

27 August 2004

Mr. Levin,

I have received today the report of the Contracts Committee on Call for Bids No. 1142/04 for "Budget and financial management control systems implementation and ICT strategy definition and implementation". The Contracts Committee informs me that it considers that it is not in a position to recommend the signature of a contract with either bidder (copy of the recommendation attached).

In view of the above, I propose to issue a new call for bids, under the following terms:

- The number of companies invited to bid should be increased to include all companies qualified in this field.
- ITU should make an oral presentation to fully explain the content of the bid to all companies before bids are submitted.
- The new bid should request companies to make proposals as follows:
 - a) for the same terms of reference as the original bid with the necessary minor date modifications;
 - b) for the same terms of reference as the original bid but with a 1-year extension of the delivery date;
 - c) within the budgetary envelope of 4.8m CHF, indicate what time frame they would need to fully implement the TORs;
 - d) within the budgetary envelope of 4.8m CHF, indicate what they could achieve within the time frame set by Council.

I should like you to take immediate necessary action to prepare the above.

The proposed course of action above should be consulted with the NCOG at their forthcoming meeting.



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Secretary-General

cc. Contracts Committee
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