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May 21, 2024

Brig. Gen. Geraldine J. George (Rtd)

MINISTER

Ministry of National Defense

UN Drive BTC

Monrovia, Liberia

Dear Hon. George:

Subj: **REQUEST FOR NO OBJECTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO PALM RICE TRADING FOR THE SUPPLY OF RICE (DRY RATION) UNDER THE MINISTRY'S SPECIAL PROJECT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

We present our compliments and wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication which sought the approval of the Commission for the Ministry of National Defense request to award contract to Palm Rice Trading for the supply of **12,810 bags** of long grain milled Rice (Dry Ration) in 25kg (5% broken) at an estimated cost of **US\$ 256,200.00 (Two Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred United States Dollars)** for Fiscal Year 2024.

The Commission upon thorough review of your request highlights the following issues:

- ❖ That the Ministry employed the use of Restricted Bidding method to solicit bids from eligible bidders. To this end, three vendors (**Palm Rice Trading, Doramart Trade Limited and Fouani Brothers Corp**) were invited under **Section 51 (2)** of the PPCA. It is important to state that out of these three vendors, Fouani Brothers Corp did not submit.
- ❖ Also, it was further observed that **Doramart Trade Limited** did not pass the predetermined preliminary criteria outlined in the issued bidding document, leaving Palm Rice Trading as the only company who satisfied all of the requirements stipulated in the bidding document.

From the above points mentioned, the Commission **hereby grants** the Entity's request to award contract to **Palm Rice Trading** for the supply of **12,810 bags** of long grain milled Rice (Dry Ration) in 25kg (5% broken) at an estimated cost of **US\$ 256,200.00 (Two Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred United States Dollars)** for Fiscal Year 2024.

The Public Procurement and Concessions Commission admonishes and deems it a priority that you remain in compliance with the PPCA, 2010, as we jointly aspire to achieve transparency, accountability, fairness, equality and ultimately public confidence in our procurement and concessions processes.

Sincerely yours,

Bodgey Scott Johnson (Fion),
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER