Clarification No.2

QUESTION 1

Regarding the LBP 1,000,000 stamp duty required under ITB 12.1, could you please provide the beneficiary details and instructions for completing the payment through Whish Money or OMT as an international bidder?

Please also confirm the payment reference we should use.

ANSWER 1

International bidders may pay the LBP 1,000,000 stamp duty required under ITB 12.1 using one of the following methods:

- **Option 1 (OMT Pay Application):**

  The bidder may create an active online OMT Pay account with sufficient funds, select the **Ministry of Finance** payment option, and complete the transaction directly within the application. The bidder must retain and submit the digital OMT payment receipt as proof of payment.

  Option 2 (Whish Money):

  The bidder may designate a representative in Lebanon to pay the stamp duty in person at any Whish Money branch. The representative must obtain the physical payment receipt, scan it, and send it to the bidder to include as proof of payment.

QUESTION 2

Referring to tender Ref No: LEAP-MoPH2 for the supply of 29 ambulances, we kindly request clarifications regarding the below points:

1. Main Patient Stretcher: A stainless steel stretcher is mainly used as an emergency stretcher in hospitals not inside ambulances, the stretcher for an ambulance is made of aluminum alloy, please advise
2. Emergency and Working lights:
   - Siren: The request is for a Siren amplifier of 200W is an old technology and nowadays the modern technology provides higher sound intensity (decibels) with lower power (100W). Will a Siren with 100W and high dB be accepted?
   - Rumbler: This is a low-frequency siren usually used in fire trucks, will it be accepted not to include it for the ambulance?
3. Please clarify what is meant by "Substantially Responsive" and how important is it to meet the specs where this comment is added.

   For example:
   - In the Trauma Bag, 10 x Chest seals are requested, will any number be accepted?
   - In the Pulse Oximeter, can the Alarm and plethysmographic waveform be considered as Optional?
   - In the AED, a semi-automatic AED does not include a pacemaker pulse detection

ANSWER 2

1. Main Patient Stretcher – Frame Material:
The requirement for "Stainless Steel or Steel Frame" is identified as **substantially responsive**. Accordingly, an alternative frame material, such as high-strength aluminum alloy, may be accepted provided that the bidder demonstrates that the proposed stretcher is specifically designed for ambulance use and provides equivalent or superior structural strength, durability, corrosion resistance, safety, and load-bearing performance. Supporting manufacturer technical documentation shall be submitted.

2. The specified 200W siren amplifier requirement shall be maintained.
The low-frequency rumbler system is required and shall be included.

3. "Substantially Responsive" means that the offered item shall meet the essential requirements of the specification without any material deviation, reservation, or omission. Minor deviations may be accepted only where they do not substantially affect the scope, quality, performance, safety, or intended use of the item, supported by the necessary manufacturer's technical documentation .

Clarification:

Bidders are hereby notified of the following amendments to the RFB:

In addition to the standard requirements specified in the Bidding Documents, bids must be delivered to the address provided in the Request for Bids (RFB) document either by hand or via courier. Bidders must also include an additional electronic copy of the Technical Part Envelope on CD-ROM or USB flash drive, to be enclosed inside the Technical Envelope.

All other terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents remain unchanged.