#### **United Nations Development Programme**



# **REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)**

NAME & ADDRESS OF FIRM:	DATE: 1 November 2019
	REFERENCE: RfQ19/01991

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for Procurement of insulin pumps for children, as detailed in Annex 1 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 2.

Quotations may be submitted on or before <u>22 November 2019</u>, <u>16:30 (Moldova local time)</u> via etendering system to the address below:

https://etendering.partneragencies.org

Username: event.guest Password: why2change

BU Code: MDA10 and Event 0000004698

Once uploaded, Bidders that have accepted the invitation in the system will be notified via e-mail that changes have occurred. It is responsibility of the Bidder to view the respective changes and clarifications in the system.

Please Consult eTendering Resources for Bidders for additional information on bidding: <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/procurement-notices/resources/">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/procurement-notices/resources/</a>

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation will reach the address above on or before the deadline. Quotations that are received by UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the supply of the abovementioned good/s:

Delivery Terms [INCOTERMS 2010]	□FCA	□СРТ	□CIP	⊠DAP
Customs clearance, if needed, shall be done by:	□UNDP	⊠Supplier/	Offeror	☐Freight Forwarder
Exact Address of Delivery Location	93, Burebista str., Chisinau, Moldova			
(identify all, if multiple)	Institute of Mother and Child			



Latest Expected Delivery Date and Time (if delivery time exceeds this,	
quote may be rejected by UNDP)	23 So calcination and 1330ance of the Forenase Order (FO)
Delivery Schedule	⊠Not Required
Mode of Transport	⋈ AIR   □SEA   ⋈ LAND   □OTHER <specify></specify>
Preferred Currency of Quotation <sup>1</sup>	⊠United States Dollars
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation <sup>2</sup>	☑ Must be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes
After-sales services required	<ul> <li>☑Warranty on Parts and Labor for minimum period of 2 (two) years;</li> <li>☑Technical Support immediate on the phone and within 48 hours after notification from the Beneficiary institution;</li> <li>☑Provision of Service Unit when pulled out for maintenance/ repair.</li> </ul>
Deadline for the Submission of Quotation	IMPORTANT NOTE: the time zone indicated in the Tendering system is New York Time zone.  PLEASE NOTE:  1. Date and time visible on the main screen of event (on e-tendering portal) will be final and prevail over any other closing time indicated elsewhere, in case they are different. The correct proposal closing time is as indicated in the e-tendering portal and system will not accept any proposal after that time. It is the responsibility of the proposers to make sure proposals are submitted within this deadline. UNDP will not accept any proposal that is not submitted directly in the system.  2. Try to submit your proposal a day prior or well before the closing time. Do not wait until last minute. If you face any issue submitting your proposal at the last minute, UNDP may not be able to assist.
All documentations, including catalogs, instructions and operating manuals, shall be in this language	⊠ English
Documents to be submitted <sup>3</sup>	<ul> <li>☑ Electronic submission of Proposal https://etendering.partneragencies.org</li> <li>Username: event.guest</li> <li>Password: why2change</li> <li>Please note:</li> <li>It is strongly recommended to create your username with two parts, your first name and last name separately by ".", similar to the one shown above. You can participate in the proposal event only if you have registered in the system.</li> <li>☑ Duly Accomplished Form as provided in Annex 2, and in accordance with the list of requirements in Annex 1;</li> <li>☑ Company Profile, which should not exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods/services being procured;</li> <li>☑ Certificate of Registration of the business, including Articles of Incorporation, or equivalent document if Bidder is not a corporation;</li> <li>☑ Trade name registration papers, if applicable;</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Local vendors must comply with any applicable laws regarding doing business in other currencies. Conversion of currency into the UNDP preferred currency, if the offer is quoted differently from what is required, shall be based only on UN Operational Exchange Rate prevailing at the time of UNDP's issuance of Purchase Order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This must be reconciled with the INCO Terms required by the RFQ. Furthermore, VAT exemption status varies from one country to another. Pls. tick whatever is applicable to the UNDP CO/BU requiring the goods.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> First 2 items in this list are mandatory for the supply of imported goods

