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Award

504000

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03e17f

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

High Wycombe

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.contracts.co.uk

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

504000

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72268000 - Software supply services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Network Electronic Warfare Training Simulators (NEWTS)

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £504,000 / Highest offer: £504,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Network Electronic Warfare Training Simulators (NEWTS)

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The UK Ministry of Defence (“The Authority”) intends to award a contract with MASS Consultancy UK (“the Contractor”) for software to maintain the existing simulation package for Network Electronic Warfare Training Simulators (NEWTS) at a value of £504,000.00. NEWTS trains and educates Aeronautical Engineering (AE), Electronic and Mechanical Engineering (EME), Nuclear and Marine Engineering (MarE) and Communication Information systems (CIS) personnel in order to meet Defence requirements.

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 (in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16 (1)(a)(ii) on the grounds of technical reasons.

The Authority does not currently have access to technical documentation and knowhow which would allow a new supplier to deliver the requirement, addressing the interdependencies and managing the risks to operational safety. A new model could increase the risk of technical incompatibility, reduced quality, operational ineffectiveness and would increase the resource and training burden.

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

706883452

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 July 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

Mass Consultants Ltd

Cambridgeshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £504,000 / Highest offer: £504,000 taken into consideration

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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