JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE
(Simplified Procedures - MPT to ≤ SAT)

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The supplies or services described herein are being solicited on a sole source basis and competition is precluded in accordance with FAR 12.102(a) for reasons indicated below. There are no substitutes available for the supplies or services.

Restricted to the following source.

☒ **Service:**

Contractor:	University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Cage Code:	5E688

☐ **Supply:**

Original Manufacturer Name:	
Contractor (if diff from above):	
Cage Code:	

Description of the supplies or services required, the estimated price/cost, and required delivery date or period of performance.

This requirement is for three (3) Captains to attend the High-Performance Leadership executive education program at The University of Chicago Booth School of Business from July 20, 2026 to July 24, 2026.

The Executive Education Program is designed to prepare advancing leaders by sending them to one of the premier business schools in America for education in classes filled with leaders of both the government and civilian sectors, commonly including senior executives from Fortune 500 companies. From the navy only Captains and Captain Selects who are likely to advance from commanding departments of 30-50 to echelon 3 commands such as FLCs or ACOMs with hundreds of employees are sent to attend. The purpose of sending Captains and Captain Selects to the EDP is to put leaders in an environment where they are exposed to different viewpoints and ideas so that they may bring best practices of the business world to the DON. Keeping up to date on the best practices and educating leaders via the Executive Education Program is vital to the success of the DON's mission.

The estimated price of this acquisition is [redacted] total, [redacted] per student.

In conclusion, the requested supplies or services represent the minimum requirements of the government.

Describe in detail why only this source(s) can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

As the executive education programs are run and scheduled by the schools, the DON has little to no input on when and where they occur. Captains are provided with a list of EDP training opportunities so that they may select the session which meets their needs regarding factors including location and schedule. These Captains, who, as Captains, are among the busiest people in the organization, selected the session at Chicago Booth School of Business as the session that meets their needs. No other program or session is acceptable.