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Dear Mr B Baboojee

REQUEST FOR DEVIATION: APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH (CSIR)

1. National Treasury acknowledges receipt of your letter dated 10 March 2020.
2. The Department requests approval to deviate and appoint CSIR as a single source implementing partner to support the implementation of Cities Support Programme II (CSP II) for a period of three (3) years commencing from date of approval to November 2022 in the amount of R25 000 000.00.
3. The request was recommended by the Acting Chief Financial Officer on 10 March 2020.
4. The reasons provided to deviate and appoint CSIR are that as an outcome of this intensive planning process for CSP II, it emerged that the CSIR is a significantly stronger implementing partner for the Public Transport and Climate Resilience work planned for CSP II and this will require a larger funding envelope as well as an extension of the MoA timeframe to align with the CSP II three year timeframe. CSIR brings a deep and extensive experience of the metro implementation environment and a large toolbox of models and data that could be immediately applied in the CSP II projects.
5. The reasons provided for the deviation are justifiable.
6. National Treasury supports the deviation to appoint CSIR for CSP II.
7. The Department has an obligation to ensure that any contract for goods and services is in accordance with a system of procurement which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost effective.

Kind regards,

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