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Award

DSCOMCB2255 Provision of Interim Strategic Sealift

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0387da

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Email

UKStratCom-DefSp-DSCOMSSLI@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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DSCOMCB2255 Provision of Interim Strategic Sealift

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60640000 - Shipping operations

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Strategic Sealift provides UK Ministry of Defence (MOD) with a capability to deploy cargo overseas from the UK in support of the UK's standing commitments and contingent operations. The current Sealift contract expires on 31 December 2024. A new project has been initiated by UK MOD, with the aim to provide a new contract for an interim period of minimum 7 years, to an updated user requirement. This is a VTN outlining the Authority's route to market.

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: £625,000,000

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: Yes

Description of options

Three (3) x One (1) Year options

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:

In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit)

Regulations 2019 (SI No.2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the

Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (DSPCR 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 this contract can be placed using the

negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service

(as required by the relevant legislation) and is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the

DSPCR (2011) for technical reasons as Foreland Shipping Limited ("FSL") is the only economic

operator that has vessels holding the required technical capability and capacity to support the

MOD's Key User Requirements (KUR) detailed in a PIN published on Contracts Finder

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b135632b-3f9f-44d9-b7c5-9d0727cee0fc>.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 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

Foreland Shipping Limited

London

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: £625,000,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Supporting notices can be found here:

Defence Sourcing Portal -

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/toolkit/notice/showNationalData.do?noticeId=1149514#fh>

Contracts Finder -

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/9954ef42-0aba-4839-8e52-09e5e0d62b84?origin=SearchResults&p=1>

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom