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Planning **Procurement of Canine Support Support Solution**

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Procurement of Canine Support Support Solution

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 03140000 - Animal products and related products

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The DE&S Specialist EOD&S, Exploitation and Countermeasures (SEEC) Delivery Team (DT) intends to competitively assess, select, and award a prime contract to provide an online catalogue providing support, training, and welfare equipment for Military Working Dogs (MWD). The catalogue of products includes a diverse range of equipment, including but not limited to; dog waste bags, leads, and harnesses, through to made to measure dog handler bite suits, specialist training aids and agility equipment.

All items supplied are to be of a suitable standard and quality that enables the Authority to continue to meet the five dog welfare needs listed in the Animal Welfare Act 2006 (legislation.gov.uk) and detailed in the DEFRA Code of practice for the welfare of dogs (publishing.service.gov.uk) DEFRA 2017.

Throughout the life of the contract the Authority may request that items are added or removed from the catalogue due to evolving nature of the requirement. Full details shall be included at the Contract Notice and Invitation to Tender phase of the competition.

The Cyber Risk Level for this procurement is Very Low. The Risk Assessment Reference (RAR) is RAR-161623104.

A full description of the Cyber Risk levels is available in DEFSTAN 05-138. Potential providers should make themselves familiar with the requirement against the profile assessment for this risk level.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,100,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 03000000 Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products
- 39162200 Training aids and devices
- 80512000 Dog training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Anticipated Date of Contract Award July 2024

Duration of the contract will be 5 years, plus the Option to extend the contract by a further 2 years.

The estimated overall contract value for the full contract term of 7 years is £3.1 million (excluding VAT)

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 February 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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If you have any questions with regards to this requirement, please contact Bruce Bawden on Bruce.Bawden101@mod.gov.uk

You must not take this announcement to mean confirmation that MOD shall award a contract for this requirement. The MOD is publishing this announcement without any commitment to issue a tender or place a contract. Accordingly, any expenditure, work or effort undertaken before contract award is a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers.