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Hon. Dee-Maxwell Saah Kemayah MINISTER Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon. Kemayah:

Subject: QUERY ON "NO OBJECTION" TO AWARD CONTRACT TO 4G PRINTING SERVICES FOR PRINTING OF LESGISLATIONS USING THE SOLE SOURCE METHOD OF PROCUREMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter, seeking the Commission's approval for the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs** to use the Sole Source method of procurement to award contract to 4G Printing Service for the printing of Legislations and other items for Fiscal Year 2020/2021, stating that bidders from prior competitive process did not meet requirements.

The Commission states the below observations and findings from the MoFA's accompanying documents:

- That review findings revealed that the specifications issued by the MoFA were unclear and did not display technical descriptions of the procurement need, thus, this led to bidders not meeting the requirements;
- That the MoFA is advised to use the Restricted Bidding method, given the justifications expressed;
- That the Commission may grant a reduction in lead time for <u>at least one week</u>, for preparation and submission of bids. <u>The MoFA should ensure the participation of all registered vendors of the PPCC in this line of business;</u>
- That the MoFA must provide a more detailed and clear specifications/requirements for better understanding by participating bidders.

The Commission advises the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to <u>promptly address</u> these issues to enable subsequent review.

The Public Procurement and Concession Commission admonishes and deems it a priority that you remain primarily in compliance with the PPCA,2010, as we jointly aspire to achieve transparency, accountability, fairness, equality and ultimately public confidence in our procurement and Concession processes

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Regulating and Monitoring Compliance with the Public Procurement and Concession Act of Liberia