



## United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)**

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**Title of the EOI:**

Local requirement for the provision of Body Armour Tactical Plate Carrier Vest / Requerimiento local para la provisión de Chaleco Táctico Portador de Placas Balísticas

**Date of this EOI:** 23 July 2025**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI:** 6 August 2025**EOI Number:** EOIUNVMC23773**Beneficiary Country/Territory:** Colombia**Commodity/Service category:** Staff Security & Safety**Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of:** Carolina Rueda**Fax Number:** N/A**E-mail Address:** rueda2@un.org**UNSPSC Code:**

46150000 - Law enforcement

46151500 - Crowd control equipment

46151504 - Body armour



## DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia (UNVMC) has a requirement for the provision of body-armour Tactical Plate Carrier Vest (ballistic vests and hard-plates) to serve as personal protective equipment for staff members and meet operational requirements in Colombia.

The contract for one-time provision shall include the following requirements:

- \* Body armour/ Tactical Plate Carrier Vest (modular, lightweight, and highly adjustable armour carrier designed to accommodate hard ballistic plates in the front and rear compartments); the design must support both male and female users through ergonomic adjustability, with varying sizes S-XL.
- \* Hard-ballistic plates (protection level NIJ-III) comparable, interchangeable, and used in with the body armour vests (single curve hard ballistic plates); Standalone protective inserts intended for use with the tactical plate carrier vests.
- \* Hard-ballistic plates Level III+ (Exceeds NIJ Level III commonly referred to as Level III+); Simple (Single) Curve; Standalone protective inserts (no soft armor backing required) intended for use with the tactical plate carrier vests.
- \* Modular attachable accessories/components for scaled protection with Pullover Ballistic Vests use;

The detailed Scope of Requirements (SOR) along with other bidding documents will be sent out to all bidders responding to this Request for Expression of Interest (REOI). Companies that wish to participate in the upcoming tender are requested to submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) as per below instructions, and to duly register in the United Nations Global Marketplace ([www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org)). Vendors are advised that this EOI does not constitute a solicitation. The UN reserves the right to change or cancel this requirement at any time during the EOI and/or solicitation process.

La Misión de Verificación de las Naciones Unidas en Colombia (UNVMC) tiene un requerimiento para el suministro Chaleco Táctico Portador de Placas Balísticas (chalecos balísticos y placas rígidas) que sirvan como equipo de protección personal para los miembros del personal y cumplan con los requisitos operacionales en Colombia.

El contrato para el suministro único deberá incluir los siguientes requisitos:

- \* Chaleco portaplacas táctico / chaleco antibalas (modular, liviano y altamente ajustable, diseñado para alojar placas balísticas rígidas en los compartimentos frontal y posterior); el diseño debe ser ergonómicamente ajustable para adaptarse tanto a usuarios masculinos como femeninos, con tallas que varían de S a XL.
- \* Placas balísticas rígidas (nivel de protección NIJ-III), comparables, intercambiables y compatibles con los chalecos antibalas (placas balísticas rígidas de curvatura simple); insertos de protección independientes diseñados para su uso con los chalecos portaplacas tácticos.
- \* Placas balísticas rígidas Nivel III+ (superan el Nivel III del NIJ, comúnmente conocidas como Nivel III+); curvatura simple; insertos de protección independientes (no requieren respaldo de armadura blanda) diseñados para su uso con los chalecos portaplacas tácticos.
- \* Accesorios/componentes modulares acoplables para protección escalable con el uso de chalecos balísticos tipo pullover.

El Alcance Detallado de los Requisitos (SOR), junto con otros documentos de licitación, será enviado a todos los licitantes que respondan a esta Solicitud de Expresión de Interés (REOI). Las empresas que deseen participar en la próxima licitación deben presentar su Expresión de Interés (EOI) según las instrucciones a continuación, y registrarse debidamente en el Mercado Global de las Naciones Unidas ([www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org)). Se informa a los proveedores que esta EOI no constituye una solicitud formal de propuestas. Las Naciones Unidas se reservan el derecho de modificar o cancelar este requerimiento en cualquier momento durante el proceso de EOI y/o licitación.



### SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

- 1) It is mandatory that the body armour is certified in accordance with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ)-0101.06 standard, or equivalent protection level by recognized standards.
- 2) The qualified bidder must be either manufacturer or an authorized distributor/dealer the offered product.
- 3) The manufacturer must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the design and manufacturing of body armour.
- 4) If the bidder is not the manufacturer, in addition, it must have at least five (5) years of experience in distributing Safety and Security equipment.
- 5) The manufacturer must operate within a quality management system certified as compliant with ISO-9001.
- 6) The products have a minimum factory warranty of five (5) years.

