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# **Terms of Reference ABU GOSH: Dismantling, Reconstruction and Reinforcement Works for a Stone Wall with Access Staircase Deadline: 17/08/26 - 8:00PM**

## **1. Purpose of the Works**

The purpose of these Terms of Reference is to define the scope of works related to the dismantling, reconstruction, and reinforcement of an existing wall located at Sainte-Marie-de-la-Résurrection Abbey (next to the cemetery) in Abu Gosh.

The existing wall, approximately 20 meters long and forming an “L” shape, is currently made of large stone blocks assembled without proper foundations. The structure presents several weaknesses due to:

- the absence of adequate foundations;
- a significant difference in ground level between both sides of the wall;
- the presence of a tree potentially weakening the structure.

The works shall ensure:

- the long-term stabilization and safety of the site;
- the reconstruction of a stable wall compliant with local construction standards (with rainwater drainage);
- the reuse of existing stones as exterior facing;
- the integration of a staircase providing access to the upper part of the site.

## **2. Existing Conditions**

The contractor shall take into consideration the following:

- existing dry-stone or partially bonded stone wall;
- estimated length: approximately 20 meters;
- “L”-shaped configuration;
- absence of structural foundations;
- significant elevation difference between both sides of the wall;
- presence of a tree located near the structure and potentially affecting its stability.

A preliminary site visit shall be mandatory in order to assess:

- the actual condition of the structure;
- site access constraints;

- topographical and vegetation conditions;
- possible drainage and retaining requirements.

### **3. Scope of Works**

#### **3.1 Preparatory Works**

The contractor shall:

- secure the work area;
- install all necessary safety protections;
- carry out technical measurements and site layout works;
- propose, if necessary, the controlled removal of the tree weakening the structure, subject to approval by the client and in compliance with local regulations.

#### **3.2 Dismantling of the Existing Wall**

The works shall include:

- careful dismantling of the existing wall;
- sorting, cleaning, and storage of reusable stones;
- necessary cutting of obstructive trees;
- installation of a drainage system to prevent water ingress and protect the new wall;
- all necessary administrative procedures to conduct the works;
- disposal of unusable materials at an authorized disposal site.

#### **3.3 Construction of Foundations**

The new wall shall be supported by adequate foundations, including:

- stability assessment considering slope conditions and earth retention requirements;
- excavation and earthworks;
- construction of reinforced concrete foundations compliant with local standards;
- integration of drainage systems where necessary to prevent hydrostatic pressure.

#### **3.4 Construction of the New Wall**

The contractor shall construct:

- a reinforced concrete retaining wall designed to ensure long-term structural stability;
- a stone facing using the existing stones in order to preserve the aesthetic appearance of the site;
- all necessary joints, anchoring systems, and finishing works.

The wall shall:

- withstand soil pressure;
- ensure user safety;
- comply with all applicable construction regulations and standards.

### **3.5 Construction of a Staircase**

The works shall include the construction of an integrated staircase providing safe access to the upper part of the site (similar to the existing one).

The staircase shall:

- be appropriately dimensioned for safe use;
- integrate harmoniously with the wall and surrounding terrain;
- be built using durable materials suitable for outdoor conditions.

## **4. Technical Constraints**

The contractor shall take into account:

- the elevation difference between both sides of the wall;
- erosion and earth pressure risks;
- drainage requirements;
- site access limitations;
- overall ground stability during and after construction works.

## **5. Standards and Quality Requirements**

All works shall:

- comply with local construction and safety standards;
- be executed according to best engineering and construction practices;
- use materials adapted to structural and climatic conditions;
- ensure the durability of the structure.

The contractor shall be responsible for:

- the structural stability of the works;

- site safety;
- compliance of all executed works.

## **6. Expected Deliverables (max 15xA4 pages):**

The contractor shall provide (max 10xA4 pages):

- a detailed work methodology;
- execution drawings and plans;
- technical specifications of the materials used;
- a provisional work schedule;
- similar references (cost, location, date, role of company);
- applicable warranties for the completed works.

## **7. Implementation Timeline**

The contractor shall specify (max 2xA4 pages):

- the total duration of the works;
- the different phases of the project;
- any constraints related to weather or technical conditions.

## **8. Financial Proposal**

The proposal shall include (including VAT, max 3xA4 pages):

- a detailed breakdown of costs;
- labor costs;
- material costs;
- preparatory works;
- potential tree removal and waste disposal costs;
- any additional services required for the proper completion of the project.

