Global Acquisitions
U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE

RESTRICTING COMPETITION NOT EXCEEDING THE SIMPLIFIED ACQUISTION THRESHOLD

SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE AGENCY AND THE CONTRACTING ACTIVITY

Department of State Contracting Activity	☐ Acquisition Management ☐ Foreign Service Institute ☐ Office of Foreign Missions ☐ U.S. Mission to the United Nations ☒ Overseas Post American Consulate General Frankfurt
Requiring Activity	Frankfurt Diplomatic Technology / Customer Experience (FRN-DT-CE)

SECTION 2: NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION BEING APPROVED

Approval is requested to award on a brand-name basis for the Apple iPhone 17e, as described in Section 3 and 5, on behalf of the Requiring Activity.

SECTION 3: DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEEDS

The requirement is to provide **74 units of the Apple iPhone 17e** at the **American Consulate General Frankfurt, Germany** (Ship To: Homburger Landstr. 7-9, 60389 Frankfurt, Germany). The estimated value for the entire period of performance is **$50,543.72 USD (43,467.60 EUR)**, including options.

These supplies require the procurement of the Apple iPhone 17e (brand name) to replace end-of-iOS-update devices (iPhone 11 and iPhone 12 models) currently in use at post. This will allow the Office of **Diplomatic Technology / Customer Experience (FRN-DT-CE)** to accomplish its objective of maintaining a secure, up-to-date mobile device fleet for post personnel. **Funding breakdown (74 units total):**

Funding Source	Units
DS-ESC	5
RDT-ICSD	5
ICASS	42
OBO	8
RSC	4
PROGRAM	10
Grand Total	**74**

SECTION 4: IDENTIFICATION OF THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY PERMITTING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION

In accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 12.102(a), the Contracting Officer has deemed only one source reasonably available based on the following:

☐ Urgency

☐ Exclusive licensing agreements

☒ Brand-name

☐ Industrial mobilization

☐ Other

SECTION 5: DEMONSTRATION THAT THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS OR THE NATURE OF THE ACQUISITION REQUIRES USE OF THE AUTHORITY CITED

The Apple iPhone 17e is required by brand name because post's existing mobile device infrastructure — including Mobile Device Management (MDM) configuration profiles, security policies, and approved application suites — is standardized on the Apple iOS ecosystem. The devices being replaced (iPhone 11 and iPhone 12) are no longer receiving iOS security updates, creating a cybersecurity vulnerability that must be remediated promptly.

Substituting a non-Apple or non-equivalent device would require significant reconfiguration of MDM systems, retraining of users, and potential incompatibility with Department-approved security tools. The iPhone 17e is the current-generation Apple device that is compatible with post's existing accessories, charging infrastructure, and cases already on order (see PR16003750).

This is the official list of DOS approved GFE phones: https://usdos.sharepoint.com/sites/ES-MCS/EES/Lists/Approved%20Devices/GO-mobile-All.aspx

SECTION 6. DETERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER THAT THE ANTICIPATED COST TO THE GOVERNMENT IS FAIR AND REASONABLE

By signing this justification, the Contracting Officer makes a determination that the price to the Government is anticipated to be fair and reasonable.

SECTION 7. CERTIFICATIONS

All reviews and approvals should be completed in the order listed unless otherwise authorized or required.

REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION

I certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this Justification and its supporting acquisition planning documents, except as noted herein, are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Requirements Cognizance:
SIGNATURE:

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Peter F. Martin — Date

DT Management Specialist

FRN-DT-CE

CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I certify that this submission is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that it contains complete information necessary to enable other officials to make an informed recommendation for approval or disapproval.

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