**EXHIBIT 1**

**LETTER OF INTEREST**

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| **Administrative information** | |
| **Name of the Bidder:** | *<…>* |
| **Legal form of the Bidder:** | *<…>* |
| **Registered office:** | *<…>* |
| **UIC/** *company number at a commercial register / equivalent identification number***:** | *<…>* |
| **Address for correspondence:**  *(country, city, postcode, street, no.)* | *<…>* |
| **Phone number:** | *<…>* |
| **Fax number:** | *<…>* |
| **E-mail address:** | *<…>* |
| **Contact person:** | *<…>* |

Date: *<insert date>*

To: Chief Marketing and Business Development Officer, SOF Connect:

Subject: **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR CARGO SERVICES AT SOFIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, STAGE 1: PREQUALIFICATION**

Dear Sir,

We hereby submit our Letter of Interest for participation in the first stage of the Tender Procedure with the subject ***"CARGO OPERATIONS AT SOFIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT".***

On behalf of [*name of the Bidder*] hereby warrant and declare:

The Bidder warrants that the Bidder has carefully examined the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Stage 1: Prequalification, including all exhibits and other attachments thereto.

The Bidder further warrants that it is participating in this tender on an individual basis and not as part of a joint venture, consortium or any other temporary association of undertakings.

The Bidder confirms that:

* it will not subcontract the execution of the core cargo handling services and that it may subcontract only be secondary services, but only after obtaining the prior written approval of SOF Connect;
* at the time of the Letter of Interest submission it does not have any unsettled financial obligations towards SOF Connect which are overdue with more than two (2) months

The Bidder understands that it may withdraw or amend the Letter of Interest up to the deadline set for its submittal, provided that a withdrawal/amendment request is made in writing and is received by SOF Connect prior to the date and time of the submittal deadline.

Corrections to errors made by the Bidder in the Letter of Interest will not be accepted after the Letter of Interest submittal due date. The Bidder agrees that all material submitted by it to SOF Connect becomes the property of SOF Connect.

Bidder undertakes and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless SOF Connect from and against all suits, claims, and causes of action brought against SOF Connect for SOF Connect's refusal to disclose Proprietary Information to any person making a request pursuant to the Access to Public Information Act. Bidder's obligations herein include, but are not limited to, all attorney's fees (both in house and outside counsel), costs of litigation incurred by SOF Connect or its attorneys (including all actual costs incurred by SOF Connect, not merely those costs recoverable by a prevailing party, and specifically including costs of experts and consultants), as well as all damages or liability of any nature whatsoever arising out of any such suits, claims, and causes of action brought against SOF Connect, through and including any appellate proceedings.

The Bidder is acquainted and agree any personal data available through the presented documents and information or during their verification to be processed by SOF Connect in accordance with the applicable GDPR regulations.

I, the undersigned as authorized representative of the Bidder affirm that I have read and understand all the provisions set forth in the RFP for Stage 1: Prequalification. On behalf of the Bidder, I guarantee that this Letter of Interest meets or exceeds the specifications contained in the RFP document and the Bidder will comply with all provisions and conditions as specified. All requested information has been submitted as requested.

I also affirm that the Bidder has not prepared this Letter of Interest in collusion with any other Bidder; and that the contents of this Letter of Interest have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by an employee or agent to any other Bidder prior to the Letter of Interest submission deadline.

By submitting a Letter of Interest, the Bidder authorizes SOF Connect to conduct whatever investigations into the Bidder’s qualifications that SOF Connect deems necessary.

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Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Authorized Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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