	<ul> <li>☑ Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid in behalf of an entity located outside the country;</li> <li>☑ Quality Certificate ISO13485:2003 or an equivalent Quality Management</li> </ul>
	System provided by the Manufacturer;
	☑ Certificate of Country of Origin for the procured goods;
	☑ Valid copy of the license issued by the National Regulatory Authority in Moldova to the Bidder;
	☑ Statement from the Manufacturer that guarantees production of
	consumables and spare parts for a period of at least 2 years for the equipment to be supplied;
	⊠Warranty on parts and services as per the minimum number of years stated in the specification and compliance sheet and after sales service;
	☑ Name and address of authorized service in Chisinau, Moldova for warranty/guarantee repair, maintenance services (including authorization certificate);
	☑ Details of the Bidder's after-sales service capacity and appropriateness of service network in areas of delivery;
	☑ A statement whether any import or export licenses are required in respect of the goods to be purchased including any restrictions on the country of origin, use/dual use nature of goods or services, including and disposition to end users;
	Manufacturer's Authorization of the Company as a Sales Agent (if Supplier is not the manufacturer);
	<ul> <li>         ☐ CVs of key personnel involved in the project, including certificates of trained engineers / technicians;     </li> </ul>
	☑ Environmental Compliance Certificates, Accreditations, Markings/Labels, and other evidences of the Bidder's practices which contributes to the ecological sustainability and reduction of adverse environmental impact (e.g., use of non-toxic substances, recycled raw materials, energy efficient equipment, reduced carbon emission, etc.), either in its business practices or in the goods it manufactures;
	☑ Patent Registration Certificates (if any of technologies submitted in the quotation is patented by the Supplier);
	☑ List and value of contracts of similar nature and size successfully completed in the past three years, including contact details of clients, who could be contacted for reference purposes;
	☑ Catalogues highlighting information related to the proposed goods, including the electronic version;
	☑ Estimated costs of spare parts and consumables of the supplied devices (not for evaluation purposes);
	☑ Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN Ineligibility List;
	☐ 60 days ⊠ 90 days ☐ 120 days
Period of Validity of Quotes	In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to extend the
starting the Submission Deadline Date	validity of the Quotation beyond what has been initially indicated in this
	RFQ. The Proposal shall then confirm the extension in writing, without any modification whatsoever on the Quotation.
Partial Quotes	Not permitted
Payment Terms <sup>4</sup>	□ 100% upon complete delivery of goods
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> UNDP preference is not to pay advanced amount upon signing of contract. If vendor strictly requires advanced payment, it will be limited only up to 20% of the total price quoted. For any higher percentage, or advanced payment of \$30,000 or higher, UNDP shall require the vendor to submit a bank guarantee or bank checque payable to UNDP, in the same amount as the advanced payment made by UNDP to the vendor.

Liquidated Damages	o.1% of contract for every day of delay, up to a maximum duration of 1
	calendar month. Thereafter, the contract may be terminated.  ☑ Minimum of 5 (five) years of experience with medical equipment supply contracts of similar nature and complexity;
	☑ Minimum 100.000 USD annual turnover for the past 3 years;
	✓ Minimum 3 (three) medical equipment supply contracts of similar nature
	and complexity undertaken over the past 3 years;
	☐ Full compliance of Bid to the Technical Requirements as per Technical
	Specifications (Annex 1);
	✓ Valid copy of the license issued by the National Regulatory Authority in
Evaluation Criteria	Moldova to the Bidder;
Evaluation enterta	☑ Guarantee Letter from the Supplier on the availability of provision of
	technical support immediate on the phone and within 48 hours after
	notification from the Beneficiary institution;  Availability of Authorized Service Center in the Republic of Moldova;
	☑ At least 2 (two) years Warranty on the parts and services;
	☑ User's Training for a minimum of 2 persons on the equipment, to be
	conducted at the Beneficiary institution;
UNDP will award to:	☑ Acceptability of the Transportation/Delivery Schedule.
UNDP will award to:	☑ One and only one supplier
Type of Contract to be Signed	□ Purchase Order
Special conditions of Contract	<ul><li> ☑ Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery/completion is delayed by 30 days</li></ul>
	☑ Passing Inspection;
	☑ Passing all Testing;
Conditions for Release of Payment	☑ Completion of Training on Operation and Maintenance;
	☐ Written Acceptance of Goods based on full compliance with RFQ
	requirements.
	□ Specifications of the Goods Required (Annex 1)
	□ Form for Submission of Quotation (Annex 2)
Annexes to this RFQ <sup>5</sup>	☑ General Terms and Conditions / Special Conditions (Annex 3).
	Non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC)
	shall be grounds for disqualification from this procurement process.
	Tatiana Panfil, Procurement Associate, UNDP
Contact Dayson for Institutes	tatiana.panfil@undp.org
Contact Person for Inquiries	Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for extending
(Written inquiries only) <sup>6</sup>	the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that such an
	extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to the Proposers.

