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Overseas Operations Office

From : American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC), Overseas Operations Office, 32 rue Monceau, 75008 Paris, France.

Subject: RFP for Contract Specialist Support Services, Amendment # 74330226R00260002.

Date: 24 February 2026

The purpose of this amendment is to (1) extend the proposal submission deadline and (2) provide cumulative answers to bidders' questions received to date, including those previously addressed in Amendment 0001. Except as expressly modified herein, all other terms and conditions remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of this amendment in their proposal cover letter.

1. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The proposal submission deadline is revised as follows:

- FROM: 27 February 2026, 3:00 PM Paris time (CET)
- TO: 04 March 2026, 3:00 PM Paris time (CET)

Please submit proposals to Raminta Grigunaite (grigunaiter@abmc.gov) and Michael B. Bachofen (bachofenm@abmc.gov).

2. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS (CUMULATIVE)

Question 1: Regarding "Past Performance", could the Government please verify that the "...3 references..." is speaking of individuals who can assess the offeror in light of the requirement's scope?

Answer: Yes. The requirement for at least three references for similar services refers to references who can speak to the offeror's performance on similar work (e.g., customers/points of contact able to assess quality, timeliness, responsiveness, and relevance to the PWS scope).

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Question 2: Could the Government please provide the contract number, incumbent, and total awarded price for the predecessor contract to this requirement?

Answer: This requirement is not a follow-on/predecessor effort to an incumbent contract for the Paris-based/Europe performance described in this RFP. ABMC does have other separate contracting support arrangements that will continue, but they are not predecessors to this requirement.

Question 3: Could the Government please clarify whether paid vacation/PTO days should be calculated in the fully burdened hourly labor rate or proposed separately as a set number of working days?

Answer: Offerors shall propose a fully burdened hourly labor rate for CLIN 0001 that includes all costs necessary to perform, including applicable indirect costs, overhead, profit, and employer obligations. PTO/vacation shall not be proposed as a separate number of days for reimbursement; invoicing is based on approved labor hours worked under the labor-hour contract structure.

Question 4: Should a future GS job vacancy be advertised at ABMC Overseas Operations Office, could the awardee of this requirement apply and be considered for it? And, if selected, could that person transition from the contractor position to the GS position?

Answer: Yes. Contractor personnel may apply for a future GS vacancy if announced, and would be considered in accordance with applicable hiring procedures. If a contractor employee is selected for a GS position, ABMC will coordinate an appropriate transition, which may include replacement of key personnel (subject to Contracting Officer approval) and/or other contract actions consistent with the contract's terms, including ABMC's termination rights.

Question 5: Will travel CLIN cover all travel to and from Paris, as well as work trips abroad? How often will the candidate(s) need to travel to-from Paris and for how long should they plan to stay there on average?

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(Carried forward from Amendment 0001.)

Answer: ABMC's preferred arrangement is full-time on-site support in Paris, France. However, ABMC may allow a hybrid arrangement (remote within Europe with periodic on-site presence in Paris) to attract the most qualified candidates, subject to mission needs and COR/CO direction.

Under any hybrid arrangement, the Contract Specialist will be expected to provide regular on-site support in Paris. The frequency and duration of on-site support will be determined based on operational requirements and coordinated with the COR. Offerors should not include travel costs in their proposed fully burdened hourly labor rates. Authorized travel, including travel to and from Paris for approved on-site support and travel to other ABMC locations, will be reimbursed under the travel CLIN, in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) and subject to prior approval. ABMC cannot provide a fixed travel schedule at this time. Offerors should propose reasonable travel assumptions and clearly state those assumptions in their proposals.

Question 6: Considering there's no mention of www.sam.gov in the RFP, could the Government please verify whether a U.S.-based company needs to be registered in www.sam.gov for purposes of this requirement?

Answer: SAM registration is not required for foreign vendors (registration is automatically waived). For non-federal U.S. vendors, SAM registration is generally required; however, ABMC's Contracting Officer may approve a case-by-case waiver consistent with ABMC Policy 6.7 and applicable authorities (e.g., 36 U.S.C. 2103(c) and FAR 4.1102 exceptions).

We look forward to receiving your proposals in due course.

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