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Provision of Broadband to British Forces Gibraltar

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKZZZ - Extra-Regio NUTS 3

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

Provision of Broadband to British Forces Gibraltar

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72400000 - Internet services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of broadband to various MoD sites within Gibraltar. To be compatible with internal infrastructure, copper wiring must be provided to the estate.

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: £355,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKZZZ - Extra-Regio NUTS 3

Main site or place of performance

Gibraltar

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Provision of broadband to British Forces Gibraltar

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: N/A / Weighting: N/A

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 1 year options.

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 without a prior call for competition

- 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:

British Forces Gibraltar, part of the Ministry of Defence, intends to enter into a contract with Gibtelecom for the provision of broadband. The contract will be for 3 years with a further 2 x 1 year options and have a total potential value of £355k.

In accordance with the provisions of The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 SI No. 2020/1319, this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as amended (in particular by SI 2020/1319). 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 in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 32(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

This is because the Authority requires supply to the MOD estates within Gibraltar by copper broadband lines/cables to be compatible with existing on-site infrastructure. Market research has been conducted and concluded only one supplier is able to provide this within Gibraltar and therefore the Authority has concluded that Gibtelecom is the only economic operator to achieve the required performance.

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

708899450

Title

Provision of Broadband to British Forces Gibraltar

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 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

Gibtelecom Ltd

Gibraltar

Country

Gibraltar

NUTS code

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £355,000 / Highest offer: £355,000 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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