Goods offered shall be reviewed based on completeness and compliance of the quotation with the minimum specifications described above and any other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

The quotation that complies with all of the specifications, requirements and offers the lowest price, as well as all other evaluation criteria indicated, shall be selected. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This contact person and address is officially designated by UNDP. If inquiries are sent to other person/s or address/es, even if they are UNDP staff, UNDP shall have no obligation to respond nor can UNDP confirm that the query was received.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Where the information is available in the web, a URL for the information may simply be provided.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price (obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity) shall be re-computed by UNDP. The unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the supplier does not accept the final price based on UNDP's re-computation and correction of errors, its quotation will be rejected.

After UNDP has identified the lowest price offer, UNDP reserves the right to award the contract based only on the prices of the goods in the event that the transportation cost (freight and insurance) is found to be higher than UNDP's own estimated cost if sourced from its own freight forwarder and insurance provider.

At any time during the validity of the quotation, no price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the quotation. At the time of award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

Any Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFQ shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a quotation implies that the vendor accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 3.

UNDP is not bound to accept any quotation, nor award a contract/Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Supplier's preparation and submission of a quotation, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

Please be advised that UNDP's vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal for persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract in a competitive procurement process. In the event that you believe you have not been fairly treated, you can find detailed information about vendor protest procedures in the following link: <a href="http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml">http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml</a>.

UNDP encourages every prospective Vendor to avoid and prevent conflicts of interest, by disclosing to UNDP if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, specifications, cost estimates, and other information used in this RFQ.

UNDP implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UNDP, as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. UNDP expects its suppliers to adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct found in this link: <a href="http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct\_english.pdf">http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct\_english.pdf</a>.

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours,

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Corina Oprea, ARR Operations

# Annex 1

# **Technical Specifications**

# BASIC SPECIFICATION SHEET

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LOT 1	Insulin pumps for chi	Insulin pumps for children		Quantity:	10 sets
Purpose:					
Insulin pum	np for children easy-to-use v	vith data	connectivity		
1.1 Specification	ons				
Insulin pum	np				
(1)	Dimensions	:	up to 94x56x25	mm	
(2)	Weight (g)	:	max 100g (excl	. battery, full cartrid	ge, infusion set)
(3)	Water proofing	: IPX7 or better			
(4)	CGM capability	cility : transmitter and sensor compatible with pump required			
(5)	Basal settings	gs : min: 0.02U/hr; max: 40 U/hr			
		:	min: 2 basal rat	e profiles	
(6)	Low glucose suspend mode	:	required		
(7)	Bolus settings	: max bolus delivery: 70U or more			
(8)	Battery for pump	:	min 14 days lith	nium battery life exp	ectancy