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- 2) El licitante calificado debe ser fabricante o distribuidor/dealer autorizado del producto ofrecido.
- 3) El fabricante debe tener un mínimo de cinco (5) años de experiencia en el diseño y fabricación de chalecos antibalas.
- 4) Si el licitante no es el fabricante, además, debe contar con al menos cinco (5) años de experiencia en la distribución de equipos de Seguridad y Protección.
- 5) El fabricante debe operar bajo un sistema de gestión de calidad certificado conforme a la norma ISO-9001.
- 6) Los productos deben contar con una garantía de fábrica mínima de cinco (5) años.

### NOTE

Information on tendering for the UN Procurement System is **available free of charge** at the following address: <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice>

Only the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) has been authorised to collect a nominal fee from vendors that wish to receive automatically Procurement Notices or Requests for Expression Of Interest. Vendors interested in this Tender Alert Service are invited to subscribe on <http://www.ungm.org>



***Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should submit the Vendor Response Form of this EOI electronically (through the link available on the next page) before the closing date set forth above.***



# VENDOR RESPONSE

## NOTICE

- Companies can only participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat after completing their registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace ([www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org)).
- As you express interest in the planned solicitation by submitting this response form, please verify that your company is registered under its **full legal** name on the United Nations Global Marketplace ([www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org)) and that your application has been submitted to the **UN Secretariat**.
- While companies can participate in solicitations after completion of registration at Basic Level, we strongly recommend all companies to register at least at **Level 1** under the United Nations Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.
- Companies are reminded of the restrictions of employment of former UN personnel that were involved in the procurement process during their last three years of service as per [ST/SGB/2006/15](http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2006/ST/SGB/2006/15), including (a) employing those personnel for one year after separation of service and (b) allowing those personnel to communicate with, or appear before, active UN personnel for matters related to the procurement process for two years after separation of service. Violation of the provisions of ST/SGB/2006/15 may lead to suspension of the registration of the company as a UN vendor.

**PLEASE NOTE:** You should express your interest to this EOI electronically at:

<https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/273332>

**In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact [rueda2@un.org](mailto:rueda2@un.org) directly for instructions.**



## EOI INSTRUCTIONS

### 1) Registering as a Vendor with the United Nations

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirement described above must be registered at the UN Global Marketplace ([www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org)) with the UN Secretariat in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>.

#### **Prerequisites for Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for UN registration, you must declare that:

- A. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not listed in, or associated with a company or individual listed in:
  - I. the Compendium of United Nations Security Council Sanctions Lists (<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list>), or
  - II. the IIC Oil for Food List website or, if listed on either, this has been disclosed to the United Nations Procurement Division in writing.
- B. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not currently removed or suspended by the United Nations or any other UN organisation (including the World Bank);
- C. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not under formal investigation, nor have been sanctioned within the preceding three (3) years, by any national authority of a United Nations Member State for engaging or having engaged in proscribed practices, including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice;
- D. Your company has not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against your company that could impair your company's operations in the foreseeable future;
- E. Your company does not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been a UN staff member within the last year, if said UN staff member has or had prior professional dealings with the Vendor in his/her capacity as UN staff member within the last three years of service with the UN (in accordance with UN post-employment restrictions published in ST/SGB/2006/15).
- F. Your company undertakes not to engage in proscribed practices (including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice), with the UN or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the UN.

**For Registered Vendors:** Vendors already registered at the UN Global Marketplace with the UN Secretariat must ensure that the information and documentation (e.g. financial statements, address, contact name, etc.) provided in connection with their registration are up to date in UNGM. Please verify and ensure that your company is registered under its full legal name.

**For Vendors Interested in Registration:** Vendors not yet registered should apply for registration on the United Nations Global Marketplace (<http://www.ungm.org>); information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>. Vendors must complete the registration process prior to the closing date of the REOI. Vendors who have not completed the UNGM registration process with the UN Secretariat before the closing date of the REOI are not considered eligible to participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat. We strongly recommend all companies to register at least at Level 1 under the UN Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Any false, incomplete or defective vendor registration may result in the rejection of the application or cancellation of an already existing registration.

### 2) EOI Process

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should forward their expression of interest (EOI) to United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia (UNVMC) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNVMC is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of EOIs.*

Please note that no further details of the planned solicitation can be made available to the vendors prior to issuance of the solicitation documents.

This EOI is issued subject to the conditions contained in the EOI introductory page available at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/eoi>.

