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CLARIFICATION NO. 2, answers to questions received on 28 March 2023

No	Question	Answer
1.	<p>In Qualification part of BD there is a requirement for a non-manufacture Bidder to provide Manufacture's Authorisation and such a MAF should somehow meet the requirements set for a manufacture Bidder in sub-clauses (d) (i and (ii)) of Clause (e):</p> <p>(i) it has manufactured goods of similar nature and complexity for at least 5 years, prior to the bid submission deadline; and</p> <p>(ii) its annual production capacity of goods of similar nature and complexity for each of the last 5 years, prior to the bid submission deadline, is at least 2 times the quantities specified under the contract.</p> <p>Question: The Manufacture's Authorization Form does not contain any editable lines to put in information that meet sub-clauses (i) and (ii). Bidder shall not change the form of MAF. What can a non-manufacture Bidder do in this case?</p>	<p>According to the Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria of the Bidding Document:</p> <p>(f)Manufacturer’s authorization: A Bidder <u>who does not manufacture an item/s where a manufacturer authorization is required in accordance with BDS ITB 17.2 (a)</u>, the Bidder shall provide evidence of being duly authorized by a manufacturer meeting the criteria in (d) (i) and (ii) .</p> <p>Please note that the Manufacture's Authorization Form presented in the Section IV – Bidding Forms should not be modified.</p> <p>All other related information could be submitted separately in a free format.</p>
2.	<p>Question related to the Specific Experience of the Bidder: What exchange rate should we use in calculating total amounts in US dollars for the similar contracts, and namely what date and what source should we take for this purpose? Is it possible to use the date of contract signing and the National Bank as an exchange rate source?</p>	<p>The usage of the average exchange rate of the Central Bank to the day of Contract Signature is acceptable.</p>