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## **The Supply and Maintenance of Mobile Freight Scanning Equipment - PIN**

Secretary of State for the Home Department

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Secretary of State for the Home Department

London

SW1P 4DF

#### **Contact**

Detection Technology Equipment Procurement Team

#### **Email**

[Detectiontechnologyprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:Detectiontechnologyprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

The Supply and Maintenance of Mobile Freight Scanning Equipment - PIN

Reference number

C18766

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38582000 - X-ray inspection equipment

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Border Force (BF) secures the border and promotes national prosperity by facilitating the legitimate movement of individuals and goods, whilst preventing those that would cause harm from entering the UK. BF Officers do this by examining freight and passenger services in a range of environments that include but not limited to; freight consignments (maritime & rail), Roll-on Roll-off (RoRo) & Load-on, Load (LoLo) vehicles, trailers and motorbikes. X-Ray scanners are used as a method of examination without having to physically open and examine vehicles and enables ports to operate efficiently without interrupting traffic flow.

Border Force is looking to procure a commercial, off-the-shelf (COTS) capability for mobile freight scanners across the UK. The proposed contract will include all service & maintenance for the lifetime of the product(s).

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38582000 - X-ray inspection equipment

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

To support BF in the examination process as efficiently and effectively as possible there is a requirement for Commercial Off The-Shelf (COTS) mobile freight x-ray scanners:

- The technology must be able to indicate the presence of contraband concealed within the load space of commercial freight by providing a clear on-screen image and be capable of storing images & information captured
- The technology must operate at a speed that enables port fluidity to be maintained
- The technology must provide a reliable system that can operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
- The technology must be compliant with the Ionising Radiation Regulations 2017 (IRR17) and all other UK legal requirements/standards.
- Equipment must have Wi-Fi connectivity
- The host vehicle for the mobile scanner shall be based on a commercially available road vehicle that meets all UK road worthiness requirements
- The technology must be able to scan both static and moving freight
- Suppliers will be required to provide evidence of their equipment's performance of detecting various contraband including, but not exclusive to cigarettes, alcohol, drugs (all packing options), weapons.

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

5 April 2023

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

BF require a supplier who can provide this as a commercial system to meet an aspirational order for 24/25FY.

Suppliers who are able to offer a solution and provide the required goods and services are requested to send an expression of interest to Detection Technology Equipment Procurement Team at [Detectiontechnologyprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:Detectiontechnologyprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk). Following expressions of interest suppliers will be given access to the event on the Authority's eSourcing portal, where they will be issued with a Non-Disclosure Agreement, to be signed and returned to the Authority, via the eSourcing portal. Once received the supplier questionnaire will be made available for completion. This is currently planned to take place during January/February 2023. The closing date for expressions of interest is 12:00 on Monday 16th January 2023.

The deadline for completed supplier questionnaires will be 1st February 2023.

Suppliers will need to register in the first instance on the Authority's eSourcing portal -<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Once registration has been completed suppliers who have expressed an interest will be given access to the event.