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Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2012-39500

Segments: AQM011 and AQM012

Mr. Sean A. Dunagan  
Judicial Watch  
425 Third Street SW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20024

Dear Mr. Dunagan:

I refer to our letter dated January 17, 2014, regarding the release of certain Department of State records under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

We have identified 52 additional documents that are responsive to your request. Of these 52 documents, we have determined that 7 may be released in full, 43 may be released with excisions pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7)(A), (b)(7)(C), and (b)(7)(E), and 2 must be denied in full pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(6), (b)(7)(A), and (b)(7)(C). Where we have made excisions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. An enclosure explains Freedom of Information Act exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. All released material is enclosed.

Review of records from the Bureau of Administration's Office of Acquisitions Management and the Bureau of Diplomatic Security is ongoing. We will keep you informed as your case progresses.

If you have any questions, you may contact Galen Thorp, Trial Attorney, at (202) 514-4781. Please be sure to refer to the case number, F-2012-39500, and the civil action number, 13-243, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

*Sheryl L. Walter /sw*

Sheryl L. Walter, Director  
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures:  
As stated.

**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 4:18 PM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M; Nordstrom, Eric A; Maniece, William W  
**Cc:** Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Subject:** Re: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Bill,  
Can you shed some light on which function code you funded the Benghazi contract?  
Thanks,  
Dave

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**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 03:40 PM  
**To:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Crowningshield, Teresa R  
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**From:** Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2012 2:27 PM  
**To:** Crowningshield, Teresa R; Floyd, Norman C  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian  
**Subject:** RE: removal of LGFC

Rene,  
Thanks for the update, it's good to hear that BMG continues to be responsive. Take care and stay safe.  
Dave

**From:** Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2012 7:48 AM  
**To:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian  
**Subject:** RE: removal of LGFC

Norm,

Yes, I am fairly familiar with the firing/hiring process for contract employees (thanks for checking), and understand that I can only withhold/revoke the contract employee security certification. Meaning, the employee can work for the company, but he can't work here.

In this case the decision to remove  from this contract was made by BMG.

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Dave and Neil,

Additionally, I have found in my short time, the BMG leadership to be responsive. They are working hard to improve the guard services. Training seems to be going relatively well. BMG will conduct training for one more week - to meet the mandated number of hours.

v/r  
Rene

**From:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2012 1:17 PM  
**To:** Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian  
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Thanks Rene,

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As you are aware, we do not tell the contractors to fire their employees, we only remove them from our contracts. I know BMG is aware of the sense of urgency in getting a replacement for him because it can cause them significant monetary loss through deducts, plus past performance ratings.

Let me know if you need anything, we will get you the paperwork for review soon.

Cheers,

Norm

## Norman Floyd

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**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2012 3:16 AM

**To:** Floyd, Norman C

**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian

**Subject:** RE: removal of LGFC

Norm,

BMG had eight interviews yesterday and they are making an effort to fill the vacancy. It is my understanding that Mr.

[REDACTED] has been a long time employee with BMG and has performed well. He has been moved from our contract to another within BMG.

Rene

**From:** Floyd, Norman C

**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 9:14 PM

**To:** Crowningshield, Teresa R

**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian

**Subject:** RE: removal of LGFC

Thanks Rene,

We will get you a draft of the COR letter soon.

Cheers,

Norm

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2012 4:01 PM  
**To:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian  
**Subject:** RE: removal of LGFC

Norm,

LGFC Name: [REDACTED]

Date/Time: 04/18/2012 – app 1135 (left the compound) 1200 (notified by [REDACTED] not to return)

At 1130 hours, a verbal altercation occurred between the Libyan February 17<sup>th</sup> Martyrs Brigade team member and Mr. [REDACTED]. The team member then notified the brigade team leader of the incident, who then went to the gate to speak with [REDACTED]. At that time, a second verbal altercation occurred between the three and [REDACTED] left the compound. The team leader then came to the RSO office and reported the incident.

The team leader stated that [REDACTED] made an inappropriate comment with reference to Gaddafi. Then when the team leader came to speak with [REDACTED] he made derogatory comments regarding the team leader's mother. As the situation escalated to the point of a likely physical confrontation [REDACTED] left the compound.

Upon learning of the incident, I telephone [REDACTED] (Project Manager) and asked that [REDACTED] not return to the compound until we had the opportunity to investigate and further discuss the incident. [REDACTED] immediately came to the compound, and based on his conversation with [REDACTED] recommended that [REDACTED] not return to this job site.

I have not spoken directly to [REDACTED] as he left before I was aware of the incident.

In sum, the decision to remove [REDACTED] from this site was made by [REDACTED] and in light of the sensitivities involved, I concur with this decision.

BMG has five interviews scheduled for tomorrow.

Please let me know if you need additional details or statements.

v/r  
 Rene

**From:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2012 8:08 PM  
**To:** Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian  
**Subject:** removal of LGFC

Rene,

We received the information from Brian regarding the removal of the LGFC in Benghazi. We need some more information from you so a formal COR letter can be issued to Blue Mountain regarding the removal. Once we have that information, I will send you a draft of the COR letter for review. If you approve the language, you can just let us know

and we will get the letter issued to Blue Mountain. If you have any changes, please make the changes using track changes or highlighted and send us back your changes.

The following information is needed for the letter: The GFC's full name, date and time of removal, short explanation of the incident or incidents that caused you to remove him. Did you notify the Blue Mountain Project Manager?

Also just to let you know, Blue Mountain has to submit a nomination package to you for your review and recommendation to approve or not approve and they also have to submit it to the CO for approval to be added to the contract via modification. The new GFC cannot stand post until approved by you and the CO. I understand from Brian that one of the supervisors is temporarily filling the position on the Exhibit A. BMG will be able to bill at the supervisory rate for that person, not at the GFC rate, until the position is filled with a qualified and approved person. That does not relieve them of their contract obligation to fill the Key Personnel position as quickly as possible and does not relieve them from applicable deductions for lack of Key personnel.

So to make a long story short, please forward me the requested information as soon as possible so we can formally notify BMG by letter.

Thanks and stay safe, let me know if you need anything else.

Regards,

Norm

**Norman Floyd**

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2012 7:03 AM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** RE: draft COR letter removing the LGFC in Benghazi

Neil,

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No this has not been sent because we currently have no COR designated. Dave should be back in the office on Monday and I will discuss with him. I am also waiting on some more info from the RSO regarding the GFC and filling the Exhibit A position since this date.

I will update you when I have more solid information. I know we need it before the April invoice comes in.

Norm

**Norman Floyd**

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**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2012 4:42 PM  
**To:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Subject:** RE: draft COR letter removing the LGFC in Benghazi

Hey Norm,

Just catching up on a few issues – was this deduct letter sent? Also, any word if the new GFC has been found?

Thanks,

Neil

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**From:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 3:48 PM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** RE: draft COR letter removing the LGFC in Benghazi

I will confirm with the RSO, here is the draft deduct letter for the remainder of the shift for review.

**Norman Floyd**

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**To:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Subject:** RE: draft COR letter removing the LGFC in Benghazi

Norm, this looks good to me. Also, good call on the unmanned post deduct. I'm assuming the temp GFC didn't begin working until the following shift?

Thanks,

Neil

**From:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 3:26 PM  
**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** draft COR letter removing the LGFC in Benghazi

Please review for content and let me know if anything else is needed. We can change for COR to CO if needed.

Norm

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**From:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 21, 2012 12:28 PM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Cc:** Ibarra, George; White, Frank E; Ayoubi, Haroon; Keshap, Karen; Rankin, Miki; Floyd, Norman C; Sparrowgrove, David J; Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Neil,

We don't have an FMO at post. Actually, FMC Charleston is handling a great deal of all of our payments.

Frank,

Are we handling contract payments for the Benghazi LGF contract in Tripoli or via Charleston?

Eric A. Nordstrom

Regional Security Officer

U.S. Embassy

Tripoli, Libya

091-220-3094

<http://libya.usembassy.gov/>

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**Subject:** FW: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

And I should have caveated my first email with I'm assuming that invoice payment will be handled out of Tripoli and not Benghazi but please correct me if I'm mistaken.

Thanks,

Neil

**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 3:40 PM  
**To:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Crowningshield, Teresa R  
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**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 3:37 PM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Thanks Neil,

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Do you have any chain of email for this contract to show who is suppose to fund this, or which allotment and function should be used.

Thanks, Haroon

**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 3:25 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Hi Haroon,

As requested.

Thanks,

Neil

**From:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 10:10 AM  
**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Byrnes, Morgan  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Neil,

Please provide me a little bit detail information about this invoice.

Thanks, Haroon

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**Cc:** Maniece, William W  
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Haroon, the funding for the contract is under 5822.

