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## **Post Design Services, Spares and Repairs for Legacy External Communication Outfits**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Defence Equipment and Support, Abbey Wood

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk)

**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**

Post Design Services, Spares and Repairs for Legacy External Communication Outfits

Reference number

CSA/1112

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 50660000 - Repair and maintenance services of military electronic systems

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S), Communications and Situational Awareness

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KMY, IMT and 1CLF are obsolescent products developed by, produced, maintained and supported by the Company but in order to sustain the operational capability they must be maintained until replacements are procured. The Company is the Design Authority and Original Equipment Manufacturer and is the only economic operator with the necessary technical know-how, tooling, and software/test equipment to carry out the contract.

### **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: £1,500,000

## **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: 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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This notice advises that the Authority has decided to negotiate a contract with the named supplier on a single source basis and is published for reasons of transparency only.

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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:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

**Explanation:**

In accordance with Regulation 4 of the Defence and Security Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) 2019 Regulations (SI 2019/697) this procurement is regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (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 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 for technical reasons.

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Proprietary information owned by the Company includes technical drawings and data sets which are necessary to support the Equipment to the required standard. Furthermore, the Company is the only organisation that owns the legacy test jigs and tooling required to perform diagnosis, production of spares, repairs and cannibalisation of the Equipment. The Ministry of Defence does not hold/have access to this information to enable fulfilment of this requirement by a third party. EUC and KMW equipment has additional security requirements which only the Company can meet in order to provide support to the British Royal Navy.

**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**

CSA/1112

### **Title**

Post Design Services, Spares and Repairs for legacy external communication outfits

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

20 December 2024

#### **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**

Leonardo UK Ltd

Naval C4ISR, First Avenue

Southampton

SO15 0LG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ32 - Southampton

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: £1,500,000

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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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