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## **CHC/647 - Procurement of a TIESE (Troop Insertion and Extraction System Equipment) Support Contract for Chinook**

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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[Simran.gill122@mod.gov.uk](mailto:Simran.gill122@mod.gov.uk)

#### **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

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### **Section II: Object**

#### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.1.1) Title**

CHC/647 - Procurement of a TIESE (Troop Insertion and Extraction System Equipment) Support Contract for Chinook

##### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 35000000 - Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment

##### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

##### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Secretary of State for Defence (the 'Authority') intends to enter into a contract with IrvingGQ Ltd ("IrvingGQ") for the provision of Engineering Support, Technical Documents, Repairs and Spares in respect of its existing Chinook Helicopter Troop Insertion & Extraction System Equipment (TIESE). The proposed contract term is 3 years and the contract value is estimated to be £0.41M.

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 (in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 due to technical reasons.

IrvingGQ are the original equipment manufacturers and Design Authority of the TIESE fitted on the UK Chinook aircraft. As such, the In Service support of the TIESE (including the provision of repairs and spares) together with the related Project Management, can only be carried out by IrvingGQ as IrvingGQ exclusively holds the relevant skills, technical data, proprietary information (including drawing and design information) and know-how that is needed to meet the requirement. IrvingGQ previously confirmed that it is not prepared to share or license the use of that proprietary information outside of the Company and the UK Ministry of Defence does not have a right to obtain the necessary documentation from IrvingGQ. The aforementioned skills, technical data, drawing and design information are necessary for the performance of the requirement. Furthermore, only IrvingGQ holds the level of certification (under the Authority's Design Approved Organisation (DAOS) and Maintenance Approved Organisation (MAOS) Schemes) necessary to carry out the activities that are required in order to meet the Military Aviation Authority's Regulatory Articles applicable to TIESE. It is not possible for another company to obtain the relevant level of certification without access to the skills, knowledge and technical information that only IrvingGQ hold.

#### **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: £413,100

### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated procedure without 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:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

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

17 December 2021

#### **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**

Irving GQ

Bridgend

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £410,000

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

