Frigate Acquisition Project

1. The Department of National Defense/Armed Forces of the Philippines (DND/AFP), through the Revised AFP Modernization Program with the sum of **EIGHTEEN BILLION PESOS (PHP18,000,000,000.00)** being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) for the payments under the corresponding contract for the two (2) frigates for the Philippine Navy. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at the Bid opening.

2. The DND/AFP now invites bids for the Acquisition of Two (2) units New Construction Frigates with Ammunition for the Philippine Navy. Delivery of the GOODS is required within a period of 1,460 calendar days from the opening of Letter of Credit. Bidders should have completed, within the last ten (10) years from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a contract similar to the Project. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly, in Section II. Instructions to Bidders.

3. Bidding will be conducted through a two (2) stage competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary “pass/fail” criterion as specified in the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 9184, otherwise known as the “Government Procurement Reform Act”.

4. Interested bidders may obtain further information from DND Bids and Awards Committee (DND SBAC-1) Secretariat and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from Monday to Friday excluding holidays at 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

5. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be purchased by interested Bidders on October 03, 2013 from the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee for the Bidding Documents in the amount of SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (PHP75,000.00).

   It may also be downloaded free of charge from the website of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and the website of the Procuring Entity, provided that Bidders shall pay the non-refundable fee for the Bidding Documents not later than the submission of their bids.

6. The DND SBAC-1 will hold its First Stage Pre-Bid Conference on October 11, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. at DND BAC Conference Room, Right Wing Basement, DND Bldg., Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City, which shall be open to all interested parties.
7. First Stage Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before October 25, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in any of the acceptable forms as provided in the bidding documents.

8. First Stage Bid opening shall be on October 25, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. at DND BAC Conference Room, Basement, DND Bldg., Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below. Late bids shall not be accepted.

9. Eligible Bidders shall be notified for the Second Stage Bidding Procedure upon completion of the evaluation and validation of the submitted documents during the First Stage Bidding.

10. To facilitate eligibility checking, interested bidders may apply for registration with the DND SBAC-1, through the SBAC-1 Secretariat not later than ten (10) days from the scheduled submission and opening of bids for the project.

11. The DND/AFP reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, to annul the bidding process, and to reject all Bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders.

12. For further information, please refer to:

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