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AGENCY SUPERVISORY BOARD

IDENTIFICATION OF NATIONAL PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) SOURCES

Note by the Chairperson

- REFERENCES:
- A. [AC/338-D\(2020\)0049](#), 20 March 2020 & [AS1](#), 27 March 2020
 - B. [AC/338-D\(2020\)0049-REV1](#), 29 May & [AS1](#), 24 June 2020
 - C. [AC/338-D\(2020\)0049-REV2](#), 24 June 2020 & [AS1](#), 30 June 2020
 - D. G/2020/516, 15 July 2020 (enclosed)

1. At Reference A, the Board approved the General Manager's request for a blanket authorisation, ending 30 June 2020, for the supply of materiel originating from the People's Republic of China (PRC) in support of requests related to COVID-19 containment efforts.
2. At Reference B, the General Manager sought the ASB's agreement to extend the current authorisation to 31 December 2020, but the United States was unable to approve the document and broke silence, indicating they could agree to an extension until 30 September 2020 in order to give Allies and NSPA time to find alternative suppliers. This proposal was approved by the Board at Reference C.
3. In light of the above, the Agency has initiated negotiations with those companies that have been awarded outline agreements for the procurement of Personal Protective Equipment, with the aim of identifying new sources of supply outside PRC to cope with future requirements.
4. With the letter at Reference D, the Agency is seeking to invite Nations to identify their national manufacturers of PPE products (as listed at Annex) in order to support Nations' requirements by competing and awarding future contracts with firms located within NATO Nations.

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5. ASB Representatives are invited to provide their contributions no later than **10 August 2020, 17:00**, using the following e-mail address: COVID19Supply@nspa.nato.int.
6. Representatives of the NSPO Subordinate Committees are invited to provide inputs to their respective ASB representatives.



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1 Enclosure

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