

Commonwealth Secretariat

Tender Ref 470-2019

Invitation to tender for the Services and Solutions for a secure, identity verified, communications infrastructure for the Commonwealth Network of Contact Persons (CNCP)ITT Clarifications Queries and Answers

Deadline for questions: 5pm on 12/06/2019

Deadline for Secretariat to publish responses: 5pm on 14/06/2019

<p>Q1: Item IV at Page 6: “IV. High levels of security, and use of distributed technology in order to ensure no central point of failure for identity management or data and message hosting;” We suggest that use of distributed technology should be possible in Phase 2 as part of VI.</p>
<p>A1: If this is your proposed approach, please kindly include this within your response to the Invitation to Tender.</p>
<p>Q2: We believe that any subsidiary company to parent company will not be treated as sub-contractor for this bid.</p>
<p>A2: When completing your bid please provide any comments you may have on the Secretariat’s standard terms and conditions in the table provided (table 7 legal comments table) on page 12 of the Invitation to Tender.</p>
<p>Q3: General Terms & Conditions as given in Appendix 1 a. Clause 2.8 - We understand that our company will take all care in vetting our staff being deployed for this project. Vetting each staff by ComSec may not be practical and also believe not essential. Please confirm.</p>
<p>A3: When completing your bid please provide any comments you may have on the Secretariat’s standard terms and conditions in the table provided (table 7 legal comments table) on page 12 of the Invitation to Tender.</p>
<p>Q4: Clause 2.9.4 - We believe that ComSec may not be interested in signing the timesheets of our staff. So this clause may not apply. Please confirm.</p>
<p>A4: When completing your bid please provide any comments you may have on the Secretariat’s standard terms and conditions in the table provided (table 7 legal comments table) on page 12 of the Invitation to Tender.</p>
<p>Q5: Clause 2.16.10 - Handover format - We presume that the handover should be done in a general format which ComSec should be able to view the documentation so submitted. Please confirm our understanding.</p>
<p>A5:</p>

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Q6: Clause 5.3.3 - Variation clause - As we believe that the project scope will be agreed in advance, variation to the effect of deletion could be agreed mutually but any addition will have an effect on the project timeline and cost.

Having said, we will be ready to accommodate any variation subject to the intensity of the work involved on such variation which could be discussed and agreed upon mutually. Please confirm your acceptance.

A6:

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Q7:

Clause 5.6 - As there is no payment involved this clause may not strictly apply. Please confirm.

A7: When completing your bid please provide any comments you may have on the Secretariat's standard terms and conditions in the table provided (table 7 legal comments table) on page 12 of the Invitation to Tender.