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Award

Overseas Territories Legal Services

Maritime and Coastguard Agency

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Scope

Reference

TCA 3/7/1807

Description

This requirement enables the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund (CSSF) programme to secure legal advice and drafting of national maritime legislation for the UKs Overseas Territories (OTs) to ensure compliance with, and implementation of, International Maritime Obligations and its Conventions.

Contract 1. Conflict, Stability and Security Fund Programme -Overseas Territories Legal Services

Supplier

<u>Knightwood Legal</u>

Contract value

- £137,200 excluding VAT
- £164,640 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

2 June 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 6 June 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 9 months, 25 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 79100000 - Legal services

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

This provision is required to secure legal advice and drafting national legislation for the MCA's Maritime Obligations Programme to aid the UK Overseas Territories in meeting legal compliance with international obligations.

The MCA intends to use the Direct Award procedure under the Procurement Act 2023 due to the services only being supplied by a particular economic operator as competition is absent for technical reasons.

Previous procurement activity identified that Maritime legal expertise with understanding of the legislative structures of the Overseas Territories is a niche requirement and not widely available within this sector. The buying authorities understanding is that no reasonable alternative or substitute exists. Retaining the same service provider also ensures continuity and provides consistent advice as the Programme's enters its final phase.

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Maritime and Coastguard Agency

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