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Dave

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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2012 10:08 AM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Byrnes, Morgan; Mercadante, Darcy M; Desjardins, Huma; Lawrence, Vickie R; Keshap, Karen; Klingenmaier, Patricia; Maniece, William W; TRIPOLI FMO; Alapan, Joseph L (Manila); Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment  
**Attachments:** 14502C0092.pdf

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Hello Neil,

Obligation created for the amount of \$627,899.00. This is the available amount right now. Print out of RFMS attached to the contract and funds availability signed by PSU certifying officer.

Please send the approved bill/invoice along with complete banking information of vendor to Joe at [alapanjl@state.gov](mailto:alapanjl@state.gov) for further process and payment.

Thanks, Haroon

**From:** Maniece, William W  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2012 9:05 AM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon; Kern, Neil M; Klingenmaier, Patricia  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Steuart, Lindsay; Byrnes, Morgan; Mercadante, Darcy M; Desjardins, Huma; Lawrence, Vickie R; Keshap, Karen  
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Haroon, basically you would utilize the "funds availability" clause to obligate the amount that is available, that is FC 5822 funding has been provided to pay each monthly invoice thru the use of existing FC 5822 funding, not fully fund immediately. If during the year- end data call in July it is determined that additional funding is required to support the contract DS will make the appropriate adjustment to fully fund the contract requirements.

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**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Steuart, Lindsay; Byrnes, Morgan; Mercadante, Darcy M; Desjardins, Huma; Lawrence, Vickie R; Keshap, Karen  
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Good morning Neil and Patricia,

There is not enough money available under function code 5822 to obligate the full amount of contract (GBP494,252.70 equal to USD796,796.23). The available amount is \$627,899.00. Also, I did not find the billing office on this contract. Is the monthly invoices/payments are going to be processed by Claim Office or you want us (PSU) to process it.

Thanks, Haroon

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**From:** Klingenmaier, Patricia  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 4:05 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon

**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** FW: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

Haroon, I checked with our contracts expert, Larry Pruitt; the FC is 5822 (SOC: 2554).

**From:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 3:46 PM  
**To:** Klingenmaier, Patricia  
**Subject:** FW: Benghazi Funding and Invoice Payment

FYI

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Haroon, does this help you?

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**From:** Maniece, William W  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2012 8:47 AM  
**To:** Klingenmaier, Patricia  
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Yes, and the payments provided based on receipt of monthly invoices

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**Importance:** High

William, would Haroon not use the "funds availability" clause to obligate the amount that is available?

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Crowningshield, Teresa R  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 29, 2012 8:27 AM  
**To:** Floyd, Norman C  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Kern, Neil M; Papanu, Brian; Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** BMG PM  
**Attachments:** [redacted] CV.pdf

FYI--- [redacted] has left Benghazi and [redacted] has moved into the PM position. The BMG plan is that [redacted] will work eight weeks and then be relieved by [redacted] (resume attached). Every eight weeks [redacted] and [redacted] will exchange places. So we will always have coverage by [redacted] and [redacted] is currently in Tripoli, and [redacted] said BMG is willing to send [redacted] to Benghazi for a fam visit and interview. [redacted] will arrive o/a Thursday and I will discuss this with him.

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Norm

**Norman Floyd**

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Additionally, new LGFC is working day-shift today. We are in a trial phase, to determine if he is suitable, for this position. He is energetic and presents himself in a professional manner. English is adequate, but not extraordinary. I will keep you posted.

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Rene,

Thanks for the update and quick response. Have a good weekend.

Norm

**Norman Floyd**

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**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2012 1:30 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Cc:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Invoice Payment  
**Attachments:** Payment Instruction Form.pdf

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Haroon,

Attached is a Payment Instruction Form that we send to new vendor. They need to fill-in all the required fields for their banking information. Once we received the banking info we can go ahead and create a vendor code in RFMS.

Thanks,  
Joseph

**From:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
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**To:** Alapan, Joseph L  
**Cc:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** FW: Benghazi Invoice Payment

Joe,

We will process a payment to a security company, this will be the first payment and I think they are in UK. What information in regards to banking info do you need?

Thanks, Haroon

**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2012 1:06 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Invoice Payment

Haroon, I don't believe so. What all will you require?

Thanks,

Neil

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**From:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2012 12:40 PM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Invoice Payment

Hi Neil,

I am going to look at them. Do you know if the banking information is provided in any of the attached sheets?

Thanks Haroon

**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2012 12:30 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Subject:** Benghazi Invoice Payment

Good day Haroon,

Attached is an invoice from the Benghazi vendor as well as a review of the invoice by the COR. Will your office be responsible for paying this and so, what else will you require to process?

Thanks,

Neil M. Kern (Contractor)  
U.S. Department of State  
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Federal Acquisition Resources, Inc.  
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**PAYMENT INSTRUCTION FORM (PIF) (استمارة تعليمات التسديد)**

*Input requirements can be viewed by placing the cursor over the input field*  
 (المتطلبات المدخلة ويمكن النقر على الحقول المطلوبة من خلال وضع المؤشر على الحقول المطلوبة)

Contract#

**Recipient Information (معلومات المستفيد)**

Payee Name (اسم المفعول لامره)

Account Name (اسم الحساب)

Payee Address (عنوان المفعول لامره)

Telephone Number

**Bank Information (معلومات البنك)**

Account Type (نوع الحساب)

IBAN / Account# (رقم حساب البنك العالمي)

Bank SWIFT Code (رمز البنك)

Bank Name (اسم البنك)

Bank Address (عنوان البنك)

**Intermediary / Correspondent Bank Information (معلومات البنك الوسيط)**

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Bank Name (اسم البنك)

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Additional Info (معلومات اضافية)

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT FOR PAYMENT RELEASE.

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**Cc:** Bacigalupo, James P; Drobot, Mark D; Papanu, Brian; Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** RE: BMG LGF - Benghazi

Rene,

It was nice to talk with you this morning. Just to summarize things; I know the recruitment and hiring of experienced security staff is difficult there, but we just want to ensure BMG is providing you with a quality person in the GFC position. Our intent was to have the GFC be the RSO's right hand man, someone who could operate without RSO direction and could coordinate drills, training and conduct limited liaison with the police/TNC. It's a small guard force so taking on additional duties should not overwhelm a qualified GFC. If you think your current GFC has potential, then carry on. However, if this guy isn't able to step up and you don't think BMG is providing you with a quality GFC, we can put some pressure on them from Washington to provide a better candidate and preserve your working relationship on the ground.

Take care and keep in touch.  
Dave

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Dave,

The new LGFC certainly has the willingness and seems eager to learn. Were you thinking along the lines of instruction - training the guards, conducting drills and exercises without direct RSO supervision? We are probably not quite there yet, but I do believe it is possible. We are still crawling at this point, but at least we seem to be moving forward.

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**Subject:** RE: BMG LGF - Benghazi

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Thanks again,  
Dave

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David, Neil and Norm,

I wanted to provide a quick summary of Benghazi LGF progress over the past three weeks.

Current staffing:

1 PM (there are two PMs and they will alternate every eight weeks)

1 LGFC

4 shift supervisors

16 guards

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*10 available alternates- that have received some blocks of instruction.*

Equipment:

Guards are wearing uniforms/boots and duty belts, flashlights, etc. We are still waiting on the radios to arrive.

Training:

80 hours – the majority of the guards have now successfully completed the 80 hours of mandated training.

Vehicle/pedestrian screening procedures are very good. Our training initiatives have shifted to “on the job” and we have begun conducting internal defense drills. We have been focusing on radio communication and coordinating movement. We cannot activate the duck and cover for testing/drills until we have an SEO on site to reset the alarm, but we are instructing gate guards to initiate attack scenarios, via the radio. Overall, the training is going well and there is notable improvement with each exercise.

Clearance/Vetting:

All names have been submitted to *RSO Records Checks*. Thus far, the ones returned have had “no derogatory” findings. We are working with RSO Tripoli to support a FSNI visit for personal interviews.

Issues:

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Please let me know if you have any questions---

Warm regards,  
Rene

**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 22, 2012 3:44 PM  
**To:** Robertson, Steven P  
**Subject:** FW: Invoice rejection letter US Mission Benghazi  
**Attachments:** Letter to BMG\_rejecting MAY 2012 invoice.docx

For your use!

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**To:** Pruitt, Larry A  
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Norm

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**From:** Shobar, Rabiah M  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 22, 2012 3:09 AM  
**To:** White, Frank E  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A; TRIPOLI FMO  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Invoice Rejection

Hi Frank,

I am sorry but I don't understand what action needs to be done from my side, from my understanding from the emails below [redacted] needs to revise her invoice. Once that is done it should go to the voucher examiner for payment after it is signed for goods and services received.

