**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION AMENDMENT NOTICE**

**Date: March 1, 2024**

On January 3, 2024, the Government of Armenia (hereinafter – GoA) represented by the Ministry of the Internal Affairs (hereinafter – MIA, Contracting Authority) announced a Selection Procedure to acquire biometric passport and national ID card issuance services. The MIA aims to enter a public – private partnership (PPP) agreement on issuing Biometric Passports and Identity Cards (PPP project).

Since the announcement of the Request for Qualification (hereinafter – RFQ) for the PPP project, which, among other matters, sets out formal and substantive requirements for Qualification Bids, the procedure for submitting and reviewing the Qualification Bids, as well as the Qualification Criteria and conditions for admission to take part in the bidding process based on the Request for Proposal, the Contracting Authority has received requests to prolong the deadline for the submission of Qualification Bids, as well as to clarify the RFQ requirements.

The Contracting Authority is currently evaluating the feasibility of such proposed changes and is preparing to announce the amended RFQ by March 11, 2024. The Potential Applicants shall note that the deadline for submission of Qualification Bids will be deferred up to 4 weeks from the initial submission deadline.

Please note, in addition, for all documents to be submitted by the Potential Applicants that have an expiry date as per "Annex 6. Content of qualification bid”, the expiry date will be prolonged accordingly to the bid submission deadline extension, hence there will be no need for the Potential Applicants to reissue such documents, is such actions have already been taken.