Purchasing & Materials Management Division

PURCHASE OF PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED IN FACTORIES WHERE CHILDREN ARE USED AS SLAVE LABOUR OR OTHER EXPLOITIVE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH IMPEDES CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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PURPOSE

To advise suppliers that the City of Toronto does not wish to encourage the use of products manufactured in factories where children are used as slave labour or other exploitive circumstances which impedes child development.

POLICY

Bidders must state where the products offered have been made. City Council does not wish to see products used that have been made in factories in countries where children are used as slave labour or other exploitive circumstances which impedes child development. Therefore, preference will be given to bidders that obtain products from any country other than the aforementioned, but this criteria will not be used to disqualify any bidder.

Note: Adopted by Council at their meeting of July 4, 5, & 6, 2000, Report No. 14, clause 3 of the Administration Committee

PROCEDURES

- 1. The policy will be included in all Requests and calls issued by the Purchasing and Materials Management Division.
- 2. Also included in all Requests and calls issued by the Purchasing and Materials Management Division, will be the following statement:

"Bidders to state if products offered have been made in factories in countries where children are used as slave labour or other exploitive circumstances which impedes child development

3. This policy will be considered in the evaluation of all Bids received.

CONTACT

Should you have any questions, please contact the Purchasing and Materials Management Division. In the event that further interpretation is required, please contact the Manager, Corporate Purchasing Policy & Quality Assurance at 416-392-0387 or Supervisor, Policy, Training & Technology at 416-392-1305.