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CONTRACTING AUTHORITY'S CLARIFICATIONS No. 3

Supplies for combating classical swine fever

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1	<p>Clarification n°2 (03/06/2014) and corrigendum (07/06/2014) came too late for those companies which have to finalize their offer on rush mode and send it by express courier in order to reach EU delegation in Belgrade before the closing. Particularly, if you take into account various bank holidays during this period in a country or another.</p> <p>Except the time table, no other modifications have been made. And no explanation has been given.</p> <p>You may understand the frustration created and may think to give an elementary explanation to this decision.</p> <p>On the other hand, considering the offers which has been shipped and received in Belgrade, can you precise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Were the envelopes opened or kept sealed?- Is it possible to keep the sealed envelope until the new tender opening session (03/07/2014). How do we have to proceed?- If not and for confidentiality purposes, do you intend to send back the sealed envelope?- Is there a procedure for destruction in case the sealed envelope cannot be used or sent back to the tenderer? <p>Finally, considering the new closing date and in case the tenderer has to prepare a total new set of documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Do we have to prepare new set of original document or do you accept copies for	<p>The envelopes containing offers are kept unopened by the Contracting Authority until the public opening session, no matter how long before the deadline for submission of tenders they are received. Offers are only opened during the public opening session on the date and time specified in the published Contract Notice and Instructions to Tenderers or as subsequently modified through published corrigenda.</p> <p>Please further note the provisions of Article 15 of the Instructions to Tenderers, which state:</p> <p><i>"15.1 Tenderers may alter or withdraw their tenders by written notification prior to the deadline for submission of tenders referred to in Article 10.1. No tender may be altered after this deadline. Withdrawals must be unconditional and will end all participation in the tender procedure.</i></p> <p><i>15.2 Any such notification of alteration or withdrawal must be prepared and submitted in accordance with Article 10. The outer envelope must be marked 'Alteration' or 'Withdrawal' as appropriate.</i></p> <p><i>15.3 No tender may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of tenders referred to in Article 10.1 and the expiry of the tender validity period. Withdrawal of a tender during this interval may result in forfeiture of the tender guarantee."</i></p> <p>Based on the above, you may choose to</p>

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	documents and which ones? Please explain.	submit before the current deadline for submission of tenders an alteration to your initial offer with updated documents, as you consider appropriate.

