

IDB360-659/05

Country: BAHAMAS

Project: PROVISION OF AVIATION SECURITY TRAINING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME

Sector: Consultants

Subject: CONTRACTING OF SERVICES AND PROCUREMENT OF GOODS

Agreement No. ATN/MT 9073-BH

Expressions of Interest

The Government of The Bahamas (GOB) has received financial assistance from the Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF), which is administered by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), to finance the contracting of services and procurement of goods, necessary for the execution of a Technical Cooperation agreement to strengthen airport security in the Bahamas. The Ministry of Transport and Aviation (MOTA) is the executing agency for this Project.

The objective of the Project is to strengthen airport security at seven airports in the Bahamas by updating and modifying the regulations and procedures of the Bahamas Civil Aviation Department (CAD), training aviation security and operations personnel, and creating an effective and efficient security team within related government agencies to meet new international norms and standards.

The Project has three inter-related components:

- Regulatory Strengthening
- Implementation of New Administrative Services
- Training

Activities under the training component of this Project encompass the strengthening of regulations and procedures required to monitor and oversee the minimum standards and practices established in the Bahamas National Civil aviation Security Plan and to satisfy the requirements of the most recent version of ICAO Annex 17 to the Chicago Convention, and, the procedures and guidance set in the Document 8973 Security Manual for Safeguarding Civil Aviation against Acts of Unlawful Interference; and the development of relevant security manuals as well as security certificate programmes.

In accordance with the GOB & IDB's Procurement Procedures the MOTA is inviting suitably qualified consulting firms to submit expressions of interest for carrying out aspects of the Regulatory Strengthening programme in collaboration with the MOTA, including the following:

- Basic aviation security training of approximately 20 persons from Nassau Airport Authority (NAA) and 100 from the Civil Aviation Department (CAD)
- Training of eight persons from the CAD and four from NAA on air cargo and mail security systems
- Training of 15 persons from the CAD, NAA and other related government agencies in the identification and detection of bombs and other incendiary devices

- Train 15 CAD staff in Airport Security Program development and monitoring
- Provide training course on incident/hostage negotiation select group of employees of CAD, NAA and Bahamas Police
- Training of 13 trainers to keep staff current on changes to security regulations and procedures
- Training of six staff members of CAD and NAA in airline security

Consulting firms from MIF member countries are invited to submit expressions of interest with a view to being short-listed. IDB's applicable rules will apply in determining the eligibility of the consultant. The information provided will be used to prepare a shortlist of potential candidates who will be subsequently invited to submit detailed proposals in response to detailed terms of reference.

Statements of interest should outline the consultant's qualifications and experience, record on similar projects, financial capacity and experience in working with clients to meet their needs. Expressions will be evaluated using the following weight criteria:

- Experience of company doing similar work (40)
- Qualifications and experience of project managers and lead personnel in regulation of airport security and training (30)
- Past experience of company in the Bahamas/Caribbean region (10)
- Financial capability of company Pass/Fail
- Participation of local company/personnel (10)
- Demonstrated understanding of project and deliverables (10)

Interested firms should submit three printed copies of their expressions of interest, clearly marked "Expressions of Interest – Consulting Services for Regulation of Airport Security" to the address below, no later than 1400 hours on 8 August 2005. An electronic copy of the expression of interest should also be submitted to Mr. Jerry Hutchinson, Project Coordinator at e-mail address: jerryhutchinson@bahamas.gov.bs

Late submissions will not be considered.

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