

Questions and Answers

Notice of Funding Opportunity Title: Countering Iran and its Proxies through Enhanced Counterterrorist Financing

Notice of Funding Opportunity Number: DFOP0018732

Deadline for Applications: 07 17, 2026, 5:00 PM (Washington, DC)

Question 1: Can the logic model and PMP be submitted as separate attachments that do not count toward the 12-page proposal?

Answer 1: The PMP, Logic Model, and Theory of Change can be submitted as separate attachments that do not count towards the proposal's 12-page limit.

Question 2: If the logic model and PMP cannot be submitted as separate attachments, can applicants use 10-point Times New Roman for these tables?

Answer 2: Text in tables can be 10-point Times New Roman font. All other text not in graphics/tables must be in 12-point Times New Roman font per the instructions in the NOFO.

Question 3: For the PMP, can a more flexible format be used for the layout to better accommodate the detailed data requested, provided all content remains legible and professional?

Answer 3: All applicants must use provided templates.

Question 4: Can you please confirm that the "title page" mentioned on NOFO p.10 is the same as the "Summary Page"?

Answer 4: Yes, these are the same.

Question 5: Are activities required to be organized under the NOFO's four CT Program Outcomes? Or can applicants organize activities differently but in line with these four CT Program Outcomes?

Answer 5: Applicants can organize activities differently, but the proposals should still respond to all four outcomes.

Question 6: Can you please clarify if there are any security arrangements required for applicants to include in their plans and budgets for participants/experts/staff operating in Iraq? Are costs for personnel security allowable?

Answer 6: The selected implementer will be responsible for the security of project staff. Security arrangements are an allowable cost and will be evaluated in the context of proposed activities.

Question 7: On NOFO p. 6, Program Description in "Program Focus" instructs the program to work "exclusively" with "any applicable U.S.-aligned Iraqi financial authority." Can you please clarify which specific Iraqi institutions are considered U.S.-aligned and therefore in scope?

Answer 7: Implementers cannot support any institution controlled by a U.S.-designated Foreign Terrorist Organization. Additionally, the Central Bank of Iraq (CBI) is actively executing a comprehensive, multi-year plan to overhaul the nation's banking sector and integrate it into the global financial system. CBI maintains a list of banks operating in Iraq along with their status (such as restrictions accessing U.S. dollars, liquidation, etc.). Please refer to the following CBI website links: <https://cbi.iq/news/view/3135> and <https://cbi.iq/page/93>. Finally, applicants are expected to ensure their risk assessments include mitigation plans to prevent material support to any U.S. designated entities in the course of their work.