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# Procurement and In Service Support lightweight x-ray capability

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Bristol

#### **Email**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.des.mod.uk

## 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 and In Service Support lightweight x-ray capability

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33111000 - X-ray devices

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Special Explosive Ordnance Disposal and Search, Exploitation & Countermeasures (SEEC) Delivery Team, as part of the UK Ministry of Defence ("MOD"), intends to award a contract to Kirintec Limited for the In-Service Support and procurement of a lightweight x-ray capability. This contract will run for 5 years plus 2 option years at a value of £633,474.64. This value is inclusive of an initial procurement of 3 systems with the option to purchase 1 additional system per year over the duration of the contract. The Contract also includes provision of in-service support. This support is inclusive of return and repair of the systems within the fleet.

#### 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: £633,474.64

### 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

2 option years

#### 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 contract has its object services listed in Annex II B

#### Explanation:

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 this contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a) (ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011, technical reasons.

The lightweight x-ray system has been in-service with the UK Armed Forces since 2016. The Contractor - Kirintec Limited, is the sole UK distributor of the lightweight x-ray system, inclusive of parts and spares. The lightweight x-ray system, inclusive of parts and spares, is not available from any other contractor in the UK.

As sole UK distributor for lightweight x-ray, the contractor has specific technical knowledge and know-how on the operation and maintenance of the system to enable support to the equipment. Contracting with a third party to support the lightweight x-ray system would introduce an unacceptable technical and safety risk due to them not having access to the required system-specific technical knowledge, information, and parts.

Procuring alternative equipment for the UK Armed Forces to operate in parallel with lightweight x-ray would result in an unacceptable interoperability risk. The UK Armed Forces are trained in the operation of lightweight x-ray and operating two systems into service would introduce an additional training requirement and would result in an unacceptable risk to safety.

#### 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**

705524451

#### **Title**

Lightweight x-ray capability

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

# V.2) Award of contract/concession

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

15 December 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

KIRINTEC LTD

Ross on Wye

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: £633,474.64

# 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

Specialist EOD&S, Exploitation and Countermeasures Team

Bristol

Country

**United Kingdom**