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|  | Date: 7 May 2024 |
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Dear Sirs,

**Single Source Invitation To Tender - Reference No. 710871451**

1. You are invited to tender for Project HVX in accordance with the attached documentation.
2. The requirement is for high-Mach/hypersonic propulsion and power system technologies research.
3. This Tender may result in a Qualifying Defence Contract subject to the provisions of the Defence Reform Act 2014 and the Single Source Contract Regulations 2014, as amended.
4. The anticipated date for the contract award decision is 17 May 2024,please note this date is indicative and may change.

Yours faithfully,

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This invitation consists of the following documentation:

· DEFFORM 47ST – Invitation To Tender. The DEFFORM 47ST is the document that sets out the key requirements that you must meet in submitting a valid Tender in advance of any negotiations. It also sets out the conditions relating to this procurement. For ease it is broken into:

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**Section A – Introduction**

**DEFFORM 47ST Definitions**

**In this ITT the following words and expressions shall have the meanings given to them below:**

A1. “The Authority” means the Secretary of State for Defence in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, acting as part of the Crown.

A2. "Compliance Regime" is a legally enforceable set of rules, procedures, physical barriers and controls that, together, act to prevent the flow of sensitive or protected information to parties to whom it may give an unfair advantage.

A3. “Conditions of Tendering” means the conditions set out in the DEFFORM 47ST that govern the procurement.

A4. "Contract Terms and Conditions” means the attached conditions including any schedules, annexes and appendices that will govern any resultant contract.

A5. “Contractor Deliverables” means the works, goods and / or the services, including packaging (and Certificates(s) of Conformity and supplied in accordance with any Quality Assurance (QA) requirements, if specified) which the contractor is required to provide under any resultant contract.

A6. “Cyber Security Model” means the model defined in DEFCON 658.

A7. "Defence Sourcing Portal" (DSP) means the electronic platform in which Tenders are submitted to the Authority.

A8. “Government Furnished Information” means information or data issued or made available to the Tenderer in connection with the Contract by or on behalf of the Authority.

A9. “Invitation to Tender” (ITT) refers to the first document that the Authority sends out to potential Tenderers that initiates a Tender response or negotiation.

A10. “ITT Documentation” means this ITT and any information in any medium or form (for example drawings, handbooks, manuals, instructions, specifications and notes of pre-tender clarification meetings), issued to you, or to which you have been granted access by the Authority, for the purposes of responding to this ITT.

A11. “ITT Material” means any other material (including patterns and samples), equipment or software, in any medium or form issued to you, or to which you have been granted access, by the Authority for the purposes of responding to this ITT.

A12. “NAPNOC” is an Authority pricing policy meaning “No Acceptable Price, No Contract”.

A13. A "Qualifying Defence Contract” (QDC) is a contract subject to Part 2 of the Defence Reform Act 2014 (DRA) and associated regulations and statutory guidance. A single source contract of £5M (ex VAT) or above is likely to be a QDC, subject to fulfilling the other criteria set out in the DRA.

A14. “Schedule of Requirements” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ means that part of the contract which identifies, either directly or by reference, the Contractor Deliverables to be supplied or carried out, the quantities involved and the price or pricing terms in relation to each Contractor Deliverable.

A15. “Single Source” means a situation where the Authority has invited a response from only one Tenderer.

A16. The “Statement of Requirement” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ means that part of the Contract which details the technical requirements and acceptance criteria [Schedule 8 in SC2] of the Contractor Deliverables.

A17. A ‘Sub-contractor’ means any party engaged or intended to be engaged by the Contractor at any level of sub-contracting to provide Contractor Deliverables for the purpose of performing any resultant contract.

A18. A “Tender” is the offer that you are making to the Authority.

A19. “Tenderer” means the economic operator. Where “you” is used this means an action on you the Tenderer.

A20. A "Third Party" is any person (including a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality)), other than the Authority, the Tenderer or their respective employees.

