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  - Similar items to be grouped together to form several lots that shall be evaluated and awarded as separate contracts.
  - Partial bids are allowed. All Goods are grouped in lots listed below. Bidders shall have the option of submitting a proposal on any or all lots and evaluation and contract award will be undertaken on a per lot basis. Lots shall be divided further into sub-lots for the purpose of bidding, evaluation, and contract award.

- Lot I - 9mm Case and Bullet
- Lot II - 5.56mm Primer
- Lot III - 7.62mm M13 Links

Unit cost per item shall be indicated.

3. Additional Note for Statement of Ongoing Contract:

- The bidder may make a reservation under oath in a notarized document not to disclose the name of its client on the grounds of an existing confidentiality agreement but must disclose the amount, status, and name of the project for purposes of validating the NFCCE, subject to the...
full disclosure during post-qualification. In this connection, the bidder may keep the name of the client from the statement of ongoing contracts.

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5. Moreover, attached is the Revised Technical Specifications of 7.62mm M13 Links (Lot III, pages 75 and 76). Bidders are required to use the aforementioned during the bid opening.

6. Please be guided accordingly.

[Signature]

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A. MATERIAL

The links shall be made from Carbon Steel Strip, UNS No. G10500/G10550 or equivalent, Cold-Rolled Spheroidized Annealed in accordance with ASTM-A 684 (0.8128 ± 0.0381).

B. WORKMANSHIP

The links shall not exhibit poor materials and processing such as seams, laps, laminations, cracks, sharp, edges, nicks, burrs, deformations and missing operations which may affect serviceability, functioning, operation, appearance or safety.

C. VISUAL AND DIMENSIONAL

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Quality conformance examination for defects shall be based on Military Specifications Link, Cartridge, Metallic Belt, 7.62mm M13 (MIL-L-45403D).

D. PHOSPHATE COATING

The coating shall be evenly deposited, and shall have a uniform crystalline texture with a pattern not readily visible to the unaided eye and shall not produce any evidence of etching or intergranular attack of the base metal. Coatings shall be gray to black, and shall not have a mottled appearance. They shall be free of white stains (due to dried phosphating solution), rust, fingerprints, scratches and worn or bare spots. The weight of the phosphate coating shall be 11 mg minimum.

E. DIMENSIONAL PROPERTIES

Use Drawing No. GC7-14b for reference.

F. ACCELERATED CORROSION RESISTANCE

The links, when subjected to a salt spray test, shall show no evidence of corrosion in accordance to Detailed Specifications Phosphate Coating, Heavy, Manganese or Zinc Base (MIL-DTL-16232G) and Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus (ASTM B117).
G. HARDNESS

The hardness of the links shall be 70-74 HRA.

H. FUNCTION AND CASUALTY

The metallic link shall be capable of being assembled with approved GA726105 (M80A) and GA762600 (tracer) cartridges and shall function without malfunctioning, cracking, breaking or separating.

I. ASSEMBLEABILITY AND FREE HINGE

When assembled into a 200 round belt with dummy cartridges, the links shall hinge without binding, grabbing or freezing.

J. DYNAMIC REQUIREMENT

A belt consisting of 101 links and 100 dummy cartridges, shall withstand a free drop of one end of the belt. Full and partial separation of the links from the cartridges shall not be more than 10 links from the free end.

K. BELT STRENGTH

A belt consisting of six (6) links and five (5) dummy cartridges, shall be capable of withstanding a tensile load of 55 pounds (25 kg) without separation for a minimum of 30 seconds.

Signature Over Printed Name of Bidder