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Please correct me if I am wrong.

Regards,  
Rabiah

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**Importance:** High

Rabiah et al,

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Respectfully,

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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Carmarthen, Wales SA33 5AN

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Subject: Invoice No. 2 April 2012

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Reference: Contract No. S-AQMMA-12-C-0092  
U.S. Mission Benghazi Local Guard Contract

Dear [Redacted]

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The purpose of this letter is to notify The Blue Mountain Group that the Department of State (DOS) is rejecting the above referenced invoice. The Government requests that BMG review the below information, as well as the complete invoice, and provide a revised invoice with additional documentation as appropriate.

The reason for the rejection includes, but may not be limited to, the following:

- BMG overbilled for the V-1 position, Guard Force Commander. The Exhibit A requires the GFC to work five days/40 hours per week. BMG billed the USG for 144 hours beginning April 1- April 18, 2012, when it should have billed for 112 hours.

Please note that the above outlines one issue identified by the Government. BMG should be aware that this does not necessarily include all issues and that a thorough review by BMG is warranted before resubmitting the invoice to preclude further rejections by the Government.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 571-345-2359 or via email at [pruittla@state.gov](mailto:pruittla@state.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Larry A. Pruitt  
Contracting Officer, A/LM/AQM

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Charles Lahiguera, Senior Reviewer

cc: William Maniece, DS/IP/OPO

[Redacted] The Blue Mountain Group  
Eric Nordstrom, Regional Security Officer, Tripoli  
Frank White, Acting Financial Management Officer, Tripoli  
Teresa R. Crowningshield, Regional Security Officer, Benghazi  
David Sparrowgrove, DS/IP/OPO/FPD, Branch Chief

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**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** Levin, Gregory J  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 10:50 AM  
**To:** Travers, Ricki L; Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** RE: LGF Support

Dave checked in with the Acting RSO and learned that he over reacted. It doesn't appear that BM has a licensing problem.

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**From:** Travers, Ricki L  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 10:21 AM  
**To:** Levin, Gregory J; Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** Re: LGF Support

We have got to get legal to change how licensing is done for the contracts

**From:** Levin, Gregory J  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 06:38 AM  
**To:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Cc:** Travers, Ricki L  
**Subject:** Fw: LGF Support

Another possible licensing issue.

**From:** Saravia, Jairo  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 03:08 AM  
**To:** Oliveira, David P  
**Cc:** Papanu, Brian; TRIPOLI RSO; Benghazi RSO; Maniece, William W; Levin, Gregory J; Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Subject:** RE: LGF Support

David,

Just a quick note in regards to Blue Mountain. The company has lost several security contracts here in Tripoli, including The Corinthian Hotel and Palm City complex. The latest information is Blue Mountain is not licensed by the GOL to provide security services in Libya.

I would advise not to use their services to provide security for any of our annexes and/or offices due to the sensitivity this issue has with the current GOL. The COM/DCM have concerns in regards and will not approve this.

Of course, security is priority one, but I believe we can augment the current security assets we have without the use of Blue Mountain.

If needs be, why not have the a couple of the TDY ARSO's currently due to arrive in Tripoli, detoured to Benghazi instead?

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Charles Lahiguera, Senior Reviewer



Jon,

*ARSO Jon Jairo A Saravia (Acting RSO)*

*Regional Security Office*

US Embassy Tripoli

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**From:** Oliveira, David P

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 06, 2012 6:26 PM

**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J

**Cc:** Papanu, Brian; TRIPOLI RSO; Benghazi RSO; Maniece, William W; Levin, Gregory J

**Subject:** RE: LGF Support

Thanks David,

In the short term, we're adding an additional 3 guards on the night shift to assist with coverage.

We will reassess over the next 2-3 days to determine what numbers make the most sense. As we develop a better idea of our needs, especially in the short term with the turn-over of agents, we will keep you informed.

Thanks again!

David

**From:** Sparrowgrove, David J

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 06, 2012 2:04 PM

**To:** Oliveira, David P

**Cc:** Papanu, Brian; TRIPOLI RSO; Benghazi RSO; Maniece, William W; Levin, Gregory J

**Subject:** RE: LGF Support

David,

Using the 17<sup>th</sup> Brigade to push out your perimeter is a great idea. If you need additional TNC for armed support or if the road closure turns into a long term project, we can send out additional funding to add more TNC to the stipends.

With regard to the guards, no problem, pull in as many guards as you need and don't hesitate to keep them around as long as you need them.

Good luck and stay safe,

Dave

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**From:** Oliveira, David P

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 06, 2012 7:51 AM

**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J

**Cc:** Papanu, Brian; TRIPOLI RSO; Benghazi RSO

**Subject:** LGF Support

David,

After this morning's attack, we currently have a contractor working to rebuild the wall back to its original integrity – the estimate on completion of the wall is by COB tomorrow, for the wall and for the Constantine wire. While we have the 17<sup>th</sup> Brigade supporting us and locking down the road in front of the mission, we could use a few extra guards to rove on the property over the next couple of days to support.


We have been in communication with our Blue Mountain contact here on the ground in Benghazi and he has the extra bodies to support, he only needs the green light from us. I wanted to reach out to you first to confirm if we're good to go. In the short term, we would need them just over the next 48 hours to help support and secure.

We may reach out for additional guards again in the next week when we go down to 2 agents.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!  
David

David Oliveira

  
RSO Desk - 240-553-9328

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**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 12:21 PM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI CONTRACT PAYMENT

Jerry,

The POC is Haroon Ayoubi: [AyoubiH@state.gov](mailto:AyoubiH@state.gov).

Thanks,

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Neil

**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 11:43 AM  
**To:** Kern, Neil M  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** BENGHAZI CONTRACT PAYMENT

Neil,

Renee nor I have the POC to initiate payment for the Benghazi contract. Do you know who I need to contact?

Also, do I need to produce a COR letter approving the invoice?

It's all new to me so bear with me as I learn the process.

V/R,  
Jerry Neal  
DS/IP/OPO, SA-20,  
PSC,  
Email: [Nealje@State.gov](mailto:Nealje@State.gov) or [DS\\_OPO\\_FPD\\_NEA\\_SCA@state.gov](mailto:DS_OPO_FPD_NEA_SCA@state.gov)  
Office: 571-345-2414

FAX 571-345-2000

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**From:** Kern, Neil M  
**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2012 9:47 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: Invoice Template and Signed SF33  
**Attachments:** Executed SF33.pdf; PDFRetriever.pdf

Jan,

In case you are not able to locate the SF33, here's a copy from my email records. The quality is somewhat degraded and so I've attached the original unsigned document to hopefully provide clarity should some areas be illegible.

Thanks,

Neil

**From:** Kern, Neil M [<mailto:KernNM@state.gov>]  
**Sent:** 06 March 2012 14:23  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Invoice Template and Signed SF33



Here's the invoice template and signed SF33. Due to the document being scanned multiple times, it's quality has been pretty degraded. Would it be possible for you to print a clean copy, sign and then mail to me? Once done, we'll sign and mail back a hardcopy so that we all have a descent copy. No rush though...

Thanks,

Neil M. Kern (Contractor)  
U.S. Department of State  
AQM/WWD/LGB  
Federal Acquisition Resources, Inc.  
(o) 571.345.2366  
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<b>SOLICITATION, OFFER, AND AWARD</b>		1. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)		RATING	
2. CONTRACT NUMBER <b>SAQMMMA12C0092</b>		3. SOLICITATION NUMBER		5. DATE ISSUED <b>02/17/2012</b>	
		4. TYPE OF SOLICITATION <input type="checkbox"/> SEALED BID (IFB) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGOTIATED (RFP)		6. REQUISITION/PURCHASE NUMBER	
7. ISSUED BY OFFICE OF ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT (A/LM/AQM) PO BOX 9115, ROSSLYN STATION US DEPARTMENT OF STATE ARLINGTON, VA 22219		CODE: LMAQM		8. ADDRESS OFFER TO (if other than item 7) OFFICE OF ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT (A/LM/AQM) PO BOX 9115, ROSSLYN STATION US DEPARTMENT OF STATE ARLINGTON, VA 22219	

NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" mean "bid" and "bidder".

## SOLICITATION

9. Sealed offers in original and \_\_\_ copies for furnishing the supplies or services in the Schedule will be received at the place specified in item 8, or if hand carried, in the depository located in \_\_\_ SEE L.5 until \_\_\_ local time \_\_\_

CAUTION - LATE Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals: See Section L, Provision No. 52.214-7 or 52.215-1. All offers are subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation.

