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Contract

Trade Law Panel

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service (CCS)

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-002904

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Trade Law Panel

Reference number

RM6183

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) put in place a Framework Contract for the provision of specialist legal services for International Trade Law, to be utilised by UK Central Government Departments and associated bodies (Buyers) identified at VI.3.

This Framework was recommended vehicle for all International Trade Law Services required by Buyers. Its purpose was to complement existing government legal frameworks and specifically assist with international trade disputes and negotiations.

The Framework is established for 4 years and comprises of:

Lot 1 (International Trade and Disputes)

Lot 2 (International Trade and Negotiations)

The appointed Suppliers will provide legal services in respect of all the Mandatory Specialisms detailed in the Specification and Optional Specialisms (if qualified to do so). Suppliers will provide services relating to domestic law of different jurisdictions. The full Specification is set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification).

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

1 February 2021

End date

30 January 2025

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

RM6183

Lot No

Lot 1 & Lot 2

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

15 January 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

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Liverpool

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £115,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

Liverpool

Telephone

+44 3454102222

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

1 February 2021

End date

30 October 2025

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£115,000,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

RM6183 agreement will be extended.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

The RM6183 agreement will be extended under regulation 72 until 30th October 2025. This is to align the Framework end date with RM6179 and RM6204 as the intention is to combine these three agreements under one panel for the next procurement.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptions and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £115,000,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £115,000,000