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STATEMENT OF NEED

Program Office: OTS/OAD in support of CTC/RG

Proposed Contractor/Individual: James Mitchell, Bruce Jessen and two additional SERE Psychologists.

SSN(s):

1.

Proposed Method of Acquisition: (Industrial Contract or Independent Contractor) Independent Contractor

2. Describe the services required and the need the procurement is to satisfy:

IC contracts - level of effort - SERE Psychologist expertise in support of CTC interrogation program.

3. Describe how this proposed effort is consistent with CTC goals and objectives:

CTC was recently charged by C/CTC to create an interrogation team. Drs. Mitchel and Jessen are two experienced SERE psychologists who are intimately supporting CTC/RG's HVT interrogation program by providing unique resistance and counter-resistance expertise. Drs. Mitchel and Jessen are experts in this field authored the "Al-Qaida Resistance to interrogation" study that is the foundation for CIA's interrogation strategy against Al-Qaida.

Drs. Mitchel and Jessen are the only ones authorized by CTC/LGL to employ some of the sensitive enhanced measures.

4. What is the "mission impact" to CTC if the Board does not approve: Drs. Mitchel and Jessen's IC interrogation contracts would expire and their expertise would no longer be available to CTC.

5. Are the proposed requirements similar to other efforts being performed in CTC or the Agency? If similar, how is this effort different:

No. There are no psychologists within CIA who have the experience or expertise that Drs. Mitchel and Jessen bring to the interrogation program.

6. Is this effort interdependent with other Offices/Directorates? If so, explain: Yes, the operational partnership is between DST/OTS/OAD and DO/CTC/RG.

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7. Identify the estimated cost and estimated period of performance of the proposed requirement: Based upon Jessen, Mitchel and two additional SERE psychologists providing support to the program for one year, the below spreadsheet outlines the annual costs.

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HVTI Psychologists estimated FY 03 costs



Notes: Dr. Mitchel's IC contract expires on 31 December 2002 and contains FI funding. Dr. Jessens IC contract expires July 2003 and contains FI funding.

Funding in both IC contracts will be depleted mid- December 2002.

Dr. Mitchel is currently deployed and is scheduled to return after the funding in his contract expires. However, funding in his contract expires mid-December and \$58k is needed immediately to fund his current deployment. The remainder of the requested funding for Mitchel will be against a new IC contract which will be negotiated once funding is identified.

Per D/CTC/SMD's request, funding request:.

A. Mitchel

Six months * 58k/month = \$348k

B. Jessen Six months * 58k/month=\$348k

C. Funding for remaining two psychologists is requested at one month each in order to have funding to initiate the contracts as contract start date, due to clearance process may run into next FY.

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Is this requirement listed in the current Spend Plan? If not, identify the trade-offs that will be identified to fund this "higher priority" requirement:
Unknown. Will defer to CTC regarding this question.

10. Describe any Agency space requirements needed: None.

11. Please list any security issues associated with this proposed requirement: (i.e. computer access, clearances, badge, SF-86, updated polygraph)

Dts. Mitchel and Jessen both have TS/ISSA clearances, have green badges and access to CWE. The two additional psychologists would be cleared to the same level. Contracts and Security will be responsible for managing the security clearances for these IC contractors.

I certify that the information provided herein is accurate and complete and this Statement of Need is required to support the goals and objectives of the DCI's Counterterrorist Center

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