10. FOR INFORMATION E-MAIL:	A. NAME <b>Larry A. Pruitt</b> <b>RELEASED IN FULL</b>	B. TELEPHONE (NO COLLECT CALLS)	C. E-MAIL ADDRESS <b>pruittla@state.gov</b>
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## OFFER (Must be fully completed by offeror)

NOTE: Item 12 does not apply if the solicitation includes the provisions at 52.214-16, Minimum Bid Acceptance Period.

12. In compliance with the above, the undersigned agrees, if this offer is accepted within \_\_\_ calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different from the date for receipt of offers specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite period is inserted by the offeror) each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the schedule.

13. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See Section I, Clause No. 52.232-8)	10 CALENDER DAYS (%)	20 CALENDER DAYS (%)	30 CALENDER DAYS (%)	CALENDER DAYS (%)
14. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AMENDMENTS (The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the SOLICITATION for offerors and related documents numbered and dated):	AMENDMENT NO.	DATE	AMENDMENT NO.	DATE

15A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFEROR CONTACT: Blue Mountain Libya Al Waast Street Mshashta Janzour LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA	DUNS:	16. NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN OFFER (Type or Print)
15B. TELEPHONE NUMBER	<input type="checkbox"/> 15C. CHECK IF REMITTANCE ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE - ENTER SUCH ADDRESS IN SCHEDULE.	17. SIGNATURE
		18. OFFER DATE

## AWARD (To be completed by Government)

19. ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS NUMBERED	20. AMOUNT <b>GBP494,252.70</b>	21. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION See Line Item Detail	\$0.00
22. AUTHORITY FOR USING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION: <input type="checkbox"/> 10 U.S.C. 2304(c) ( ) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 41 U.S.C. 253(c) ( ) 2	23. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN (4 copies unless otherwise specified)	ITEM	
24. ADMINISTERED BY (if other than item 7) CODE:	25. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY AMERICAN EMBASSY TRIPOLI 8850 TRIPOLI PLACE ATTN: GSO WASHINGTON, DC 20521	CODE: TRIPO	
26. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) <b>Kelly Bracey</b>	27. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Signature of Contracting Officer)	28. DATE <b>02/17/2012</b>	

IMPORTANT - Award will be made on this Form, or on Standard Form 26, or by other authorized official written notice.

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Line Item Summary	Contract Number: SAQMMA12C0092	Order Number:	Title: Local Guard Contract Benghazi		Total Funding: \$0.00	Date of Award: 02/17/2012	
Line Item No.	Description			Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Cost
001	<div>Doc Ref No:</div> <div>Taxes Included: Delivery Date (Start to End) Date FOB: 03/01/2012 to 02/28/2013 Destination</div> <div>Funding Information:</div>			1.00	LT	GBP494,252.70	GBP494,252.70
Grand Total:					GBP494,252.70		

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5 DATE ISSUED <b>02/17/2012</b>		6 REQUEST FOR PURCHASE NUMBER			
7 OFFICE OF ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT (A) (M) (W) (C) P.O. BOX 5115, MOSSLYN STATION US DEPARTMENT OF STATE ARLINGTON VA 22210			8 OFFICE OF ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT (A) (M) (W) (C) P.O. BOX 5115, MOSSLYN STATION US DEPARTMENT OF STATE ARLINGTON VA 22210		
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**From:** Saravia, Jairo  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 12, 2012 10:54 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** RE: Benghazi Service Level Agreement

I will bring it to the DCM's attention.

Jon

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*ARSO Jon Jairo A Saravia (Acting RSO)*

*Regional Security Office  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 12, 2012 4:25 PM  
**To:** Saravia, Jairo  
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Jan

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Happy Tuesday Mr. Nordstrom,

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Charles Lahiguera, Senior Reviewer

I am new to the A/LM/AQM staff and supporting the Local Guard Program. As such, the Benghazi contract is now part of the portfolio that I manage. If there is anything I can do to support you, please let me know.

I do need your help and support on getting a service level agreement (SLA) fully signed. I understand there was a tremendous rush to get the original contract awarded, and the SLA was most likely just overlooked in the rush. That said, my management noticed that the SLA is missing and requested that I get one in the file by the end of the week. So I truly appreciate it if you would ask the post DCM to sign the attached document. Then if you would kindly return the



document to my attention, I will coordinate the signatures here in Washington. Thank you in advance for your help and support on this matter.

Best Regards,  
Jan

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**From:** Polaschik, Joan A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 12, 2012 11:14 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L; Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Gordon, Kam J; Greenfield, Alan; Larson, Jennifer A; McFarland, David C; TRIPOLI RSO  
**Subject:** FW: Benghazi Service Level Agreement  
**Attachments:** SLA Benghzai 11June2012.pdf

Jan & Jerry - I have not been involved at all in any of the negotiations regarding the Benghazi LGF contract and frankly have no idea what arrangements were put in place. At this point, I am not comfortable signing any documentation -- particularly ones that make my staff responsible for actions that presumably already have occurred.

Alan - can you please follow up with the right folks in the Department to make sure Embassy Tripoli has the full information on this contract?

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Ma'am,

For your review and signature,

Jon

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*Regional Security Office*  
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Happy Tuesday Mr. Nordstrom,

I am new to the A/LM/AQM staff and supporting the Local Guard Program. As such, the Benghazi contract is now part of the portfolio that I manage. If there is anything I can do to support you, please let me know.

I do need your help and support on getting a service level agreement (SLA) fully signed. I understand there was a tremendous rush to get the original contract awarded, and the SLA was most likely just overlooked in the rush. That said, my management noticed that the SLA is missing and requested that I get one in the file by the end of the week. So I truly appreciate it if you would ask the post DCM to sign the attached document. Then if you would kindly return the document to my attention, I will coordinate the signatures here in Washington. Thank you in advance for your help and support on this matter.

Best Regards,  
Jan



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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**AQM SHARED SERVICES SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE U.S. MISSION BENGHAZI, OFFICE OF ACQUISITION  
MANAGEMENT (A/LM/AQM), THE OFFICE OF SMALL DISADVANTAGED  
BUSINESS UTILIZATION (A/SDBU) AND DIPLOMATIC SECURITY'S OFFICE OF  
OVERSEAS PROTECTIVE OPERATIONS (DS/IP/OPO) FOR DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE OVERSEAS LOCAL GUARD CONTRACTS**

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is to clearly-define the roles and responsibilities for the U.S. Mission Benghazi local guard contract under the Office of Acquisition Management Shared Services Initiative.

In executing this mutual agreement, all parties agree to work collaboratively as partners and follow the procedures delineated herein for accountability, oversight, and shared contract administration of the U.S. Mission Benghazi local guard contract.

The Bureau of Administration Office of Acquisition Management (A/LM/AQM) and Diplomatic Security's Office of Overseas Protective Operations (DS/IP/OPO) in support of the U.S. Mission Benghazi will assume responsibility for managing the local guard contract with full commitment and dedication to the roles and responsibilities delineated herein.

**II. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES****A. Diplomatic Security Office of Overseas Protective Operations (DS/IP/OPO)****1. Branch Chiefs within the Facility Protection Division along with their assigned Security Program Officers are to:**

- a) Serve as liaison to the DS representatives in the field (RSO, ARSO and PSO) for technical and operational issues;
- b) Review technical aspects of the solicitation and provide recommended changes;
- c) Assist AQM on technical and operational contractual issues; and
- d) May be required to Chair or participate as a member of a technical evaluation panel (TEP).

**2. Contract Support Branch provides guidance and support, as needed and resources permitting, to Post and AQM on the following Program Office requirements:**

- a) Review of technical aspects of the solicitation and provide authorization for release;

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- b) Provide input to AQM and DS joint solicitation work group;
- c) Review contract modifications as requested by DS/IP/OPO;
- d) Develop invoice templates for Local Guard Program (LGP) contracts; and
- e) May be required to participate as a member of a TEP.

**3. DS Chief Financial Officer (DS/EX/CFO) responsibilities include:**

- a) Determine and certify availability of funds per appropriation legislation and the DS Bureau's approved financial plan;
- b) Manage cash flow during periods of continuing resolution appropriation funding; and
- c) Allot funds for contract financing when funds are available.

**B. Overseas Post Responsibilities**

**1. Regional Security Officer (RSO) or Assistant Regional Security Officer (ARSO) responsibilities include:**

- a) Serve as the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) in accordance with the COR Delegation Memo;
- b) Provide input to DS and AQM regarding Post's LGP requirements;
- c) Coordinate with Post Security Officer (PSO) on contractor performance;
- d) Provide technical and operational information as necessary;
- e) Initiate the purchase request for contract modification to include incremental funding, additional services, etc.;
- f) Chair the Technical Evaluation Panel and ensure no less than two other members are recruited for participation;
- g) Participate in the debriefing of unsuccessful offerors;
- h) Promptly review monthly invoices for payment: checking for completeness and accuracy through application of sound sampling techniques: and, accept (approve) or reject with 7 calendar days after receipt; and
- i) Host the pre-proposal conference for potential vendors.

