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## **The Provision of the Load Effects Assessment Program (L.E.A.P)**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-029e98

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

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

Ministry of Defence

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

Main address

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

The Provision of the Load Effects Assessment Program (L.E.A.P)

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

- 51121000 - Installation services of fitness equipment

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

Services

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

The Army and MOD requires a system to scientifically test, assess and evaluate load carriage equipment and HFI for new, emerging and current equipment capabilities within the DCC and Light Forces domain. This is vital to successful future capability procurement, ensuring systems are useable by soldiers who are able to perform all tasks without undue hinderance caused by their equipment.

##### **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: 613,000 GIP

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

The requirement is to deliver a new capability to test, assess and evaluate load carriage equipment and HFI for new, emerging and current equipment capabilities.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

phase 1 is for £159k. phases 2 and 3 will be placed as options and will be taken up if funding is available.

#### **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 procedure without publication of a contract notice

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- 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 Ministry of Defence intends to award a contract for

The Provision of the Load Effects Assessment Program (L.E.A.P) to Human Systems Incorporated using the negotiated procedure without the prior publication of a contract notice under Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (SI 1848) (Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC). This is on the basis that for technical reasons the Contract may be awarded only to the Supplier.

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to (Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations (DSPCR of 2011) for the following technical reasons:

- HSI are the only economic entity with the expertise to undertake this requirement and the only entity that has the required NATO accreditation.
- UKMOD considers that it would be technically impractical for another entity to develop an equivalent system and achieve NATO accreditation within the timescales 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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

23 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**

HUMAN SYSTEMS INCORPORATED

ONTARIO

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - SOUTH EAST (ENGLAND)

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: 613,000 GIP

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

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom