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## **VTN for Provision of HUSLE and Cargo Nets and Associated Support**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02ae23

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

[Zachary.Ward102@mod.gov.uk](mailto:Zachary.Ward102@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

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

Main address

[www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.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**

VTN for Provision of HUSLE and Cargo Nets and Associated Support

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

- 34741000 - Aircraft equipment

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

Supplies

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

VTN for Provision of Helicopter Underslung Load Equipment (HUSLE) and Cargo Nets and Associated Support including Post Design Services.

##### **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: £25,000,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

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

Provision of Helicopter Underslung Load Equipment (HUSLE) and Cargo Nets and Associated Support including Post Design Service.

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

Criterion: Amsafe Bridport NAPNOC

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

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior 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 Air Commodities Delivery Team (ACDT), part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MoD), intends to place a new 7 year Contract with Amsafe Birdport Ltd (Amsafe) for post design services and technical support to the MoD's existing requirement of Cargo Nets/Helicopter Underslung Load Equipment from 1st January 2022. The estimated Contract value is £25M.

It is considered that this Contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC (Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations (DSPCR) of 2011). This is due to the technical impracticality for another economic operator to undertake the work required within this contract. Only Amsafe hold manufacturing information and technical expertise necessary to provide the required services. In addition, no other supplier will be able to provide said services within the timescales required and meet the MoD's MAA standards. To contract with another supplier would create an unacceptable safety risk for the MOD.

#### 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**

5 May 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**

Amsafe Bridport Limited

Bridport

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK25 - Dorset

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: £25,000,000

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

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Air Commodities Delivery Team

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom