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Award

Access to Healthcare in the Democratic Republic of Congo (Appui au Systeme de Sante en RDC-ASSR)

FOREIGN, COMMONWEALTH & DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office/about/procurement>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

International Development

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Access to Healthcare in the Democratic Republic of Congo (Appui au Systeme de Sante en RDC-ASSR)

Reference number

8510

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a 6 month extension to the Access to Healthcare programme in DRC that will continue to focus on improving maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health by addressing key health issues such as nutrition, family planning, maternal care and prevention and management of childhood illness (including malaria). It will support the delivery of basic health services giving an estimated 9 700 000 people improved access to healthcare - provide a facility for FCDO to support preparedness and response work for health emergencies with a focus on global health security and disease outbreaks.

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: £7,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- CD - Congo (Democratic Republic)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Contract Amendment 4 - This further 6 month extension until 25 April 2022, will enable FCDO to continue support for frontline primary health services and minimise the gap between the Access to Healthcare in the DRC Programme concluding and the long term delivery intervention being arranged. This will be the final contract amendment and no further extensions will be permitted.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Contract Amendment 1 - This amendment was issued as a result of unforeseen circumstances posed by the Covid 19 Pandemic. The additional 3,000,000 GBP funding was required to provide an immediate response to the Covid outbreak as well as further preparedness within the districts covered by the Programme.

Contract Amendment 2 dated 24/09/2020 extended the contract term by 2 months at no additional cost until 30 November 2020 to allow sufficient time to finalise the requirements for CA 3.

Contract Amendment 3 extended the end date of the contract to 25 October 2021 and added 8,000,000 GBP to the financial limit. This additional funding was required to continue provision of primary health care at this critical time until a planned long term intervention entered service delivery. Unfortunately due to the continuation of the Pandemic and other factors out with FCDO's control, further delays ensued. Consequently a further final 6 month extension is required.

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:

This is a 6-month extension to the Access to Healthcare in the Democratic Republic of Congo Contract. Extending the contract has been assessed as the best value for money option to ensure Access to Healthcare in the Democratic Republic of Congo continuity. Going to market has been assessed as unfavourable due to the following:

- Risk of limited private health sector supplier market in the DRC alongside with a high start-up costs and short term of contract to re-coup costs of competition and providing the service
- Risk of potential disruption to essential health care service in DRC (heightened impact with home working staff)
- Loss of knowledge / expertise in current health care service in DRC
- Internal resource implications to work with new supplier and maintain existing levels of support alongside migration project

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2019/S 046-105970](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

8510

Title

Access to Healthcare in the Democratic Republic of Congo (Appui au Systeme de Sante en RDC-ASSR)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 March 2019

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

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Washington

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £7,000,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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