



Republic of the Philippines
NATIONAL PRIVACY COMMISSION

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
BAC Resolution No. 123-2021, Series of 2021

**RECOMMENDING THE AWARD FOR THE PROCUREMENT
OF TECHNICAL CONSULTANT - WRITER**

WHEREAS, the National Privacy Commission (NPC), is an independent body mandated to administer and implement Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10173 or the "Data Privacy Act of 2012" and to monitor and ensure compliance of the country with international standards set for data protection;

WHEREAS, there is a need to hire a Technical Consultant who is knowledgeable in the nuances of editing pieces for the business community and the general public and who can facilitate the publication of consistently informative and concise articles in the DPO Journal, the NPC's monthly publication which serves as a repository for much-needed sector-specific articles and related information on data privacy for the education of all the stakeholders of the NPC, as well as those in the global privacy community;

WHEREAS, the Technical Consultant Writer for the Office of the Privacy Commissioner shall undertake the functions indicated in the Terms of Reference;

WHEREAS, said procurement is reflected and has been approved in the Commission's FY 2021 Annual Procurement Plan (APP) under APP Item Number 2021-0108 with an Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) amounting to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand and 0/100 Pesos (Php250,000.00);

WHEREAS, the procurement is hinged on Sec. 53.7 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 9184 (R.A. 9184), otherwise known as Government Procurement Reform Act, providing for the engagement of individual consultants for no more than six (6) months to do work that is highly technical or proprietary;

WHEREAS, the NPC Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) Secretariat sent a Request for Quotation (RFQ) to *Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento, Jr.* on 03 November 2021;

WHEREAS, after evaluation of the qualifications and documentary submissions of *Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento, Jr.*, the NPC-BAC determined that he fully qualifies as a Highly Technical Consultant to perform the functions as required under the Terms of Reference;

WHEREAS, payment shall be made monthly in the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) for a contract period of four (4) months;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, **WE**, the members of the NPC-BAC, hereby **RESOLVE**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED** to recommend the award of contract for

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the engagement of a Highly Technical Consultant - Writer for the Office of the Privacy Commissioner in the total amount of **Two Hundred Thousand and 0/100 Pesos (Php200,000.00)** for a contract period of four (4) months to **MR. JUAN V. SARMIENTO, JR.**, subject to the submission of original or certified true copies of the documentary requirements upon signing of the Notice of Award (NOA).

RESOLVED this 12th day of November 2021, through videoconference meeting.

ATTEST:

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ERWIN D. ESPENILLA
Executive Assistant IV, OPC
BAC Member

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Narag Aurelle
Dominic Espita
ATTY. AURELLE DOMINIC E. NARAG
Executive Assistant IV, OPC
BAC Member


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Rudolph Yandan
JONATHAN RUDOLPH Y. RAGSAG
OIC-Chief, DSTSD
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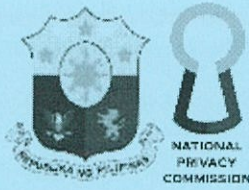
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Director IV, LEO
BAC Chairperson

Approved:


RAYMUND ENRIQUEZ LIBORO
Privacy Commissioner
Head of the Procuring Entity
Date: 17 NOV 2021

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NOTICE OF AWARD

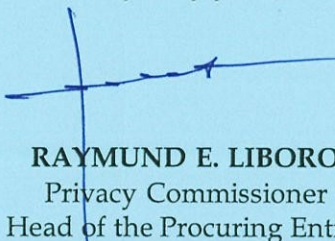
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Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento, Jr.
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Dear **Mr. Sarmiento:**

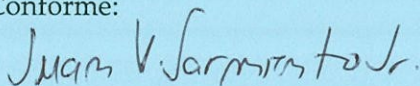
Please be advised that upon the recommendation of the NPC Bids and Awards Committee, per BAC Resolution No. 123-2021 series of 2021, the contract for the engagement of a Technical Consultant - Writer with contract amount of **TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 0/100 (Php200,000.00)**, VAT inclusive, **for a contract period of four (4) months**, is hereby awarded to you, consistent with Republic Act No. 9184 and its 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations, subject to the submission of original or certified true copies of the documentary requirements upon signing of the Notice of Award (NOA).

Very truly yours,


RAYMUND E. LIBORO
Privacy Commissioner
Head of the Procuring Entity

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Conforme:



Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento, Jr.

Date: 11/17/21

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CONSULTANCY CONTRACT

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This AGREEMENT made and entered into this 24 November 2021 by and between:

National Privacy Commission, a national government agency created by virtue of Republic Act No. 10173 or the "Data Privacy Act of 2012", with office address at the 5th Floor, Philippine International Convention Center, Vicente Sotto Street, Pasay City, Metro Manila, represented by its Privacy Commissioner RAYMUND ENRIQUEZ LIBORO, hereinafter referred to as "*NPC*",

and

Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento, Jr., Filipino, of legal age, residing at [REDACTED] and hereinafter referred to as the "*Consultant*".

