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October 27, 2023

Hon. Norwu G. Howard DEPUTY MINISTER Ministry of Health Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon.:

Subject: MINISTRY OF HEALTH APPROVAL (EXPANDED PROGRAM ON IMMUNIZATION (EPI) REQUEST FOR "NO OBJECTION" TO AWARD CONTRACT TO GRACELAND INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED FOR PRINTING SERVICE - FY 2023

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter which sought the approval of the Commission for the Ministry of Health to award Contract to Graceland Incorporated for Printing Service in favor of Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) for Fiscal Year 2023, in the amount of US\$147,000.00 (one hundred forty-seven thousand United States dollars) with a unit price of 0.35 cents, in accordance with Section 40 (3) of the PPCA, 2010 and Section 55(d).

The Commission, upon review of your submissions, highlights the following:

- That the Ministry of Health submitted (Hard copies) including: copy of previous approved procurement plan for printing and binding of assorted cards under the Covid-19 vaccination . exercise. The total estimated cost initially approve was US\$171,911.54 using the Restricted bidding method of procurement;
- That copy of the budget summary from the Ministry of Health for Printing and Binding in the tone of US\$171,911. 54 was submitted to the Commission;
- That copy of the Vendor Tax Clearance, Business Registration, PPCC Vendor Registration, Specification, draft Contract, Vendor price quotation and past performance were all submitted to the Commission for review.

The Commission, upon overall review of the MOH's request and justification states below:

That "No Objection" is rendered for the MOH to award Contract to Graceland International lecorporated for Printing Service for the Ministry of Health Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) in the amount of US\$147,000.00.

Please note that all contracts which cumulative annual value above the threshold of US\$250,000.00 must be signed by the Minister responsible for Finance and attested by the Minister responsible for Justice.

The Public Procurement and Concessions 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 concessions processes.

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Bodger Scott Johnson (Hon.)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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Hon. Bodger Scott Johnson CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Public Procurement and Concession Commission Capitol Hill, Monrovia

SUBJECT: Ministry of Health Response to the Commission's Queries Dated 10-17-23

Dear Hon. Johnson,

Best wishes and warm compliments from the Ministry of Health. Reference is made to the commission's queries on the MOH request for a No Objection for a contract awarded to GRACELAND Inc. for the continuation of the production and printing of the Covid-19 cards for use by the MOH Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI).

Pursuant to the Commission's communication dated 10-17-23 that queries the MOH request for a No Objection for a contract award to GRACELEND Inc, the Ministry of Health procurement team was instructed to follow up with GRACELAND and UNICEF with respect to the Commission's queries (to authenticate if the process that led to the selection of GRACELAND was competitive). The procurement team did as instructed and UNICEF has confirmed in their response that the tender process that led to the selection of GRACELAND Inc. to which an LTA was entered was competitive in keeping with UNICEF's procurement guidelines and regulations. I am sharing with you copies of exchanges of communication between the MOH procurement team and UNICEF.

In view of the preceding, we look forward to the Commission's prompt and positive response, and thanks for the collaborative efforts as we all strive to improve the health care system of Liberia.

Thanks so kindly for your usual cooperation and consideration.

Regards,

Hon. Norw G. Howard, MSN

DEPUTY MINISTER