



DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
KAGAWARAN NG UGNAYANG PANLABAS

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

BAC Resolution No. HO-048-23

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING, BY REFERENDUM, AWARD OF CONTRACT THROUGH NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT UNDER SECTION 53.5 (AGENCY-TO-AGENCY) AS ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF PROCUREMENT FOR THE CONDUCT OF 2023 FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER EXAMINATIONS (FSOE) QUALIFYING TEST ON 5 FEBRUARY 2023

WHEREAS, the Board of Foreign Service Examination ("BFSE") intends to request the Civil Service Commission ("CSC") to develop and conduct the 2023 Foreign Service Officer Examinations ("FSOE") Qualifying Test on 5 February 2023;

WHEREAS, the request to CSC for the development and conduct of the 2023 FSOE Qualifying Test, with an Approved Budget for the Contract ("ABC") in the total amount of **One Million Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Pesos** (PhP 1,344,500.00) only, chargeable against BFSE's 2023 MOOE for Other Professional Services, is included in the Department's Supplemental Annual Procurement Plan ("SAPP") for FY 2023;

WHEREAS, Section 53.5 of the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations ("IRR") of Republic Act ("RA") No. 9184, otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act of 2003", allows negotiated procurement as a method of procurement from another agency of the Government;

WHEREAS, further, Annex H(V)(5)(a) of the IRR states that Agency-to-Agency Agreements shall be governed by the IRR, unless otherwise provided by a special law;

WHEREAS, after conducting a market study, the end-user unit determined that the identified service provider could undertake the project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to CSC Resolution No. 1302397 dated 29 October 2013, the CSC shall develop and conduct, in collaboration with the Department and through a Memorandum of Agreement, an examination for FSOs which shall be known as the Career Service Examination for Foreign Service Officers ("CSE-FSO");

WHEREAS, the BFSE submitted to the Bids and Awards Committee ("BAC") a draft Memorandum of Agreement with CSC, which reflects the cost for the conduct of the 2023 FSOE Qualifying Test at **One Million Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Ninety Six Pesos and Eight Centavos (PhP 1,344,096.08) only**;

WHEREAS, said cost incorporates the conduct of the exam for 646 registered examinees in the following areas: San Fernando City, La Union; Tuguegarao City; San Fernando, Pampanga; Lucena City; Legazpi City; Iloilo City; Cebu City; Palo, Leyte; Zamboanga City; Cagayan de Oro City; Davao City; Quezon City and Baguio City;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the members of the Bids and Awards Committee of the Department, RESOLVE to RECOMMEND to the Head of the Procuring Entity ("HOPE") to resort to Negotiated Procurement ("Agency-to-Agency") as an alternative method of procurement for the development and conduct of the 2023 FSOE Qualifying Test from the **Civil Service Commission** ("CSC"), in the amount of **One Million Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Ninety Six Pesos and Eight Centavos (PhP 1,344,096.08)** only, subject to the abovementioned requirements, and provided that existing auditing rules and regulations shall be strictly observed by the end-user.

ADOPTED, this 3rd day of February 2023 at Pasay City.



CHARLIE P. MANANGAN
BAC Chairperson



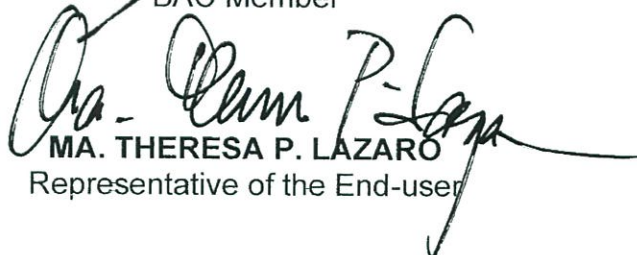
PAUL VINCENT L. UY
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BAC Member



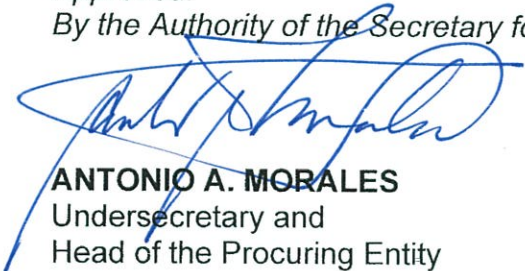
CONRADO B. DEMDEM, JR.
BAC Member



MA. THERESA P. LAZARO
Representative of the End-user

Approved:

By the Authority of the Secretary for Foreign Affairs:



ANTONIO A. MORALES
Undersecretary and
Head of the Procuring Entity



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NOTICE OF AWARD

3 February 2023

Sir/Madam:

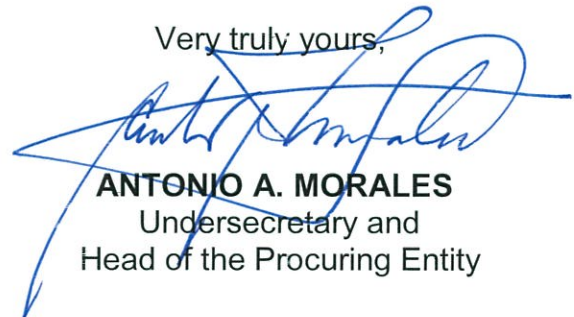
Please be informed that, upon the recommendation of the Bids and Awards Committee (“BAC”) of the Department of Foreign Affairs (“DFA”) as contained in its Resolution No. **HO-048-23**, the Department is awarding the contract on the following project/procurement to your firm, **Civil Service Commission**:

Project Title	End-User Unit
PROCUREMENT FOR THE CONDUCT OF 2023 FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER EXAMINATIONS (FSOE) QUALIFYING TEST ON 5 FEBRUARY 2023	BFSE

The contract has a total cost of **One Million Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Ninety Six Pesos and Eight Centavos (PhP 1,344,096.08)** only, including taxes and other lawful charges.

This award and the implementation of the project/procurement are subject to the signing of a contract and compliance with all applicable accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Very truly yours,



ANTONIO A. MORALES
Undersecretary and
Head of the Procuring Entity

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