WHEREAS, NPC and the Consultant shall hereafter be referred to collectively as the Parties;

WHEREAS, NPC needs a Technical Consultant Writer to perform the functions detailed below;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Privacy Commissioner as end-unit has justified to the Bids and Awards Committee the engagement of such Technical Consultant Writer (Highly Technical Consultant) as per existing laws and regulations;

WHEREAS, the Consultant, representing himself to have the requisite governmental permits, licenses, and the necessary expertise, experience, and resources, has proposed to undertake all that which is necessary for completing the services;

WHEREAS, NPC, subject to the terms, conditions, and specifications hereinafter contained, has accepted the Consultant's offer;

WHEREAS, on 21 October 2021 the NPC Accountant issued Certificate of Availability of Funds (CAF) amounting Php250,000.00. A copy of the CAF is hereto attached as ANNEX "A" and made an integral part of this Agreement.

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WHEREAS, on 12 November 2021, the Head of the Procuring Entity approved the NPC-BAC Resolution No. 123-2021, Series of 2021, recommending the Award of Contract for Technical Consultant Writer to Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.;

WHEREAS, on 17 November 2021, the Head of the Procuring Entity issued the Notice of Award to Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the mutual covenants and conditions herein contained and other good and valuable considerations, the parties hereto mutually agree as follows:

1. Services The Consultant shall perform and provide all that is necessary to carry out the services necessary to complete the same. The details of the services, scope of work, duties and responsibilities, among others, appear in the attached Terms of Reference, herein attached as Annex "B", which forms an integral part hereof.

2. Term The term of the contract shall commence from receipt of Notice to Proceed until 20 March 2022 unless the same is terminated by either party after written notice thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination or immediately upon proof of violations prescribed under Annex "I" of Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184 otherwise known as "The Government Procurement Reform Act" (IRR of R.A. No. 9184.)

In no instance shall the term of the contract be extended without undergoing the necessary procurement process as prescribed by R.A. No. 9184.

3. Payment A. Consultant's Fee

As consideration for the full and faithful performance by the Consultant of his obligations under this Agreement and the completion of the services in accordance with the terms and conditions herein set forth, NPC shall pay the Consultant a total amount of Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php200,000.00) inclusive of all applicable taxes, duties, fees, levies and other charges imposed under applicable laws.

The contract price shall constitute the entire remuneration payable to the Consultant. It shall be deemed inclusive of all applicable national and local taxes, fees and charges,

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and any other taxes that may arise on account hereof.

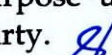
B. Payment of Services

Payment shall be made in Philippine Pesos in equal monthly payments amounting Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00), upon submission of the following documents:


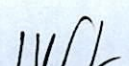
- i. Monthly Accomplishment Report; and
- ii. Acceptance of Output.

All payments will be subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

- 4. Project Administration** NPC designates Vandelft R. Idanan, as the Representative responsible for the coordination of activities under the contract. The Head of the Executive Assistant, Office of the Privacy Commissioner shall be responsible for acceptance of the deliverables/Accomplishment Report submitted by the Consultant prior to payment.
- 5. Performance Standard** The Consultant undertakes to perform the services detailed in Annex "B" herein, with the highest standards of professional and ethical competence and integrity.
- 6. Confidentiality** The Consultant shall not, during the term of this Contract, and after its expiration, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the services, this Contract or NPC's business or operations without the prior written consent of the latter.
- 7. Non-Disclosure** All non-public confidential or proprietary information relating to NPC, whether written or oral, whether or not communicated as confidential information by NPC to the Consultant, which the Consultant may have access to in the course of the consultancy contract, shall not be disclosed to any person even after the termination of the Contract.

The Consultant shall sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement and shall form part of this contract.¹
- 8. Amendments** No modifications, amendments, or supplements to this Contract shall be effective for any purpose unless the same is in writing and signed by each party. 

¹ Non- disclosure Agreement dated 24 November 2021

9. Suspension of Contract

NPC may, by written notice of suspension to the consultant, suspend all payments to the consultant if the consultant fails to perform any of its obligations due to its own fault or due to force majeure or other circumstances beyond the control of either party, provided that such notice of suspension: a) Shall specify the nature of the failure; and b) Shall request the Consultant to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultant of such notice of suspension.

The Procuring Entity can order the resumption of work if the grounds for work suspension no longer exist and the continuation of the work is practicable.

10. Termination of Contract

NPC, by written notice sent to the Consultant, may terminate the contract, in whole or in part in accordance with Annex "I" of IRR of RA No. 9184.

The notice of termination shall specify the cause of termination in accordance with Annex "I" of IRR of RA No. 9184, the extent to which performance of the contractor under the contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

NPC may also terminate the contract in case it is determined prima facie that the Consultant has engaged, before or during the implementation of the contract, in unlawful deeds and behaviors relative to contract acquisition and implementation.

