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## **HORN in Service Support VTN**

Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Special Projects SCM (SPSCM)

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

HORN in Service Support VTN

Reference number

707039441

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

This contract is for the in service support to the current fleet of HORN IED detectors currently in service. The contract includes core support, Repairs / Ad Hoc Tasking.

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £1,070,084

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ26 - East Surrey

Main site or place of performance

East Surrey

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

This contract is for the in service support to HORN IED detectors. This contract comprises of core support including GFE storage, obsolescence management, repairs , Ad Hoc tasking & provision of spares. The Cyber risk profile for this procurement is considered Low.

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

there will be two option years on the contract to continue support till January 2027.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Specialist Explosive Ordinance Disposal & Search, Exploitation & Countermeasures (SEEC) Project Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract to Cobham Aerospace Connectivity for up to 7 years for in service support of HORN, which is a handheld metal detector. It is considered that this contract can be awarded to Cobham Aerospace Connectivity using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to (Regulations 16(1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011), for technical reasons. This is because Cobham Aerospace Connectivity is the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of HORN and is the only supplier to have access to the required equipment for calibration, performance verification, diagnostics and fault code clearing for these devices. In addition, Cobham Aerospace Connectivity have specialist and in-depth knowledge of the functioning of the HORN fleet enabling more effective technical support and are the owners of detailed configuration management documents that would not be accessible to new contractors. Cobham Aerospace Connectivity, as the OEM, are the only company with specialist knowledge of HORN, any other company would have to reverse-engineer the detector to understand its make-up and perform extensive testing and trials in order to ensure that the risk to users from safety critical parts remains as low as is reasonably practicable. As such, Cobham Aerospace Connectivity are the only supplier able to carry out repairs and in-service support due to the tools and expertise required

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

701039411

### **Title**

HORN In Service Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

18 January 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Cobham Aerospace Connectivity

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,070,084

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the [Gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications) website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

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### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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