

RE: Vela 10-11 contract

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Dear xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx,

Please have a look at the recent guidelines from BUDG (in ares and attached) Pls let me know if you still need advice Many thanks and kind regards x

From: xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 6:07 PM

To: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Subject: Vela 10-11 contract

Dear xxxxxxxxxx,

I have just had a phone call with Mr xxxxxxxxxxxxx about the situation of the Vela 10-11 contract.

Of course, due to the current situation they cannot come to the site as foreseen to start the installation work.

Just before the introduction of the movement restrictions they had delivered a good part of the components of the air conditioning system and of the sampling system (dilution tunnel) and the plan was to start the mechanical installation at the beginning of March. Now we do not know when it will be possible to start this activity but definitely there will be a significant delay and at the moment it is difficult to foresee the impact on the final acceptance of the facilities.

Speaking with the colleagues of the contract unit, I have understood that we have two possibilities:

- Formally suspending the contract to basically not count the time elapsed during this crisis, but this will require some administrative work now and also afterwards to reactivate it. I am not sure whether in this case they can ask a revision of the price.

- Continuing without any formal step and in case amending the contract afterwards to change the deadline in order to take into account the delay.

This second approach is of course simpler and speaking with Mr xxxxxxxxxxxxx also ok for them provided that we'll not apply the penalties.

Please let me know what you think is the best approach.

Best regards