(1)	Warranty for pump	:	min: 48 months from delivery date
(2)	Warranty for data transmitter	:	min: 12 months from delivery date
(3)	Pump memory	:	min: 90 days on data and settings
(4)	Software	:	required: online system to provide uploading and processing of information received from the pump and sensor in the form of charts, graphs and tables
		:	required: online personal therapy software
(5)	Pump for insulin administration	:	equipped
(6)	Glucose monitoring option	:	display (interval measure: 40-400mg/dl/2,2-22,2 mmol/l)
	-	:	data storage for further analysis
(7)	Sensor insertion device	:	equipped
(8)	Insertion devices for infusion sets	:	required: for children
(9)	Measurement mode calibration	:	at least every 12 hours
(10)	Operating time of disposable sensor	:	min: 6 days
(11)	Alarm: low battery/low reservoir/ occlusion	:	required
(12)	Button lock mode to prevent unintended operation	:	required
(13)	Bolus calculator	:	required

LOT 2	Consumables for the Insulin pumps for children Quantity: 10 sets			10 sets	
Purpose:					
Consumable	es for the Insulin pump for chil	dren easy	-to-use with data	connectivity	
1.2 Specification	ns				
Consumables	s compatible with the proposed insu	ılin pump sı	officient to cover 14	4 months period	
(1) Res	servoir/cartridge capacity	:	required		
(2) Infu	ision sets	:	required		
		:	flexible teflon ca	nnula - length 6-9	mm
		:	cannula tubing le	ength 45-110cm	
(3) Glu	cose monitoring sensor	:	required		
(4) She	elf-life for consumables	:	required to cover	the entire period	of 14 months
		:	delivery in tranch	nes is acceptable*	
Required minimum quantity of consumables:					
infusion tube	es and catheters + insulin reservoir	+ glucose n	nonitoring sensor -	to cover min. 14 i	months period

 $<sup>*</sup>Pls.\ attach\ delivery\ schedule\ for\ the\ consumables\ whose\ shelf-life\ is\ smaller\ than\ 14\ months.$ 

#### Annex 2

# FORM FOR SUBMITTING SUPPLIER'S QUOTATION<sup>7</sup>

(This Form must be submitted only using the Supplier's Official Letterhead/Stationery8)

We, the undersigned, hereby accept in full the UNDP General Terms and Conditions, and hereby offer to supply the items listed below in conformity with the specification and requirements of UNDP as per RFQ Reference No. RfQ19-01991:

**TABLE 1: Offer to Supply Goods Compliant with Technical Specifications and Requirements** 

Item No.	Description/Specification of Goods	Quantity	Latest Delivery Date	Unit Price	Total Price per Item
Lot 1	Insulin pump for children easy-to-use with data connectivity	10 units	30 calendar days		
Lot 2	Consumables insulin pumps for children	10 units	30 calendar days		
	Total Prices of Goods <sup>9</sup>				
	Add : Cost of Transportation				
	Add : Cost of Insurance				
	Add : Other Charges (pls. specify)				
	Total Final and All-Inclusive Price Quotation				

#### **TABLE 2: Estimated Cost of consumables**

List of Consumable Item/s*	Estimated Average Consumption per year/units	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Total Price per Item
Please list, if any				

<sup>\*</sup>The cost of consumables in the Table 2 shall be provided for information purpose only. It is required to estimate future requirements of consumables.

**TABLE 3: Offer to Comply with Other Conditions and Related Requirements** 

Other Information pertaining to our		Your Responses				
Quotation are as follows :	Yes, we will comply	No, we cannot comply	If you cannot comply, pls. indicate counter			
			proposal			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This serves as a guide to the Supplier in preparing the quotation and price schedule.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Pricing of goods should be consistent with the INCO Terms indicated in the RFQ

Delivery Lead Time 30 calendar days	
Country/ies Of Origin <sup>10</sup> :	
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements	
<ul> <li>a) Training on Operations and Maintenance</li> </ul>	
b) Minimum two (2) year warranty on both parts and labor	
<ul> <li>c) Service Unit to be Provided when the Purchased Unit is Under Repair</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>d) Brand new replacement if</li> <li>Purchased Unit is beyond repair</li> </ul>	
e) Others	
Validity of Quotation 90 days	
All Provisions of the UNDP General Terms	
and Conditions	
Other requirements [pls. specify]	

All other information that we have not provided automatically implies our full compliance with the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFQ.

