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Planning

## **Hardship and Cost of Living Data Processing & Provision**

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

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Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-015599

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d30d

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

King Charles Street

London

SW1A 2AH

#### **Email**

[cpg.enquires@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:cpg.enquires@fcdo.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk/fco](http://www.gov.uk/fco)

Buyer's address

<https://fco.bravosolution.co.uk/>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Hardship and Cost of Living Data Processing & Provision

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72322000 - Data management services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

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collation, checking and distribution of worldwide Cost of Living and Hardship information. The data gathered in this exercise is used to calculate the Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) and Hardship element of Diplomatic Service Allowance (DSA) that the FCDO provides to its staff serving overseas.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £123,275

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 72322000 - Data management services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

15 April 2024

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

The current Hardship and Cost of Living Data Processing & Provision contract will expire on 14 April 2024.

We will be holding a virtual supplier engagement session on 1000-1300, Wednesday 21 June 2023, on Microsoft Teams. This session will cover the policy, requirement, commercial aspects, and indicative procurement timeline, and will be followed by a Q&A session and buyer/supplier 1-1s. This virtual supplier engagement session will be for a maximum of 2 attendees per supplier.

If this opportunity is of interest to you and you would like to register for the virtual supplier engagement session, please register for the FCDO's e-sourcing portal

(<https://fcdo.bravosolution.co.uk/esop/guest/login.do>) and respond via the messaging portal to PQQ no. 1407 by 2359 on 16 June 2023.