Topic 8. Equipment registration In ITB 16.4 (b) and GCC 19.2 we notice respectively that "Because of the potential for delay in the registration process, bidders are alerted to inquire about the registration requirements and procedures as early as possible" and "The Goods should have been registered at the time of Contracting signing". Nevertheless, referring to Medical Equipment Registration law and also to the Guidelines of the Albanian MoH, the application for the registration of medical equipment must be submitted to National Agency for Drugs and Medical Equipment **not later than 15 (fifteen) working days from the clearance date at customs.** So in other words, the equipment cannot be registered at the time of contract signing since they are yet to be delivered. These requirements should be removed or adapted as per above. Nevertheless this issue has been also verbally clarified when we purchased the documents in PIU office, where the officials were informed about this discrepancy.

Answer 8.

Referring to this comment, respective provision of Section IX. Special Conditions of Contract, is amended through Amendment No.2 of Bidding Document.

On the other hand, we want to clarify that PCU/ MoH has guided all interested bidders who have purchased the bidding document, to address all issues, questions and request for clarifications they might have, to the discrepancy identified, regarding the bidding document, <u>only in writing</u>. As per the bidding document *Section I. Instructions to Bidders, Clarification of Bidding Documents pg. 10:* A Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Purchaser in writing at the Purchaser's address specified in the BDS. Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the PCU/MoH in writing only and the MoH through PIU will respond in writing only.

Topic 9. Delivery time

- With reference to Section VII "Schedule of Requirements" and more specifically from page 77 up to page 87 of the tender documentation, we have noticed **that the required delivery time is 3-4 weeks**. Moreover this topic was brought up also from other companies as per reference to your mail dated Feb 23-rd, 2017 with subject "HSIP/ICB/ 01-2016-"Medical Equipment for Regional Hospitals"- Clarification and Addendum No1.

Answer 9. Pursue to Section II. Bid Data Sheet (BDS), clause ITB 34.6, and Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria, paragraph 2.1. Evaluation Criteria (ITB 34.6), Deviation in Delivery schedule/ Delivery Schedule is not a factor of the evaluation.