[Name and Signature of the Supplier's Authorized Person] [Designation] [Date]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> If the country of origin requires Export License for the goods being procured, or other relevant documents that the country of destination may require, the supplier must submit them to UNDP if awarded the PO/contract.



Annex 3

#### **General Terms and Conditions**

#### 1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PURCHASE ORDER

This 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 this Purchase Order, including these General Conditions. No additional or inconsistent provisions proposed by the Supplier shall bind UNDP unless agreed to in writing by a duly authorized official of UNDP.

#### 2. PAYMENT

- 2.1 UNDP 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.
- 2.2 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.
- 2.3 Unless authorized by UNDP, 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 UNDP.

#### 3. TAX EXEMPTION

- 3.1 Section 7 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations provides, inter alia, that the United Nations, 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 UNDP's exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Supplier shall immediately consult with UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.
- Accordingly, the Supplier authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Supplier's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Supplier has consulted with UNDP before the payment thereof and UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Supplier to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Supplier shall provide UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

#### 4. RISK OF LOSS

Risk of loss, damage to or destruction of the goods shall be governed in accordance with Incoterms 2010, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties on the front side of this Purchase Order.

### 5. EXPORT LICENCES

Notwithstanding any INCOTERM 2010 used in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall obtain any export licences required for the goods.

#### 6. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

The Supplier warrants that the goods, including packaging, conform to the specifications for the goods ordered under this 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 UNDP, 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.

#### 7. INSPECTION

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

#### 8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

The Supplier warrants that the use or supply by UNDP of the goods sold under this 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 UNDP and the United Nations harmless from any actions or claims brought against UNDP 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.

#### 9. RIGHTS OF UNDP

In case of failure by the Supplier to fulfil its obligations under the terms and conditions of this 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, UNDP 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:

- 9.1 Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNDP may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- 9.2 Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.
- 9.3 Cancel this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

#### 10. 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 UNDP to determine the most expeditious means for delivering the goods and (ii) use an expedited means of delivery, at the Supplier's cost (unless the delay is due to <u>Force Majeure</u>), if reasonably so requested by UNDP.

#### 11. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

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

#### 12. USE OF UNDP OR UNITED NATIONS NAME OR EMBLEM

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

#### 13. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

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

#### 14. 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 UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

#### 15. MINES

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is actively and directly engaged in patent activities, development, assembly, production, trade or manufacture of mines or in such activities in respect of components primarily utilized in the manufacture of Mines. The term "Mines" means those devices defined in Article 2, Paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Protocol II annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects of 1980.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

#### 16. 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, including its provisions on applicable law. 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.

#### 17. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or related to these General Terms and 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.

#### **18. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:**

- 18.1 The Contractor shall take all appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse of anyone by it or by any of its employees or any other persons who may be 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, shall constitute the sexual exploitation and abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor shall refrain from, and shall take all appropriate measures to prohibit its employees or other persons engaged by it from, exchanging any money, goods, services, offers of employment or other things of value, for sexual favors or activities, or from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitive or degrading to any person. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the provisions hereof constitute an essential term of the Contract and that any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate the Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind.
- 18.2 UNDP shall not apply the foregoing standard relating to age in any case in which the Contractor's personnel or any other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract is married to the person less than the age of eighteen years with whom sexual activity has occurred and in which such marriage is recognized as valid under the laws of the country of citizenship of such Contractor's personnel or such other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract.

## 19. OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:

The Contractor warrants that no official of UNDP or the United Nations has received or will be offered by the Contractor any direct or indirect benefit arising from this Contract or the award thereof. The Contractor agrees that breach of this provision is a breach of an essential term of this Contract.

#### 20. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possess the authority to agree on behalf of UNDP to any modification of or change in this Agreement, to a waiver of any of its provisions or to any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor. Accordingly, no modification or change in this Contract shall be valid and enforceable against UNDP unless provided by an amendment to this Agreement signed by the Contractor and jointly by the UNDP Authorized Official.