**2. General Services Officer (GSO) responsibilities include:**

- a) Host a pre-proposal site visit for prospective offerors;
- b) Host and participate in the pre-award and post-award conferences, ensuring space arrangements and set-up for the conferences;
- c) Facilitate and expedite customs clearance of government furnished equipment (GFE);
- d) Assist with identifying a property management custodian; and
- e) May serve on the Technical Evaluation Panel, if determined necessary by Post.

**3. Human Resources Officer (HRO) responsibilities include:**

- a) Provide information and support pertaining to wage determinations to include consultations with local labor lawyer should contractor request equitable price adjustment due to a change in local labor law;
- b) Provide/share copies of post annual wage surveys;
- c) May serve on the Technical Evaluation Panel, if determined necessary by Post; and
- d) Serve as point of contact to obtain local attorney if required.

**4. Financial Management Officer (FMO) responsibilities include:**

- a) Ensure timely certification of funds via electronic memorandum to AQM if Post does not have Ariba. If Post has Ariba, FMO will enter funding into Ariba;
- b) Process invoice for payment after RSO or ARSO as COR approves invoice for payment;
- c) Provide electronic copies of paid invoices and any correspondence with the LG Contractor regarding the invoice payment or deductions to the CO and DS/IP/OPO within five days of payment; and
- d) If post receives funds via allotment from DS, then once final award is made FMO should contact DS/EX/CFO and advise of un-obligated amounts so that funds can be withdrawn.

**C. AQM Local Guard Branch (A/LM/AQM/WWD/LGB)**

**1. Pre-Award Activities responsibilities include:**

- a) Serve as the Contracting Officer and Source Selection Authority;
- b) Prepare and issue the solicitation and contract award documents, including solicitation amendments and contract modifications;
- c) Conduct market research;
- d) Conduct pre-proposal conference and assist Post with site visit;
- e) Serve as the focal point of any exchange with potential offerors following release of the solicitation;
- f) Oversee and manage technical evaluations;
- g) Evaluate price and business management proposals with assistance from DS for technical assistance only and Post (especially with regard to the offeror's compensation plan); and
- h) Award contract.

**2. Post Award Activities responsibilities include:**

- a) Perform contract administration functions and duties;
- b) Be capable of responding to Post's requirements 24 hours 7 days per week;
- c) Develop contract audit plan and fund audit;
- d) Routinely visit posts to ensure contract compliance (Est. 4 times in the first year of award.);

- e) Perform contract closeout activities; and
- f) Liaison with Office of the Legal Advisor and Post on litigation issues as necessary.

#### **D. Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (A/SDBU)**

Pursuant to DOSAR 619, it is the Department's policy to provide maximum opportunities for U.S. small businesses to participate in the acquisition process. Department contracts that are awarded domestically for performance overseas shall be subject to the Small Business Act as a matter of policy. As partners to this process, A/SDBU responsibilities include:

- a) Review DS-1910;
- b) Review annual forecast to identify possibilities for set asides;
- c) Work with Post, AQM, and DS on market research;
- d) Sign Tripartite Agreements for set-asides;
- e) Participate in pre-proposal site visits for set-asides;
- f) Liaise with small businesses award recipients; and
- g) Liaise with Small Business Administration.

### **III. AUTHORITIES**

Nothing in this agreement shall otherwise affect the authorities of the Contracting Officer, Office of Overseas Protective Operations, and/or Post Operations. In the event any matter under this MOA cannot be resolved under the procedures specified herein, it shall be referred to the Head of Contracting Activity (HCA) and the Assistant Director of International Programs for Diplomatic Security for resolution.

### **IV. IMPLEMENTATION AND TERMINATION**

This Memorandum of Agreement shall remain in force throughout the life of local guard contract for Benghazi and includes all options, if exercised. If it is determined that is in the best interest of the U.S. Government to terminate the contract, AQM and DS/IP/OPO will work with Post to ensure that a new contract is in place to ensure the continuation of uninterrupted guard services.

**Joan A. Polaschik**  
**Deputy Chief of Mission**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Date

**Douglas A. Allison**  
**Director, Office of Overseas Protective Operations (DS/IP/OPO)**

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Shapleigh C. Drisko**  
**Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (A/SDBU)**

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Signature

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Date

**Vince Chaverini**  
**Division Director, Office of Acquisition Management, Worldwide Operations**

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 13, 2012 7:57 AM  
**To:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Cc:** Visintainer, Jan L; Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI INVOICE PAYMENT

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Larry,

There were no A&E services reported for May.

I'll reach out to the RSO and remind him to maintain some awareness of the limited A&E hours built into the contract. Additionally, I don't know how the RSO can agree to A&E since all of the guard post, with the exception of the GFC, are 24/7. I'll look into it.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 12, 2012 6:57 AM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI INVOICE PAYMENT

Jerry,

I copied Jan on the email since she is now assigned the Benghazi contract.

I don't need to see the invoice prior to sending for payment. The only thing that should be needed is the one page monthly invoice summary that has been signed by the COR approving payment. From looking at the April invoice it appears that the actual currency of the invoice is slightly confusing, so you may also want to indicated that the invoice should be paid in Pounds Sterling.

One thing that we may want to watch is the burn rate of A&E services. The contract ceiling is 1051 hours (3%) for the guard category. This new contract started on March 1, 2012. In the month of April alone they used 406 hours. If similar usage occurred in March and May, then we are reaching the ceiling or have already exceeded for this category of labor. We need to look into how A&E services are being utilized as well as looking into projecting a more accurate percentage in Benghazi.

Respectfully,

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**Larry A. Pruitt Jr.**

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2012 2:39 PM  
**To:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** BENGHAZI INVOICE PAYMENT

Larry,

I've reviewed and approve of the Blue Mountain invoices for the months of April and May. The POC for payment is Haroon Ayoubi in Charleston. Do I send those to him or do you need to see the invoices prior to sending them? Also, what do I include in the email to Haroon, the Exhibit I or all of the documents submitted for review? Please advise.

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 13, 2012 3:17 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Maniece, William W; Visintainer, Jan L; Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** BENGHAZI INVOICE PAYMENT  
**Attachments:** BENGHAZI APPROVED APRIL INVOICE.pdf; BENGHAZI APPROVED MAY INVOICE.pdf

Haroon,

Sorry for the delay. Here are the Benghazi invoices (April and May) approved for payment. In case it isn't clear, payment should be made in British Pound Sterling.

V/R,  
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## Guard Force Services Invoice Summary - Benghazi

U.S. Department of State Contract Number: SAQMMA-12-C-0092 Effective Mod for this Invoice: M001

Contractor Name: The Blue Mountain Group  
 Address: Brodie Farm  
Carmarthen, Wales  
United Kingdom  
SA33 5AN

Invoice Date: 1/5/2012  
 Invoice number: 2-revision1

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Main Post on Contract: Benghazi  
 Period of Performance Invoiced: From: 1 April 2012

Contract Year: Base Year  
 To: 30 April 2012

Total Amount Due this Period: 42,325.80 Dinar (LYD)(£)

## Standard Services

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CLIN	Labor Category	Hourly Rate	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
0001	Guard Force Commander		112.00		
0002	Senior Guard		720.00		
0003	Guard		2,864.00		
SUBTOTAL			3,696.00		0.00
Subtotal for Standard Services			3,696.00		0.00

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## Additional or Emergency Services

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CLIN	Labor Category	Hourly Rate	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
0004	Guard Force Commander		0.00		
0005	Senior Guard		0.00		
0008	Guard		406.00		
SUBTOTAL			406.00		0.00
Subtotal for A or E Services			406.00		0.00

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## Guard Force Services Invoice Summary

## Total Current Amount Invoiced

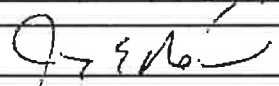
CLIN	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
Standard Services	3,696.00		0.00
A or E Services	406.00		0.00
0007 Vehicles			
0008 Radio Network			
0009 Reimbursable Materials		0.00	
0010 DBA Insurance		0.00	
Invoice SUBTOTAL Amount This Month BEFORE Deducts:		42,325.80	0.00
Deductions taken for the month of: _____ at a total of _____			
Deductions taken for the month of: _____ at a total of _____			
RESULTING INVOICE AMOUNT THIS MONTH INCLUDING DEDUCTS:		42,325.80	0.00
VAT 0%		0.00	
GST		0.00	
TOTAL INVOICE AMOUNT:		42,325.80	0.00

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I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the services for which payment is being requested were performed during the period reflected on the invoice and were performed in compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract, including the special contract requirements (Government Approval And Acceptance of Contractor Employees, Standards of Conduct and Personnel Requirements).