## **9. Selection Criteria**

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- overall project cost (60%);
- the proposed methodology (15%);
- technical references: the contractor's experience in retaining wall and masonry works (15%);
- proposed timeline (10%).

## 10. Deadline, Visit and Contact details

The publication period is 4 weeks: from 20 July 2026 to 17 August 2026.

Any applications received after 8.00 pm on 17 August 2026, French time, will not be considered.

Contacts:

- Stephane Chesnard (Secretary-General of the Consulate general):  
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- Alan Hocquet (Property Project Manager):  
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Candidates will be allowed one site visit of up to one hour each during the period the vacancy is advertised (from 20 July to 17 August 2026). Please write to the above-mentioned contacts and suggest two possible dates, excluding Sundays (no specific times).

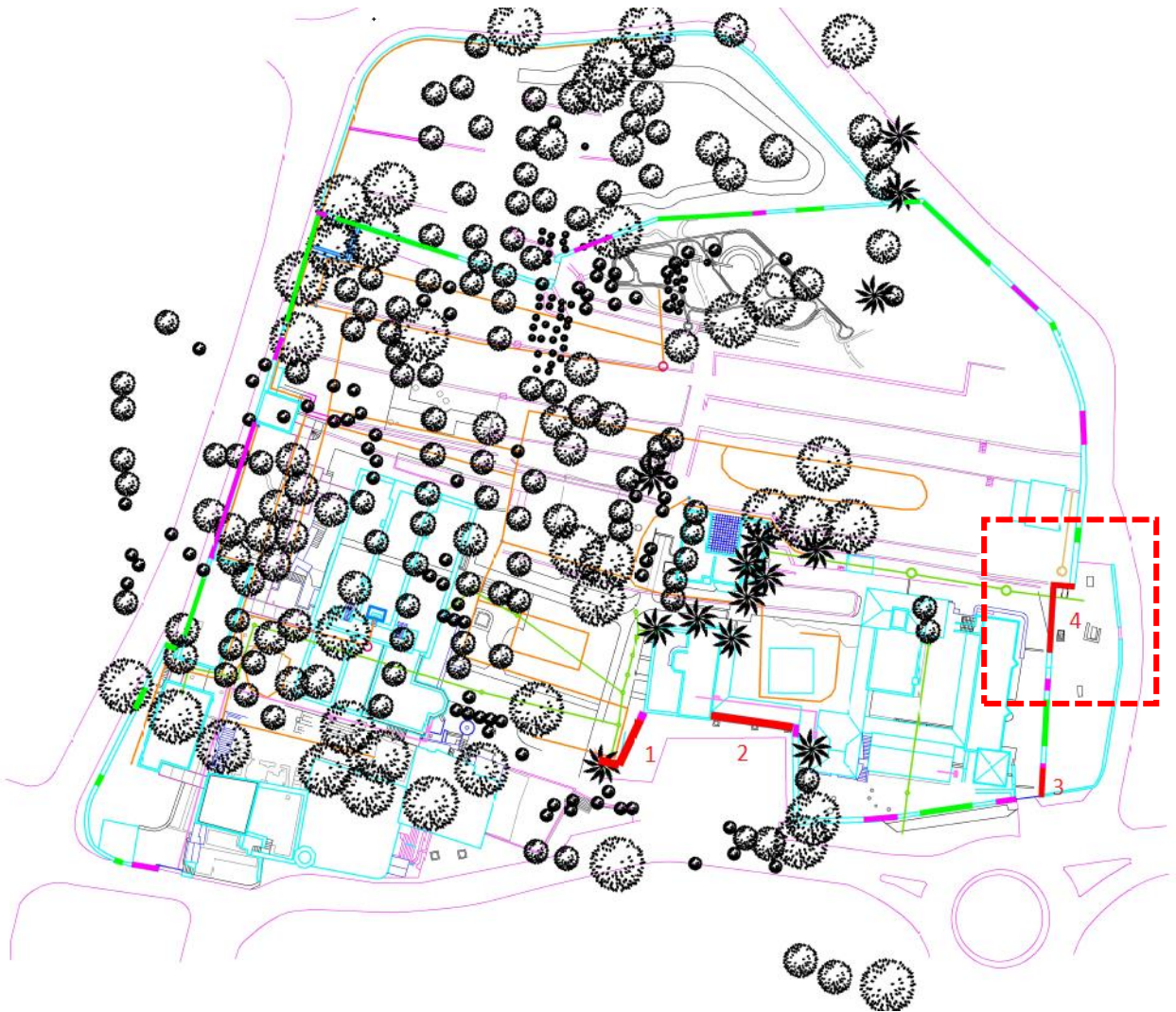
Tender documents must be sent to the two addresses mentioned above (if less than 7GB, by email; if more than 7GB, via FranceTransfert:  
<https://francetransfert.numerique.gouv.fr/upload>, operating similarly to WeTransfer).

