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Purchase of 3 category B vessels for the needs of the Port and Maritime Police

Date of Signing of Agreement: 08/12/2023

Project timeline: 01/11/2022 - 31/01/2024

Project budget: €4.377.093,37

Description of the project:

The mission of the Port and Maritime Police is the surveillance of the coasts and territorial waters of the Republic of Cyprus for the prevention, detection and suppression of crime, especially drug trafficking, illegal immigration, smuggling, terrorism, safeguarding the maritime borders, but also providing assistance to the public.

The increased responsibilities of the Port and Maritime Police require the renewal of its naval fleet with vessels, which will strengthen its operational capabilities.

The aim of the mentioned project is to replace the existing Class B patrol vessels, which will increase the operational capacity of the Port and Maritime Police, safety, as well as reducing the maintenance costs of the old vessels.

The 3 boats, category B, will be made of marine type aluminum, 15-17 meters long and will be equipped with two engines. They will also have modern instruments of navigation, telecommunications, electronic equipment and rescue. The detailed description of the new boats has been prepared by the Specifications Committee established by the Chief of Police and for the matter a Public Contracts tender has been announced with no. D.O. 2/2020.

The boats will be used in all the naval stations of the free Cyprus (Protaras, Ayia Napa, Kato Paphos, Latsi, Larnaca and Limassol) mainly for border surveillance, but also in cases of search and rescue where a quick and immediate response is required. The vessels will strengthen and upgrade the National Coordination Center (NCC) for the purposes of compliance with the European Eurosur system for border surveillance, the prevention of cross-border crime and the suppression of illegal immigration, since these actions are also included in the priorities of the Republic of Cyprus.

The project is implemented within the framework of the Financial Support Instrument for Border Management and Visa Policy (BMVP) with the co-financing of the European Union and the Republic of Cyprus.



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