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## **Terrier - Lockout Suspension Units**

Ministry of Defence

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Ministry of Defence

MoD Abbey Wood, Filton

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Email**

[aaronn.irwin109@mod.gov.uk](mailto:aaronn.irwin109@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region 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**

Terrier - Lockout Suspension Units

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

- 73423000 - Development of military vehicles

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

Services

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

the purchase of ten pairs of Terrier Suspension units [NATO Stock Numbers: NSN 2510-99-598-6927 and NSN 2510-99-497-2591]

##### **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: £1,000,000

#### **II.2) Description**

##### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

the purchase of ten pairs of Terrier Suspension units [NATO Stock Numbers: NSN 2510-99-598-6927 and NSN 2510-99-497-2591]

#### **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**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The contract has its object services listed in Annex II B

Explanation:

The Vehicle Support Team("VS"), part of the UK Ministry of Defence ("MOD"), intends to award a new (2 year) contract to Horstman Defence Systems Ltd ("Horstman") for the purchase of ten pairs of Terrier Suspension units [NATO Stock Numbers: NSN 2510-99-598-6927 and NSN 2510-99-497-2591], to be used as additional spare stock items for the existing Terrier tractor fleet.

It is considered that this contract can be awarded using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in accordance with Article 28(3)(a) of Directive 2009/81/EC (Regulation 16(1)(b)(i)(aa) and (bb) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011) as a change of supplier would oblige the MoD to acquire

additional suspension units having different technical characteristics which would result in incompatibility and disproportionate technical difficulties in operation and maintenance.

The Terrier Armoured Engineer Tractor (AET) Horstman Suspension units is specifically configured for the TERRIER Armoured Engineer Tractor (AET) hull and military operational environment end use. As Horstman are the Original Equipment Designer and Manufacturer of the Terrier Suspension units, this order will maintain the existing operational fleet and maintain configuration of the whole Terrier fleet. The Terrier suspension units need to meet complex and unique design requirements due to the specialist nature of the Terrier platform. Commonality of replacement parts is required across the fleet to ensure operational effectiveness. To introduce new 3rd party supplier suspension units would require a lengthy trial and testing process at significant and disproportionate time and cost. In addition, Terrier is a highly automated vehicle and these suspension units will also need to fully integrate with this automated system. A change of supplier for these spare suspension units would result in technical incompatibility and integration issues with this automated system along with associated safety impacts. Further, a mixed stock of both spare Horstman and 3rd party supplier suspension units would result in technical difficulties in the operation and maintenance of the Terrier fleet, as it would effectively create a mixed fleet of Mk1 and 2 versions of the platform.

#### **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**

### **Contract No**

701574415

### **Title**

Terrier - Lockout Suspension Units

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

22 November 2022

#### **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**

Horstman Defence Systems Limited,

Locksbrook Road, Bath BA1 3EX,

Bath

BA13EX

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)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,000,000

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**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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