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Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/defence-equipment-and-support>

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

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32570000 - Communications equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

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Secretary of State for Defence (the Authority) intends to award a Contract to Thales UK Ltd

("the Contractor") for the continuation of in-service support to KRS (KMY Replacement

System aboard Type 23 Frigates and shore Establishments) until July 2024 with options to

continue to December 2024 and for the technical update of the operating system and

address other software obsolescence, and for support to the safety case for air operations.

The value of the estimated contract amendment is £4.5 million (ex VAT) including bid costs.

This notice supersedes the work on Wave Class advertised in date/ref.

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: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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:

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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 (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) of

the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons.

This is on the basis that the Authority has insufficient rights to pass the necessary data and

information to undertake the requirement to third parties and that only the Contractor as

Original Equipment Design Authority has the accumulated technical knowledge, expertise

and know-how at its disposal required to provide the requirement in particular in relation to

the full system design, build and integration. This includes the intimate knowledge and

understanding of the existing equipment used across the fleet. Furthermore, only the

Contractor can

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

700009662

Title

KRS communications management system

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 August 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

Thales UK Ltd

Reading

RG2 6GF

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: £4,500,000

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

KRS communications management system

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom