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# The Provision of HUSLE and Cargo Nets including PDS Support - F15 VTN

Ministry of Defence

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence

## 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

The Provision of HUSLE and Cargo Nets including PDS Support - F15 VTN

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 39541200 - Textile nets

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Provision of HUSLE and Cargo Nets including PDS Support

#### 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: £12,000,000

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34741000 Aircraft equipment
- 35611400 Military transport aircrafts
- 35641000 Structure and mechanical spare parts for military aerospace equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Provision of Helicopter Under Slung Load Equipment (HUSLE) and Cargo Nets including PDS Support for the British Armed Forces.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

1 \* 12 month option included

#### 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 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:
  - o protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### Explanation:

The Air Commodities Delivery Team (ACDT), part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MoD), intends to place a new Contract with Amsafe Birdport Ltd (Amsafe) to satisfy short term customer requirements for the procurement of and support of Cargo Nets/Helicopter Underslung Load Equipment from 1st September 2022. The estimated Contract value is £15M - £20M which will support multiple platforms including but not limited to: C17, A400M Chinook, Merlin and Wildcat.

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 and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for Technical Reasons. This is due to the technical impracticality for another economic operator to undertake the work required in order to meet MoD timescales and at the required MAA air worthiness standards for example RA 5850. Only Amsafe hold the manufacturing information and current technical expertise necessary to provide the required services.

To contract with another supplier would currently create an unacceptable safety risk for the MOD. The MoD is currently formulating its longer term strategy and will look to engage with the market to explore potential options for a future competition.

#### 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**

701555457

#### **Title**

Supply of Cargo Restraint Nets (HUSLE) and PDS Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 August 2022

#### 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 Ltd

**Bridport** 

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: £12,000,000

#### 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

Air Commodities Delivery Team (ACDT)

Stoke Gifford

Country

United Kingdom