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Contract

Science and Technology Oriented Research and development in Missile defence (STORM)

Ministry of Defence

F18: Contract award notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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For the attention of

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Country

United Kingdom

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract

Science and Technology Oriented Research and development in Missile defence (STORM)

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

II.1.3) Information on framework agreement

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

1 Since the first V2 attack on London in 1944 ballistic missiles have posed a near constant threat to the UK, its overseas interests, and forces. Adversaries continue to invest in and proliferate increasingly advanced ballistic and manoeuvrable threat systems to challenge our freedom of action.

2 The UK Missile Defence Centre (MDC), a unique government-industry partnership within MOD Head Office, is responsible for all UK missile defence Research & Development (R&D). The MDC was established as a government-industry partnership to provide support to decision makers on all aspects of Missile Defence and to provide a pipeline of funding to sustain SQEP in relevant UK industry sectors. Through continuing implementation of the 2020 MOD Science & Technology (S&T) Strategy, the Missile Defence R&D category must sustain, exploit, and develop UK industrial and academic expertise to continue to develop next generation and generation after next technologies applicable to Integrated Air and Missile Defence.

3 The Missile Defence R&D Category Strategy, approved in May 2023, recommended creation of a new route to market bringing together core research and technology maturation projects into a single contract, enhancing research outcomes and supply chain

efficiency. The contract shall manage delivery of research covering all activities to counter ballistic missiles and advanced threats including but not limited to simple non-separating threats, complex separating threats, Manoeuvring Re-Entry Vehicles (MaRVs) and Multiple Independently Targetable Re-Entry Vehicles (MIRVs), Hypersonic Glide Vehicles (HGVs), Hypersonic Cruise Missiles (HCM) and hybrid threats which share characteristics with BM, HGV and/or HCM. The research required will cover analysis, experimentation, trials and technology/system development across all pillars of missile defence:

- Counter-proliferation - measures to minimise the spread of missile technology,
- Deterrence - measures to discourage the use of threat missiles,
- Counterforce - measures to reduce the quantity of missiles and supporting equipment / facilities available to an aggressor during a conflict,
- Active defence - measures to detect, track, intercept and disable/destroy missiles in flight,
- Passive defence - measures to mitigate and recover from the effects of threat missiles impacting on their target.

4 The Contractor will be required to work in close co-ordination with the MDC to design and manage a contract pipeline to deliver the Missile Defence R&D category's research requirements. The pipeline will need to permit large, multi-year research technology maturation projects, multinational and multi-supplier trials, as well as short-term rapid analysis and short-notice access to subject matter expertise to contribute to the rapid provision of advice to decision makers across UK Government. It is envisaged that this will be best delivered with a coordination function co-located with the Missile Defence Centre in Farnborough.

II.1.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 73410000 - Military research and technology

II.2) Total final value of contract(s)

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Value: £251,000,000

Section IV: Procedure

Type of procedure

Negotiated with publication of a contract notice

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

Notice number: [2024/S 000-020362](#) of 3 July 2024

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No

708451450

V.1) Date of contract award decision

7 March 2025

V.2) Information about offers

Number of offers received

1

Number of offers received by electronic means

1

V.3) Name and address of economic operator in favour of whom the contract award decision has been taken

Roke Manor Research Limited

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Country

United Kingdom

V.4) Information on value of contract

Total final value of the contract

Value: £251,000,000

V.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be sub-contracted: Yes

Value or proportion of the contract likely to be sub-contracted to third parties:

Not known