



# CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

## BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

### BAC-Resolution No. 16-2023

#### RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE PROCUREMENT OF THE ECONOMIST NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTION

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Consulate General, intends to procure from The Economist Newspaper Limited, a one-year subscription of The Economist Newspaper for three (3) users that will start on 01 January 2024;

**WHEREAS**, the subscription includes a weekly copy of the newspaper and will also allow users access to the newspaper's website at [economist.com](http://economist.com), as well as The Economist apps, audio edition and podcasts;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 9184 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) as well as the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) Resolution No. 28-2017 dated 31 July 2017 prescribe the rules and procedures to be followed by entities in their procurement activities;

**WHEREAS**, Section 50, Rule XVI, of the IRR prescribes the use of Direct Contracting as an alternative method of procurement if goods or services are sold by an exclusive dealer or distributor;

**WHEREAS**, the GPPB Resolution No. 28-2017 provide the guidelines for the procurement of goods and services, infrastructure projects and consulting services to be procured and performed overseas;

**WHEREAS**, the GPPB Resolution No. 28-2017 dispenses with the requirement for Foreign Service Posts (FSP's) to post their procurement activities in the PHILGEPS website until the corresponding facility has become available through the PHILGEPS modernization project;

**WHEREAS**, the procurement for subscription of The Economist Newspaper is included in Chicago PCG's Project Procurement Management Plan for Calendar Year 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the annual fee of the subscription from The Economist Newspaper Limited is \$170.00 per user and the total of \$510.00 for three (3) users;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, foregoing premises considered, the BAC of the Philippine Consulate General in Chicago unanimously resolved to recommend to the Consul General and Head of the Procuring Entity to resort to Direct Contracting as the alternative mode of procurement of the abovementioned item from The Economist Newspaper Limited in the amount of \$510.00, subject to existing accounting rules and regulations.

Done this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023, in the City of Chicago, Illinois.

The Bids and Awards Committee:



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Approved by:



**J. SUSANA V. PAEZ**  
Consul General and Head of Procuring Entity