## 11. Appendix

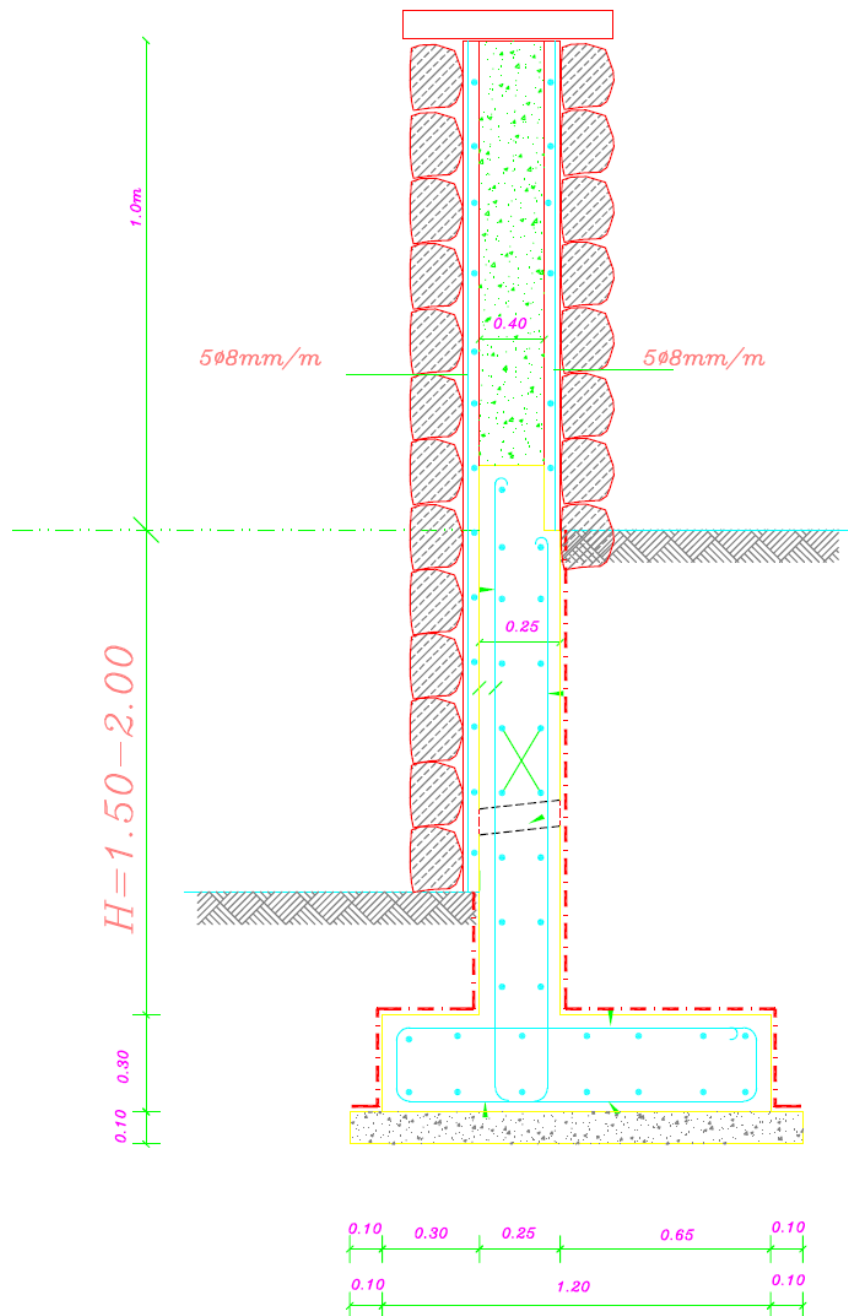
### 11.1 Image of the wall:



## 11.2 Plan of the wall (SECTION 4):



### 11.3 Proposal for technical details:



## RETAINING-WALL

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