I hereby also certify that all of the information required by the contract for payment is reflected on the invoice, the support documents and the Quality Assessment and Compliance Report (QACR).

I further certify that all the information reflected on the invoice, the support documents, and the QACR is current, accurate, and complete.

06/13/2012	PSC-13	
Date	Title of Contractor Representative	Signature


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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 14, 2012 9:32 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI ORIGINAL EXHIBIT I DOCUMENTS

I'll take it under advisement. Thanks!

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**From:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 14, 2012 9:30 AM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI ORIGINAL EXHIBIT I DOCUMENTS

The contract and/or the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) does not specifically address your question. The issue of who keeps the original invoice documents is a financial issue. As such I believe you will find an answer in the FAM and/or FAH, most likely in 4 FAM or FAH. If you cannot find an answer there, then I suggest contacting a financial expert in Charleston.

Let me know if you have difficulty resolving your question.

Best Regards,  
Jan

**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 14, 2012 9:18 AM  
**To:** Pruitt, Larry A; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** BENGHAZI ORIGINAL EXHIBIT I DOCUMENTS

Do I maintain the original Exh I invoice documents? If so, will electronic copies with signature suffice?

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**From:** Halab, Moamer M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 2:58 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L; Ahmed, Ali T  
**Subject:** RE: Need a Favor

Good morning,  
Not sure if what you're asking below is to translate it or something else, but am taking it as a translation ..lol... please see the below;

Issued by: Chamber Of Commerce and Industry - November,01-2011  
Company name: Al-Jabel Al-azrag for safety and security LTD  
Validation; 25 years, starts on 10-30-2011, ends on: 10-30-2036  
Owner; Mr. Mohamed Mohaned Mustafa Husni Al-ameer  
CEO: Mohamed Mohaned Mustafa Husni Al-ameer- appointed on; Oct,30-2011  
Vice: Adel Khalifa Mohamed El-shiekh- appointed on: Oct,30-2011  
Legal form: Limited  
Address; AL-masera AL-kubora / Tripoli, Libya  
Type of work; Safety and security

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Hope this helps,

Moamer

**From:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 26, 2012 9:37 PM  
**To:** Ahmed, Ali T; Halab, Moamer M  
**Subject:** FW: Need a Favor

G-day Gentlemen,

Since Lamia is out of the office, can one of you assist me?

Thanks!  
Jan

**From:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 26, 2012 3:35 PM  
**To:** Khazam, Lamia I  
**Subject:** Need a Favor

Happy Tuesday Lamia,

I hope this message finds you well and happy. How are Ali and Mamer doing as well. If you see either one of them, please give them my greetings.

I recently joined A/LM/AQM and I am now working as a contracting officer under the local guard program. I have a question about a license for the guard contract in Benghazi. If possible, would you please review the attached file and

let me know the name of the person and/or company that is identified on this license. Any assistance you can provide is greatly appreciated.

Best Regards,  
Jan



**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 3:09 PM  
**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** FW: BLUE MOUNTAIN CONTRACT #SAQMMA12C0092

FYI. It appears all payments are going to Blue Mountain.

V/R,  
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**From:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 3:06 PM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Subject:** RE: BLUE MOUNTAIN CONTRACT #SAQMMA12C0092

Hi Jerry,

The voucher processed and payment went to vendors' account on 6/15/12. See below screen shot for more details.

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Payment Information

Payment

4502PSC0675

Disbursing Center 190	Transmittal FSCO	Prepared 6/14/2012	Voucher Type Vendor Invoice	Disbursed 6/15/2012
Currency Code 232	Cashier Code	Bank Code UK7	Transaction Amount 82,788.60	USE Amount \$128,954.21

Bank Address  
BRODLE FARM, LLANGAIN  
CARMARTHEN, WALES SA33 5AN  
0044 1267 241 907  
THE BLUE MOUNTAIN GROUP

Bank Name

Account Type  
Checking Account

Accounting Information

Appropriation	Bureau	Allotment	Op Allowance	Obligation	Function	Object	Project	Trans Amt	USE
190	00180004	05	1450	14502C0092	6322	2354	00000000	82,788.60	112

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 2:41 PM  
**To:** Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Subject:** BLUE MOUNTAIN CONTRACT #SAQMMA12C0092

Haroon,

Just a quick follow-up on the invoices approved for payment for the Benghazi contract held by Blue Mountain UK/Blue Mountain Libya.

Have the invoices been funded?

Where does the funding go, to the UK or Libya?

Would you happen to know if the Libyan company is receiving payments? And how the funds are distributed to them?

Thanks.

V/R,  
Jerry Neal

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**From:** Oliveira, David P  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 11:15 AM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: A&E Service Request for LGF

Jerry,

Following up on the below email, here are the days the Emergency staff worked in June.

The original request was from the 6<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>, but we were only able to staff from the 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2012, all from 2200 hours to 0600 hours.

	Dates					
	6-Jun-2012	7-Jun-2012	8-Jun-2012	9-Jun-2012	10-Jun-2012	11-Jun-2012
Guards	Hours Worked	Hours Worked	Hours Worked	Hours Worked	Hours Worked	Hours Worked
	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
	8.00			8.00	8.00	

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Let me know if we are ok with proceeding with the additional rover guards over the 10 day period from the 29<sup>th</sup> of June through the 9<sup>th</sup> of July. Ideally, we would be looking to request 2 guards from the midnight to 0800 shift and only 1 guard from 1600 to midnight. But, we would be able to work with just 1 on each shift to avoid using up A&E service/time. Please let me know what works best.

Thanks!  
David

David Oliveira

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**From:** Oliveira, David P  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 2:40 PM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** RE: A&E Service Request for LGF

Jerry,

The original request for June was never fully executed. We had originally asked for three (3) additional guards (see below):

Request	Additional Guard Services/Coverage
# of Guards	3 trained/vetted
Start Date	June 6, 2012 @ 2200
End Date	June 18, 2012 @ 0600

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Location	US Mission Benghazi
Hours of Coverage	2200 – 0600 (8 hours)

**\*But, the guards scheduled were refusing to work with the US Mission on the overnight because of fear. BMG should have adjusted and I'll get the breakdown of numbers to you for June so you're up to date.**

In addition, I need to modify this original request as well. Some of the guards do not want to work for the US Mission on the night shifts, again due to fear of being targeted.

I will be asking for only 1 guard from 1600-2400 and possible 1 from 0000-0800 for the 30<sup>th</sup> of June through the 8<sup>th</sup> of June...

As soon as I have the confirmation on the #s, I'll forward to you (should be today).

Thanks!

David

David Oliveira

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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 1:51 PM  
**To:** Oliveira, David P  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: A&E Service Request for LGF

David,

Thanks for the heads up on the request. Before you move forward (and I know it's late now), but have you used any A&E for the month of June? If so, how many hours?

With this request, and based usage that we're aware of, we're going to be down to approx 170 hours of A&E remaining at the end of this requested time. Since I don't have visibility on what you've used this month, I need to know that immediately to ensure we don't exceed the A&E time on the contract. Please advise as soon as possible.

V/R,

Jerry Neal

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**From:** Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 4:11 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** FW: A&E Service Request for LGF

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**From:** Oliveira, David P  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 2:00 PM  
**To:** [Benghazi@bluemountaingroup.co.uk](mailto:Benghazi@bluemountaingroup.co.uk)  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Papanu, Brian; Benghazi RSO; Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** A&E Service Request for LGF



Please see attached request for additional guard services for a 10 day period, beginning on June 29.  
We want to have the extra 2 guards per two night shifts to rove the compound in the run up to the elections, and to cover the days when we are expecting some protests in early July.

Thanks!  
David

David Oliveira



RSO Desk - 240-553-9328

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 30, 2012 11:22 AM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Cc:** Oliveira, David P; Sparrowgrove, David J; Maniece, William W; Visintainer, Jan L; TRIPOLI RSO; Shobar, Rabiah M; Ayoubi, Haroon  
**Subject:** RE: BENGHAZI FUNDING

Jerry,

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Absolutely. Our funds in FC 5824 (Bodyguards) are higher than expected due to the time it has taken to bring the staffing online. Currently, we have only 16 of the 24 spots filled so I agree, we aren't likely to expend all the funds by EOY.