NPC may also terminate a contract for default when any of the following conditions attend its implementation: a) Outside of force majeure, the Consultant fails to deliver or perform the Outputs and Deliverables within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the NPC pursuant to a request made by the Consultant prior to the delay; b) As a result of force majeure, the Consultant is unable to deliver or perform a material portion of the Outputs and Deliverables for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days after the Consultant's receipt of the notice from NPC stating that the circumstance of force majeure is deemed to have ceased; or c) The Consultant fails to perform any other obligation under the contract.

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The Consultant may terminate its agreement with NPC if the latter is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to the contract and has not remedied the same within sixty (60) calendar days following its receipt of the Consultant's notice specifying such breach.

Termination of contract encompasses all causes and grounds provided under RA No. 9184.

12. Relationship

This Contract neither constitutes a partnership agreement nor creates an employer-employee relationship, joint venture, or agency relationship between parties. It is specifically understood that the Consultant is an independent contractor and shall not be considered as an employee of NPC.

13. Dispute Resolution

In the event of any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arising out of or relating to this Contract, both parties shall exercise their best efforts to resolve the dispute or difference by mutual consultation as soon as possible. In case best efforts fail, the dispute or difference shall be submitted to alternative dispute resolution, including arbitration in accordance with the rules provided in Republic Act No. 9285 or the Alternative Dispute Resolution Law.

If any party contends that a claim cannot be submitted to alternative dispute resolution, that party shall be limited to filing a lawsuit in the appropriate courts in Pasay City, Philippines, to the exclusion of all courts.

14. Ownership of Material

All articles, plans, studies, reports or other materials prepared by the Consultant for NPC under the Contract shall exclusively belong to and remain the property of NPC.

15. Consultant Not to be Engaged in Certain Activities

The Consultant agrees that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultant and any entity/individual affiliated with the Consultant, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works or services (other than the services or any continuation thereof) for any project resulting from or closely related to the herein services provided to NPC.

16. Insurance

The Consultant will be responsible for taking out any appropriate insurance coverage.

17. Assignment

The Consultant shall not assign this Contract or

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subcontract any portion of it.

18. Law Governing Contract and Language

The Contract shall be governed by the laws of the Government of the Philippines, and the language of the Contract shall be English.

19. Other Provisions

The terms and conditions contained in the Annexes and all relevant procurement documents shall form an integral part of this Contract. In the event of conflict between the terms of this Contract and all relevant Annexes, the terms of this Contract shall prevail.

NATIONAL PRIVACY COMMISSION:



RAYMUND ENRIQUEZ LIBORO
Privacy Commissioner

Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.

JUAN V. SARMIENTO JR.
Consultant

Jensen Joy L. Ballicud

JENSEN JOY L. BALLICUD
Accountant II

Signed in the presence of:

Vandelft R. Idanan

VANDELFT R. IDANAN
Head Executive Assistant

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Republic of the Philippines)
City of **MANILA CITY**) S.S.

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public for and in the above jurisdiction, personally appeared the following:

NAME	COMM. TAX CERT. NO. and Copy of any of the following ID: SSS ID/POSTAL ID/VOTER'S ID/ PROFESSIONAL LICENSE/ PASSPORT	DATE/PLACE ISSUED
RAYMUND ENRIQUEZ LIBORO	[REDACTED]	
JUAN V. SARMIENTO JR.		

Known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that the same are their own free will and voluntary act and deed.

This instrument consists of seven (7) pages including this page wherein this Acknowledgement is written, and is signed by the parties' instrumental witnesses on each and every page hereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, this _____ day of _____, 2021 at Pasay City, Philippines

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ATTY. HENRY D. ADASA
NOTARY PUBLIC CITY OF MANILA
UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2021
NOTARIAL COMMISSION 2020-097 MLA
IBP NO. 143253 - 01/04/2021, PASIG
PTR NO. 932248 - 01/03/2021 MLA
ROLI NO. 70679, TIN: 292-528-620



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NOTICE TO PROCEED

Date Issued: 24 NOV 2021

Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.
Consultant




Dear Mr. Sarmiento:

Notice is hereby given to **Mr. Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.** for the commencement of the procurement for the **Technical Consultant Writer** for the National Privacy Commission at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in accordance with the terms of and conditions of the attached Contract.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this notice by signing both the copies in the space provided below. Keep one (1) copy and return the other to the NPC within three (3) days upon receipt of this notice.

Very truly yours,


RAYMUNDE E. LIBORO
Privacy Commissioner

24 NOV 2021

I acknowledge receipt of this notice on _____
Name of the authorized representative of the Bidder JUAN V. SARMIENTO JR.
Signature of the authorized representative Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.

Ref No.: ADMIN-21-00915

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