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NSAF Supply Repair and Support 707627450

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

NSAF Supply Repair and Support 707627450

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35300000 - Weapons, ammunition and associated parts

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Dismounted Close Combat Team (Soldier Training and Special Programmes- UK MOD) intends to place an enabling framework contract with NSAF Limited (Heckler & Koch UK & H&K GmbH) for the provision of support services in respect of the in-service fleet of H&K weapons .

The contract will be for a 5-year period and will include the provision of a technical support service and the procurement of additional in-service equipment if required

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: £4,700,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This enabling contract will provide a combination of support, supply, repair and will ensure the UK Armed Forces Commands can meet their enduring and future capability needs. This contract will include the provision of a technical support service and enable the procurement of additional in-service equipment, if required.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

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:

In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16 (1) (a) ii of the Defence Security and Public Contract Regulations 2011 for technical and safety reasons. This is because NSAF who are the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of and the Design Authority (DA) for, all current in service equipment are the only provider who hold the skills, specific experience, technical data and tools needed to fulfil the requirement which involves new testing, new verification and validation ensuring safe implementation and interoperability. To introduce new non NSAF/H&K products into the supply chain and inventory would bring in disproportionate costs, time and technical difficulties to UK MOD. The increased level of risk surrounding technical publication and documentation, as well as managing a multi supplier fleet whilst ensuring the safety suitability fit form and function of the products already in service would have a disproportionate impact on the time and cost to the UK MOD.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

707627450

Title

NSAF Supply Repair and Support Contract-707627450

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 June 2023

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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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: £4,700,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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