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Bodyguards				FC	
1		08	02	5824	
2		07	01	5824	
3		07	01	5824	
4	Vacant	BG Supervisor	07	01	5824
5		05	01	5824	
6		05	01	5824	
7		05	01	5824	
8		05	06	5824	
9		05	01	5824	
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15		05	01	5824	
16		05	01	5824	
17		05	01	5824	
18	Vacant	BG	05	01	5824
19	Vacant	BG	05	01	5824
20	Vacant	BG	05	01	5824
21	Vacant	BG	05	01	5824

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22	Vacant	BG	05	01		5824
23	Vacant	BG	05	01		5824
24	Vacant	BG	05	01		5824


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**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 9:24 PM  
**To:** Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Cc:** Oliveira, David P; Sparrowgrove, David J; Maniece, William W; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** BENGHAZI FUNDING

Eric,

The contract A&E hours for the Benghazi guard contract is running short. Based on projections through July 9, they will have approximately 60 hours of A&E remaining in the "guard" labor category for the duration of the contract. Under function code 5824, there is more than \$480,000 in unobligated funds. Being more than halfway through the fiscal year, there doesn't seem to be a need for all of the funding. We'd like to take \$16,000 from function code 5824 and realign it to 5822 to cover the cost of adding an additional 1,000 hours of A&E under the "guard" labor category for the Benghazi contract. We'd like to execute a contract modification as soon as possible. I just need a thumbs up from you if this is okay to do.

V/R,  
Jerry Neal  
Civil Service  
DS/IP/OPO, SA-20,  
Email: [Nealje@State.gov](mailto:Nealje@State.gov)  
or [DS\\_OPO\\_FPD\\_NEA\\_SCA@state.gov](mailto:DS_OPO_FPD_NEA_SCA@state.gov)  
Office: 571-345-2414  
  
FAX 571-345-2000

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Guard Force Services Invoice Summary - Benghazi

U.S. Department of State Contract Number: SAQMMA-12-C-0092 Effective Mod for this Invoice: M001

Contractor Name: The Blue Mountain Group  
 Address: Brodie Farm  
 Carmarthen, Wales  
 United Kingdom  
 SA33 5AN  
 Main Post on Contract: Benghazi  
 Period of Performance Invoiced: From: 1 May 2012 To: 31 May 2012  
 Invoice Date: 1/5/2012  
 Invoice number: 2-revision1  
 Contract Year: Base Year  
 To: 31 May 2012

Total Amount Due this Period: 40,462.80 Dinar (LYD)(£)

Standard Services

CLIN	Labor Category	Hourly Rate	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
0001	Guard Force Commander		180.00		
0002	Senior Guard		744.00		
0003	Guard		2,976.00		
SUBTOTAL			3,880.00		0.00
Subtotal for Standard Services			3,880.00		0.00

Additional or Emergency Services

CLIN	Labor Category	Hourly Rate	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
0004	Guard Force Commander		0.00	0.00	
0005	Senior Guard		0.00	0.00	
0006	Guard		0.00	0.00	
SUBTOTAL			0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal for A or E Services			0.00	0.00	0.00

Guard Force Services Invoice Summary

Total Current Amount Invoiced

CLIN	Total Number of Hours	Subtotal Current Amount	Non ICASS Portion
Standard Services	3,880.00		0.00
A or E Services	0.00		0.00
0007 Vehicles			
0008 Radio Network			
0009 Reimbursable Materials		0.00	
0010 DBA Insurance		0.00	
Invoice SUBTOTAL Amount This Month BEFORE Deducts:		40,462.80	0.00
Deductions taken for the month of: at a total of			
Deductions taken for the month of: at a total of			
RESULTING INVOICE AMOUNT THIS MONTH INCLUDING DEDUCTS:		40,462.80	0.00
YAT 0%		0.00	
GST		0.00	
TOTAL INVOICE AMOUNT:		40,462.80	0.00

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the services for which payment is being requested were performed during the period reflected on the invoice and were performed in compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract, including the special contract requirements (Government Approval And Acceptance of Contractor Employees, Standards of Conduct and Personnel Requirements).

I hereby also certify that all of the information required by the contract for payment is reflected on the invoice, the support documents and the Quality Assessment and Compliance Report (QACR).

I further certify that all the information reflected on the invoice, the support documents, and the QACR is current, accurate, and complete.

26/13/2012	PSC-13	[Signature]
Date	Title of Contractor Representative	Signature

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*Department of State – United States of America*  
*U.S. Mission Benghazi, Libya*

June 28, 2012

**\*UPDATED REQUEST\***

To: [redacted] Blue Mountain Group  
[redacted] Blue Mountain Group

From: David Oliveira, Regional Security Officer  
US Mission Benghazi, Libya

Re: Notification of Additional or Emergency (A&E) Services

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B7(A)  
B7(C))  
B7(C)

The Regional Security Office (RSO) Benghazi requests the addition of **two (2) GUARDS**, for a period of nine days (9) days beginning **June 30, 2012 at 1600** and concluding on **July 9, 2012 at 0800**.

The additional two guards are requested to be folded into the existing evening shifts; one guard to be scheduled from **1600 – 2400** and one posted from **0000 – 0800** hours. The additional two guards will supplement the current rotation of five (5) permanent guards in the run up to the elections as rovers.

RSO Benghazi will work with the Local Guard Force Commander and respective supervisors for placement of the additional guards as rovers on the compound.

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Ref: Contract No. S-AQMMA-12-C-0092, Section B.9.2

U.S. Mission Benghazi, Libya | Office: 240-553-9328 | Mobile: [redacted]

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Oliveira, David P  
**Sent:** Friday, June 29, 2012 5:20 PM  
**To:** 'Ops Benghazi'  
**Cc:** Neal, Jerry E; Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** RE: A&E Service Request for LGF  
**Attachments:** UPDATE\_Request for AE Services\_June2012.docx

can you modify the original request to only 1 per shift, please see attached.  
We may pull in the other one, but for now 1 extra guard roving per shift should suffice until I hear back from DC.

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B7(C)

Thanks again!

David Oliveira  
Cell   
RSO Desk - 240-553-9328

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**From:** Ops Benghazi [mailto:benghazi@bluemountaingroup.co.uk]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 9:19 PM  
**To:** Oliveira, David P  
**Subject:** RE: A&E Service Request for LGF

Dave,

Request for additional staff received.

Please find attached the two recent Incident reports that were sent back to UK  
Best regards,

Project Manager, US Mission, Benghazi

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B7(A)  
B7(C)

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**From:** Oliveira, David P [mailto:OliveiraDP@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 8:00 PM  
**To:** Ops Benghazi


**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Papanu, Brian; Benghazi RSO; Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** A&E Service Request for LGF



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Thanks!  
David

David Oliveira  
Cell -   
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**From:** [redacted]@bluemountaingroup.co.uk  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 1:21 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** RE: Blue Mountain Libya

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Many thanks Jan.

Any progress this end and I will keep you all informed.

Best regards,

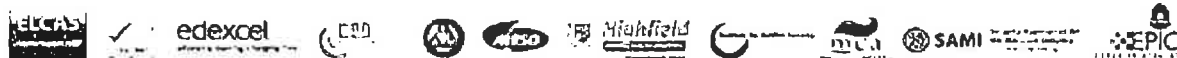
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**From:** Visintainer, Jan L [mailto:VisintainerJL@state.gov]  
**Sent:** 28 June 2012 18:16  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** RE: Blue Mountain Libya

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B7(A)  
B7(C)

Thank you for this information.

Contact information for [redacted] is as follows:  
Office telephone: 202-639-0236  
Cell telephone: [redacted]  
Email: [redacted]@cohortinternational.com

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**From:** [redacted]bluemountaingroup.co.uk  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 10:27 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** RE: Blue Mountain Libya

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[redacted]@eclipse-ly.com

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Best regards,

[redacted]  
Chief Executive Officer

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**From:** Visintainer, Jan L [<mailto:VisintainerJL@state.gov>]  
**Sent:** 28 June 2012 13:22  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** Blue Mountain Libya

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B7(A)  
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G-day [redacted]

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I want to share with you the attached letter I received from your Libyan partner. If possible, we (State Department) want to talk to you on the telephone at 10:00 am EDT. I suspect the attached letter may cause you great angst; however, please try to not let it bother you before we get the opportunity to talk later today. During our telephone conversation, I am happy to explain State Department's position relating to the Benghazi contract and the performance.

Best Regards,  
Jan

**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** [redacted]@bluemountaingroup.co.uk  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 8:45 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Subject:** RE: Blue Mountain Libya

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B7(A)  
B7(C)

Good morning Jan,

Many thanks for passing over the letter.

I had just drafted up an email to you this morning and was preparing to send this afternoon with an update to where BM UK are with the partners.

I will be available on the office line throughout today.

I look forward to speaking with you all later.

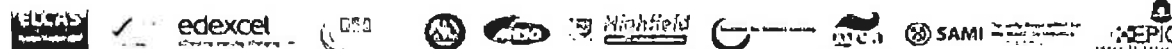
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**Subject:** Blue Mountain Libya

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G-day Mr. [redacted]

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*U.S. Mission Benghazi, Libya*

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June 27, 2012

To: [redacted] Blue Mountain Group  
[redacted] Blue Mountain Group

From: David Oliveira, Regional Security Officer  
US Mission Benghazi, Libya

Re: Notification of Additional or Emergency (A&E) Services

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B7(C)  
B7(C)

The Regional Security Office (RSO) Benghazi requests the addition of four (4) GUARDS, for a period of ten days (10) days beginning **June 29, 2012** and concluding on **July 9, 2012**.

