorneys, accountants or other advisers, to provide reasonable cooperation with any inspections, post-payment audits or investigations carried out by UNICEF.

9. Privileges and Immunities; Settlement of Disputes

9.1 Nothing in or related to the Contract will be deemed to affect, expel or limit, delinquent or insufficient, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including UNICEF and its subsidiary organs, under the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, 1946, or otherwise.

9.2 The terms of the Contract will be interpreted and applied without application of any system of national or sub-national law.

9.3 The Parties will use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to, the Contract. Where the Parties wish to seek such an amicable settlement through conciliation, the conciliation will take place in accordance with the UNICRI (1959) or (b) in the manufacture, sale, distribution, or use of anti-personnel mines or components utilized in the manufacture of anti-personnel mines.

7.7 The Contractor and its Personnel shall use all appropriate means to prevent sexual exploitation of children and other vulnerable persons engaged by the Contractor or any personnel engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract. For these purposes, sexual activity with any person less than eighteen years of age, regardless of any laws relating to consent, will constitute the sexual exploitation and abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor represents and warrants that it has taken and will take all appropriate measures to prohibit its Personnel from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitative or degrading to any person. This provision constitutes an essential term of the Contract.

7.8 The Contractor will inform UNICEF as soon as it becomes aware of any incident or report that is inconsistent with the understandings and commitments provided in this Article 7.9.

7.9 The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that each of the provisions in this Article 7 constitutes an essential term of the Contract.

(i) UNICEF will be entitled, in its sole discretion and at its sole election, to suspend or terminate the Contract and any other written notice to the Contractor by UNICEF becomes aware of any incidents or report that is inconsistent with, or the Contractor breaches any of the understandings and commitments provided in this Article 7 or the equivalent provisions of any contract between UNICEF and the Contractor or any of the Contractor’s Affiliates, or (ii) the Contractor or any of its Affiliates, Personnel or directors becomes subject to any sanction or temporary suspension described in Article 7.3 during the term of the Contract.

8. In the event of suspension, if the Contractor takes appropriate action to address the relevant incident or breach to UNICEF’s satisfaction within the period specified in the notice of suspension, UNICEF may lift the suspension by written notice to the Contractor and the Contractor and all other affected contractors will resume in accordance with their terms. If, however, UNICEF is not satisfied that the matters are being adequately addressed by the Contractor, UNICEF may at any time, exercise its right to terminate the Contract and any other contract between UNICEF and the Contractor.

8.2 Any suspension or termination under this Article 7 will be without any liability for termination or other charges or any other liability of any kind.

10. Notices

10.1 Any notice, request or consent required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract will be in writing, and addressed to the person named in the Contract as the person for the delivery of notices, requests or consents. Notices, requests or consents will be delivered in person, by registered mail, or by confirmed email transmission. Notices, requests or consents will be deemed received upon delivery if delivered in person, upon signature of receipt (if delivered by registered mail) or twenty-four (24) hours after confirmation of receipt is sent from the addressee’s email address (if delivered by confirmed email transmission).

10.2 Any notice, document or receipt issued in connection with the Contract must be consistent with the terms and conditions of the Contract and, in case of any ambiguity, discrepancy or inconsistency, the terms and conditions of the Contract will prevail.
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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

10.5 All documents that comprise the Contract, and all documents, notices and receipts issued or provided pursuant to or in connection with the Contract, will be deemed to include, and will be interpreted and applied consistently with, the provisions of Article 9 (Privileges and Immunities; Settlement of Disputes).

11. Other Provisions

11.1 The Contractor acknowledges UNICEF's commitment to transparency as outlined in UNICEF's Information Dissemination Policy and confirms that it consents to UNICEF's public disclosure of the terms of the Contract should UNICEF so determine and by whatever means UNICEF determines.

11.2 The failure of one Party to object to or take offensive action with respect to any conduct of the other Party which is in violation of the terms of the Contract will not constitute and will not be construed to be a waiver of the violation or breach, or of any future violation, breach or wrongful conduct.

11.3 The Contractor will be considered as having the legal status of an independent contractor as regards UNICEF. Nothing contained in the Contract will be construed as making the Parties principal and agent or joint venturers.

11.4 The Contractor will not, without the prior written consent of UNICEF, assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of the Contract, or of any part of the Contract, or of any of the Contractor's rights or obligations under the Contract.

11.5 No grant of time to the Contractor to cure a default under the Contract, nor any delay or failure by UNICEF to exercise any right or remedy available to UNICEF under the Contract, will be deemed to prejudice any rights or remedies available to UNICEF under the Contract or constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies available to UNICEF under the Contract.

11.6 The Contractor will not seek or file any claim, attachment or other encumbrance against any monies due or to become due under the Contract, and will not permit any other person to do so. It will immediately release or obtain the removal of any lien, attachment or other encumbrance that is secured against any monies due or to become due under the Contract.

11.7 The Contractor will not advertise or otherwise make public for purposes of commercial advantage or goodwill that it has a contractual relationship with UNICEF or the United Nations. Except as regards references to the name of UNICEF for the purposes of annual reports or communication between the Parties and between the Contractor and its Personnel and sub-contractors, the Contractor will, in any manner whatsoever use the name, emblem or official seal of UNICEF or the United Nations, or any abbreviation of the name of the United Nations, in connection with its business or otherwise without the prior written permission of UNICEF.

11.8 The Contract may be translated into languages other than English. The translated version of the Contract is for convenience only, and the English language version will govern in all circumstances.

11.9 No modification or change in the Contract, and no waiver of any of its provisions, nor any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor will be valid and enforceable against UNICEF unless set out in a written amendment to the Contract signed by an authorized official of UNICEF.

11.10 The provisions of Articles 2, 14, 3.8, 3.5, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11.1, 11.3 and 11.7 will survive provision of the Services and delivery of the Deliverables and the expiry or earlier termination of the Contract.