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# Provision of Spares and Post Design Services for Headsets

Ministry of Defence

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

# I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

Region code

**UK - United Kingdom** 

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/defence-electronics-and-components-agency

# 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

Provision of Spares and Post Design Services for Headsets

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 35642000 - Electronic and electrical spare parts for military aerospace equipment

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

Provision of spares and post design services for headsets continuing on from 700100314

## 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: £2,160,000

# II.2) Description

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement

ACDECA/021 Provision of Spares and Post Design Services for Headsets

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

# II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

One option year to be considered 6 months prior to contract end. Option year estimated priced

# 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

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to restricted procedure
- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development

#### **Explanation:**

The Defence Electronics & Components Agency (DECA), part of the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract with Racal Acoustics Limited for the purchase of spares to repair the headsets and provision of Spares Support and Post Design Services for a period of 2 years with the option of 1 priced option year. The estimated total contract value is £2.5M (VAT inc) for a period of 2 years with 1 priced option year.

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 (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 for technical reasons. It is believed that the services to be provided under the contract can only be supplied by the Contractor, and that therefore, competition is absent.

Racal Acoustics Limited are the only economic operator that has the technical expertise to manufacture and supply the spares to repair the headsets. Racal headsets are currently used in service, covering various platforms, each platform requires the headsets to be MAA certified for safety reasons and must be repaired and maintained with official Racal parts to conform to the certification requirements.

#### 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**

70843950 - ACDECA/021

#### **Title**

70843950 - ACDECA/021 Provision of Spares and Post Design Services for Headsets

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

# V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 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

Racal Acoustics Ltd

Hailsham. United Kingdom

Hailsham. United Kingdom

HA1 4TR

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

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: £2,160,000

# V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

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# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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**United Kingdom**