Mission Circular No. /2016-005 - Corrigendum

29 January 2016

TO:

All UNFICYP Personnel

FROM:

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Officer-in-Charge, Mission Support

SUBJECT:

Job Opening #1 /2016 - Consultant on Economy Issues

- Amendment of Date

1. Please find herewith, the following job opening for a Consultant:

Post Title

Office/ Section

Consultant on Economy Issues

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Cyprus

2. Eligible candidates are required to submit their completed Personal History form (P11) electronically to the email address <u>unficyp-national-applications@un.org</u> no later than <u>COB Friday</u>, 12 February 2016.



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Location: Nicosia, Cyprus

Functional Title: Consultant on Economy Issues

Supervisor: Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on

Cyprus

Languages Required : English

Starting Date:

(date when the selected candidate is expected to

start)

As soon as possible

Expected Duration of Assignment:

3 months, with possibility of extension

I. Background

Full-fledged negotiations between the Leaders of the Greek Cypriot Community and of the Turkish Cypriot Community have been ongoing since September 2008, under the Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General in Cyprus (OSASG) (also known as the Good Offices Mission). The aim of the full-fledged negotiations is to find a mutually acceptable solution to the Cyprus problem, which will safeguard the fundamental and legitimate rights and interests of Greek Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots. The agreed solution will be put to separate simultaneous referendum.

The role of the OSASG is to support the Secretary-General's Special Advisor (SASG) in Cyprus, whose mandate is to assist the parties in the conduct of negotiations aimed at reaching a comprehensive settlement.

Following the resumption of the talks in May 2015, meetings have increased in frequency and intensity, with the sides engaged in an interdependent discussion of all topics. Particular attention is being given at this time to economic aspects of a settlement. Additionally, the leaders have requested the SASG to seek technical assistance to the sides from international financial institutions and other relevant actors.

In this regard, consultants will provide the OSASG with high level expertise on specific issues based on best practices in such a way that is impossible to be achieved through OSASG's own human resources. This high level expertise is required only on Ad-Hoc basis and as required connected to the on-going negotiations.

II. Scope of work

The assignment would cover the following themes:

- Provide technical expertise and advise the SASG on economic matters relevant to the negotiations.
- Provide advice to the OSASG team and produce in-depth analysis in the areas below.
- Coordinate work with international financial institutions in support of the negotiations and brief and advise the SASG and OSASG on progress.

III. Duties and Responsibilities

The consultant will conduct work on the following issues:

Economic Matters

- Maintain dialogue with economy experts on both sides and inform SASG and good offices
 (GO) staff of developments.
- Facilitate meetings of economy experts and also of meetings of economy experts from each side with representatives from international financial institutions, including note-taking and record-keeping if needed.
- · Attend negotiators' meetings on economic matters, as appropriate.
- · Be present and on hand during meetings of leaders on economy matters, as appropriate.

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- Advise the SASG on preparations for, and the implementation of, a settlement with a view to macroeconomic and financial-sector stability.
- Provide strategic advice on methods of financing a settlement.
- Follow the issue of energy both in the region and specifically around the island of Cyprus,
 and engage with relevant interlocutors as required to keep abreast of developments.

Attendance at meetings

- · Be present at the OSASG and on-call during SASG's visits to the island.
- · Attend SASG meetings with facilitators.
- · Attend SASG meetings with OSASG staff.
- Attend any other meetings when requested by OSASG staff and approved by the Coordinator.

Other tasks

 Where mutually agreed by the consultant and the OSASG Coordinator, assume other tasks as requested.

IV. Expected Deliverables/Outputs

• Internal mission report with recommendations.

V. Skills and Qualifications of International Consultant

- · An advanced degree in law, political science, economy, or other relevant fields;
- At least 15 years' experience as an economist, with demonstrable experience in detailed economic analysis and forecasting;
- Demonstrable experience of working within politically sensitive environments, exhibiting a high level of diplomatic discretion when dealing with national authorities;
- Knowledge of political, economic and social developments trends in Cyprus an asset;
- Strong writing skills and an ability to explain economic themes to a layperson in plain language;
- Past experience with eurozone economies under financial assistance programes and liaison with relevant institutions preferred;
- · Fluency in spoken and written English.

Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.