SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF FIVE POLICY BRIEFS ON COUNTER-TERRORISM LAWS/POLICIES IN NIGERIA

Introduction

As a result of the Boko Haram insurgency in the Northeast Nigeria, there have been huge and unprecedented human rights violations that manifest strongly in the state counter-insurgency strategy. The common trends indicate that suspects are routinely picked by the security personnel on different count-charges, tortured, humiliated and punished unjustly. Those who are unlucky are kept in detention without trial for prolonged period of time while some are summarily executed.

Boko Haram survivors in Maiduguri continue to recount their bitter experiences in the hands of state security agents. As the state counter-insurgency strategy continues, there are no efforts to re-examine the state’s existing counter terrorism laws and to analyze their challenges and make recommendations. Therefore, there is need to review the laws and recommend appropriate actions to be taken in addressing identified challenges.

Thus, we are seeking the services of a Consultant(s) to develop policy briefs (5 in all) which will be used in advocacy work with key policy makers including governments, regional bodies and the international community for addressing human rights abuses in the state’s counter-insurgency strategy.

Overall objective

To develop policy briefs on the existing counter terrorism laws/policies in Nigeria, do a SWOT analysis and make recommendations for improving counter-terrorism laws/policies and operations in Nigeria

Specific objectives

The objectives are threefold to:

- Strengthen the anti-terrorism laws in key policy discussions in Nigeria.
- Highlight to policy/lawmakers the urgency to addressing human rights abuse in the state counter-insurgency strategy and ensure the rights of the citizens are upheld and protected.
- Highlight recommendations and provide a guide for the Nigerian government to address the key issues in the state counter terrorism laws/policies, operations and human rights.
Terms of reference: Produce 5 policy briefs on existing counter terrorism laws/policies, do a SWOT analysis and make recommendations for improving counter-terrorism laws/policies and operations in Nigeria.

Deliverables: Five (5) concise policy briefs of four pages each which clearly analyze existing counter terrorism laws/policies and make recommendations for improving counter-terrorism laws/policies and operations in Nigeria.

Timeframe: The assignment will be completed in 10 working days Monday 8-Friday 19 October, 2018

Expertise Required
The person required to undertake the assignment must have;
- Extensive practical knowledge and experience on counter terrorism laws, policies and human rights in Nigeria;
- Excellent understanding of the Nigerian political context;
- Experience developing/writing policy briefs especially on laws and human rights, targeted at addressing human rights abuse in the state counter-insurgency strategy;
- Excellent analytical skills and ability to review literature extensively;
- Ability to draw data from case studies and experiences from a variety of local, national and regional laws and linking them to regional and international policy advocacy agendas.

How to apply
Interested consultants should submit an expression of interest to undertake the assignment in the format below:

a) Expression of interest to undertake the assignment
b) Experience and suitability for the consultancy
c) A sample of previous research product/ policy brief
d) Expected fees
e) CV with references

Submission, on or before 19th October 2018 to procurement@cleen.org