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PARLIAMENTARY SERVICE COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

Our Ref: PJS/PROC/2020-2021/42

Date: 3rd February, 2021

TO ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

TENDER NO. PSC//012/2020-2021

**SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF NETWORK & VOICE
INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE CENTRE FOR PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES & TRAINING
(CPST).**

CLARIFICATIONS SOUGHT BY BIDDERS;

The Parliamentary Service Commission is in receipt of questions from various bidders seeking clarifications on the referred tender.

The table below shows the issues and the responses/clarifications provided.

	Question raised by bidder	Responses/clarifications by the client
a)	We do hereby draw your kind attention to item No.7 under network switches on page 30 of the tender document. The specification described (IOS XE 16.5.1a) is a specified brand (Cisco) that locks out any other vendor with equivalent solution. we therefore request for clarification if other vendors with an equivalent solution can participate on the bid and the item can be listed as IOS.16.5.1a or an approved equivalent	Bidders are advised that the specification of item No.7 on page 30 "Run IOS XE 16.5.1a (minimum), SD-Access Architecture" shall read "Run IOS XE 16.5.1a or its equivalent"
b)	The dimension under item 6 on page 30 of the tender document are very specific and can only be matched by one model from a specific brand. Please clarify if it's possible to base this requirement on minimum or maximum dimensions based on the switch length and width needed	Bidders are advised that item 6 on page 30 "Dimensions (with power supply) 4.4 x 44.5 x 44.9 (centimetres)" shall be "19inch rack mountable"
c)	Due to current unprecedented situation caused by Covid -19 pandemic were are experiencing substantial delays in getting response from our prospective suppliers, contractors and partners regarding the availability of the materials and the pricing of the same. We need to import a number of items for this project and since the specified PABX brand is based in UK and there is	The PSC notes that the Covid-19 is a pandemic affecting all the people across the globe however, the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015 and its attendant Regulations are explicit on the number of days a tender should take and its obligations

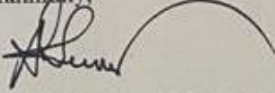
	very limited activity in that country and the response is extremely slow	to comply. The application for extension of the submission period is therefore not granted.
d)	Kindly clarify what software version is running for the existing unify Hipath 4000 system at the Parliament Square	The software version is Suse Linux Enterprise

Yours faithfully,

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