The additional four guards are requested to be folded into the existing evening shifts; two guards to be scheduled from **1600 – 2400** and the other two posted from **0000 – 0800** hours. The additional two guards per shift will supplement the current rotation of five (5) permanent guards in the run up to the elections.

RSO Benghazi will work with the Local Guard Force Commander and respective supervisors for placement of the additional guards as rovers on the compound.

Ref: Contract No. S-AQMMA-12-C-0092, Section B.9.2

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Neal, Jerry E  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 28, 2012 7:51 AM  
**To:** Oliveira, David P  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Sparrowgrove, David J; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: A&E Service Request for LGF  
**Attachments:** Request for AE Services\_June2012.docx

David,

Thanks for the heads up on the request. Before you move forward (and I know it's late now), but have you used any A&E for the month of June? If so, how many hours?

With this request, and based usage that we're aware of, we're going to be down to approx 170 hours of A&E remaining at the end of this requested time. Since I don't have visibility on what you've used this month, I need to know that immediately to ensure we don't exceed the A&E time on the contract. Please advise as soon as possible.

V/R,

Jerry Neal

Civil Service

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**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Papanu, Brian; Benghazi RSO; Nordstrom, Eric A  
**Subject:** A&E Service Request for LGF



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David

David Oliveira  
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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** [redacted]@cohortinternational.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 1:19 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** Bio's  
**Attachments:** [redacted] Bio 6.doc; ATT00001.htm; [redacted] doc; ATT00002.htm; [redacted] copy  
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Jan,

Attached you will find my bio as well as Cohort's [redacted]

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[redacted] I considered this may help  
you with background regarding key personnel in Cohort.

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**Logg, Cristina A**

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**From:** [redacted]@cohortinternational.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 1:52 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** Fwd: Letter of Authorization  
**Attachments:** Scanned Image 121790002.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Jan,

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In case the first try did not come through clean.



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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** [redacted]@cohortinternational.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 1:36 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** Re:

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Jan

There should have been only one attachment which was the Letter of Authorization from Blue Mountain Libya.



Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 27, 2012, at 10:57 AM, "Visintainer, Jan L" <VisintainerJL@state.gov> wrote:

Thank you for the message. Your message contained a total of four attachments. Two of the attachments are in a PDF format which can be read. The other two attachments are unreadable. What are those two attachments?

Best Regards,  
Jan

**From:** [redacted]@cohortinternational.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 10:16 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:**

Jan,

Please see attached Letter of Authorization from Blue Mountain Libya. I will be the only person in attendance but will have the owners of Blue Mountain Libya available by phone.



**Cohort International**

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**Office 202-639-0236**

**Mobile** [redacted]

[redacted]@cohortinternational.com



June 27, 2012

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Jan Visintainer  
US Department of State  
1801 North Lynn Street  
Rosslyn, VA 22091

Ref: BML 6/2012

Re: Letter of Authorization

Dear Sir,

This Letter of Authorization is to introduce [redacted] of Cohort International as Blue Mountain Libya's representative for discussions and negotiations pertaining to Contract SAQMMA-12-R-0139. [redacted] has a formal relationship with Blue Mountain Libya and has been authorized by the principals of Blue Mountain Libya to interface with the Department of State on all aspects of contract discussions and negotiations. If there are any questions regarding this letter please contact me directly at +218 91 215 6839.

Regards,



Blue Mountain Libya

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** [redacted]@cohortinternational.com}  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2012 10:16 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Attachments:** PastedGraphic-2.pdf; ATT00001.htm; Scanned Image 121790002.pdf; ATT00002.htm

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**Logg, Cristina A**

**From:** Hiland, Adam D  
**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2012 8:16 AM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: Blue Mountain

FYI-

Adam D. Hiland  
Contract Specialist  
Local Guard Branch (A/LM/AQM/WWD/LGB)  
Office of Acquisition Management  
US Department of State, SA-20  
571.345.2378 (p)  
[HilandAD@state.gov](mailto:HilandAD@state.gov)

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**From:** [REDACTED]@bluemountaingroup.co.uk]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2012 8:10 AM  
**To:** Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A; Hiland, Adam D  
**Subject:** RE: Blue Mountain

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B7(A)  
B7(C)

Dear Dave,

Apologies for the lack of communications, but still in discussion with the business partners to try and resolve the issues we have with them. Unfortunately, at this stage I have no update to provide you with.

I am in the office today and tomorrow, out all day Wednesday and back in on Thursday. Please let me know when you are available for a conference call?

Best regards,

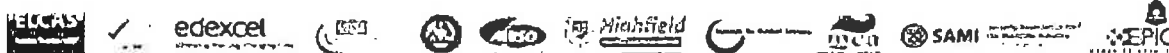


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**Sent:** 07 June 2012 22:38

**To:** [redacted]

**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A; Hiland, Adam D

**Subject:** FW: Blue Mountain

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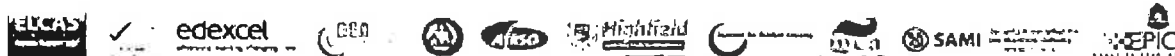


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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 19, 2012 12:48 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A; Hiland, Adam D; Visintainer, Jan L  
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Hi Dave,

I am afraid not at this moment in time. I am still in negotiation with the business partner, but I do hope to have some news by the middle of next week for you.

Best Regards,

[REDACTED]

Blue Mountain Group

Sent from my iPhone

On 19 Jun 2012, at 12:16, "Sparrowgrove, David J" <[SparrowgroveDJ@state.gov](mailto:SparrowgroveDJ@state.gov)> wrote:

Good afternoon [REDACTED]  
Any updates from Libya?

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**Cc:** Pruitt, Larry A; Hiland, Adam D; Visintainer, Jan L  
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Thanks [REDACTED] Yes, we heard about the attack. Things seem to be heating up in Benghazi!

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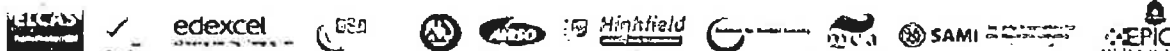
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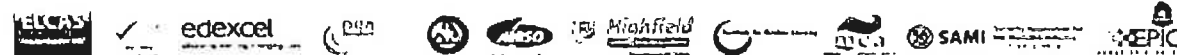
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## Logg, Cristina A

**From:** Sparrowgrove, David J  
**Sent:** Friday, June 08, 2012 11:11 AM  
**To:** Neal, Jerry E; Maniece, William W  
**Cc:** Hiland, Adam D; Pruitt, Larry A; Visintainer, Jan L  
**Subject:** FW: Additional Coverage \_ US Mission Benghazi

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**From:** Oliveira, David P  
**Sent:** Friday, June 08, 2012 10:47 AM  
**To:** Benghazi@bluemountaingroup.co.uk  
**Cc:** Sparrowgrove, David J; Benghazi RSO; Papanu, Brian; TRIPOLI RSO  
**Subject:** Additional Coverage \_ US Mission Benghazi

Good Afternoon,

We would like to formally request additional Guard Services under the current contract with US Mission Benghazi.

We are looking to have three (3) additional guards to supplement the current guard force here on the compound, with coverage for an 8 hour shift between the hours of 2200 to 0600.

If possible, we would like to initiate the night shift to assist with coverage and would operate from **06-June 2012** (backdated to cover the recent days of coverage) and remain in place through the night of 17-June 2012, terminating as of **0600 18-June 2012**.

Request	Additional Guard Services/Coverage
# of Guards	3 trained/vetted
Start Date	June 6, 2012 @ 2200
End Date	June 18, 2012 @ 0600
Location	US Mission Benghazi
Hours of Coverage	2200 – 0600 (8 hours)

We will reassess the situation as of the 18-June date.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Thank you for your support.

Best!  
David

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David Oliveira

RSO Desk - 240-553-9328  
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Logg, Cristina A

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**From:** [redacted]@nabulsilaw.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2012 1:35 PM  
**To:** Visintainer, Jan L  
**Cc:** Maniece, William W; Neal, Jerry E; Sparrowgrove, David J;  
[redacted]@bluemountaingroup.co.uk; [redacted]@bluemountaingroup.co.uk; [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Nabulsi & Associates  
**Subject:** Re: SAQMMA12C0092 US Mission Benghazi  
**Attachments:** Letter to US Dept. of State.pdf

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Please see the attached.

Regards,



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