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## **Provision of ORACLE Licences and Support**

Ministry of Defence, Defence Digital

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

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

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#### **NUTS code**

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#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk>

#### **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**

Provision of ORACLE Licences and Support

Reference number

ISSASDT/0001

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

- 72261000 - Software support services

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

Services

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

Single source for the provision of Software licenses for Payroll and Expenses Software as a Service

##### **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: £2,020,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

Single Source under Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons

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

Options: No

#### **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**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Cloud Payroll and Expenses Project Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, (“the Authority”), intends to award a contract to Oracle Corporation UK LTD (“Oracle”) for up to 38.52 months to acquire software licences for Payroll and Expenses Software as a Service (SaaS) with an estimated value of £2,020,00.00. It is considered that this contract can be awarded to Oracle using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons.

This is because Oracle is the only Government Shared Services supported Tier One vendor for Payroll and Expense services which readily meets the Defence Security

Accreditors (JSP 440) security requirements for the system and supporting infrastructure. In particular, given this requires the system and all supporting infrastructure must be hosted and controlled in the UK, all Data must be hosted, processed, stored, archived and controlled within the UK, all support to the system must be provided from within the United Kingdom and all staff need to be SC cleared UK nationals living in the UK.

In addition, Oracle is the only Tier One vendor for HR, Payroll and Expenses SaaS solutions which has an existing single dedicated secure technical network between Defence Core Infrastructure their data centres which meets the Defence Security requirements.

Further to this the Authority already licences Cloud SaaS from Oracle for 11 modules including, Core HR, Talent & Performance, Absence, Digital Assistant, Learning, Project and HR Helpdesk. Accordingly, Oracle is the only company able to meet Authority's requirement to have unified process in this area which provides greater scope for automation, improve scalability and usability of information, aligned with Government IT strategy.

#### **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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

17 March 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**

Oracle Corporation UK Limited

Thames Valley Park

Reading

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

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: £2,020,000

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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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.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence, Defence Digital, Dynamic Software Enterprise Team

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