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Mr. Ehsan Kareem,
Deputy Director (C&S),
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Islamabad.

Subject: Violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Deputy Director (C&S), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad's Tender Notice for Procuring Services of Repair & Maintenance of Security Cameras Installed in the MoFA and its Premises, Islamabad

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in Daily 'Dunya' Newspaper on 22 January, 2026. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule No. 13 'Response Time'.

In the tender notice, the submission and opening date of bid is given on 03-02-2026, where it does not fulfill the fifteen days of response time, and is two (02) days less. It is a violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 13. The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

*13. Response time.- (1) The procuring agency may decide the response time for receipt of bids or proposals (including proposals for pre-qualification) from the date of publication of an advertisement or notice, keeping in view the individual procurement's complexity, availability and urgency. However, under no circumstances the response time shall be less than fifteen ***days for national competitive bidding and thirty ***days for international competitive bidding from the date of publication of advertisement or notice.*

Deputy Director (C&S), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad is requested to rectify the given mistake and issue corrigendum in accordance with Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004 to avoid mis-procurement under Rule 50.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across-the-board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption, and achieve Zero tolerance against corruption.

Regards,


Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar,
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Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

1. Managing Director, Public Procurement Regulatory Authority, Islamabad.
2. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission (PMIC), Islamabad.



Note:

This is to clarify that Transparency International Pakistan is not a complainant, it acts as a whistleblower and operate under Article 19-A, of the Constitution of Pakistan which gives the right to public to know how government is being run by public officers. Article 19-A makes the right to access of information pertaining to a public authority a fundamental right, and a three member bench in case of Mukhtar Ahmad Ali vs the Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad, headed by Chief Justice Qazi Faez Isa in the landmark judgment on 16 October 2023, in CP No. 3532/2023, has declared that

"What previously may have been on a need-to-know basis Article 19A of the Constitution has transformed it to a right-to-know, and the Access to information is no longer a discretion granted through occasional benevolence, but is now a fundamental right available with every Pakistani which right may be invoked under Article 19A of the Constitution"

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| <p>No. C&S-1/20/2022(SLA) Government of Pakistan Ministry of Foreign Affairs Islamabad</p> |
| <p>Tender Notice</p> |
| <p>Ministry of Foreign Affairs invites sealed bids from experienced and well reputed firms registered with Income Tax and Sales Tax authorities of Government of Pakistan for "Procuring Services of Repair and Maintenance of Security Cameras Installed in the MoFA and its Premises, Islamabad".</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">The Bidders should be registered on the e-Pak acquisition Disposal System (E-PADS) in order to participate in the subject tender. Interested bidders can register themselves electronically on E-PADS through http://e-procure.gov.pk supplier/ registration, Bidding documents, containing detailed terms and conditions can be access through the E-PADS."SINGLE STAGE TWO ENVELOPE PROCEDURE" will be followed. Firms should mark both the envelopes separately with the words TECHNICAL PROPOSAL and FINANCIAL PROPOSAL, and then seal the two envelopes in a single package.The tender is also available on PPRA Website as well as E-PADS.Bids prepared in accordance with the instructions provided in the bidding documents, must be submitted electronically through E-PADS only and original Bids security must be submitted in (in hard form) through legally authorized representatives at the address given hereunder on or before on 03rd February 2026 at 1130 hours i.e. the closing of bid time and will be open on the same day at 1200 hours.Amount of Bid Security @ 5% of the total quoted amount in favor of Ministry of Foreign Affairs.The Ministry of Foreign Affairs reserves the right to accept or reject all bids in accordance with PPRA Rules. |
| <p>(Ehsan Kareem) Deputy Director (C&S) Room No. 251, 2nd Floor, SYKB, 051-90569075</p> |
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