A21. “Voluntary Ex Ante Transparency Notice” means a mandatory notice used to announce in Find a Tender a procurement decision that the Authority intends to place a non-competitive contract under the procurement procedures. This also appears in the Defence Sourcing Portal as a “Voluntary Transparency Notice”. This allows industry to challenge the decision not to compete.

**Purpose**

A22. The purpose of this ITT is to invite you to submit a Tender, in accordance with the instructions set out in this ITT, to propose a solution and best price to meet the Authority’s requirement. This documentation explains and sets out the:

a. timetable for the next stages of the procurement;

b. instructions, conditions and processes that govern this invitation;

c. information you must include in your Tender and the required format;

d. arrangements for the receipt and review of your Tender; and

e. Contract Terms and Conditions that shall apply in the event the Authority awards a contract following this invitation.

A23. The sections in this ITT and associated documents are structured in line with a generic tendering process and do not indicate importance and / or precedence.

A24. The decision to conduct single source procurement for this requirement has not been advertised by the Authority.

**Tender Expenses / Bid Preparation Costs**

A25. Where a non-competitive Tender leads to a new contract, the Authority will reimburse your reasonable bid preparation costs subject to any Limit of Liability made known to you in writing by the Authority, either in this Tender documentation or elsewhere. Any such costs must be charged as direct costs to the contract to which they relate.

A26. Where a non-competitive Tender does not lead to a new contract, the Authority’s position in relation to your bid preparation costs will depend on the reason the contract does not proceed.

A27. Where the Tender does not proceed for reasons of the contractor’s decision not to proceed, the Authority will not reimburse any of your bid preparation costs, either directly or through indirect cost recovery methods.

A28. Where the Tender process is terminated or amended by the Authority, the Authority will reimburse your reasonable bid preparation costs, subject to any Limit of Liability made known to you in writing by the Authority, either in this Tender documentation or elsewhere. Because such costs are not permitted to be recovered indirectly against other non-competitive contracts, the Authority will in these circumstances request you to submit a cost statement detailing your reasonably incurred costs, which the Authority will have the right to review, before agreeing with you the means of making the finally agreed settlement.

**ITT Documentation and ITT Material**

A29. ITT Documentation, ITT Material and any Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in them shall remain the property of the Authority or other Third-Party owners and is released solely for the purposes of enabling you to submit a Tender.  You must:

a. take responsibility for the safe custody of the ITT Documentation and ITT Material and for all loss and damage sustained to it whilst in your care;

b. not copy or disclose the ITT Documentation or ITT Material to anyone other than the bid team involved in preparing your Tender, and not use it except for the purpose of responding to this ITT;

c. seek written approval from the Authority if you need to provide access to any ITT Documentation or ITT Material to any Third Party;

d. abide by any reasonable conditions imposed by the Authority in giving its approval under sub-paragraph A29.c, which at a minimum will require you to ensure any disclosure to a Third Party is made by you in confidence. Alternatively, due to IPR issues for example, the disclosure may be made, in confidence, directly by the Authority;

e. accept that any further disclosure of ITT Documentation or ITT Material (or use beyond the original purpose), or further use of ITT Documentation or ITT Material, without the Authority’s written approval may make you liable for a claim for breach of confidence and / or infringement of IPR, a remedy which may involve a claim for compensation;

f. inform the named Commercial Officer immediately if you decide not to submit a Tender;

g. immediately confirm destruction of (or in the case of software, that it is beyond use) all ITT Documentation, ITT Material and derived information of an unmarked nature, should you decide not to respond to this ITT, or you are notified by the Authority that your Tender has been unsuccessful; and

h. consult the named Commercial Officer to agree the appropriate destruction process if you are in receipt of ITT Documentation and ITT Material marked ‘OFFICAL-SENSITIVE’ or ‘SECRET’.

A30. Some or all of the ITT Documentation and ITT Material may be subject to one or more Confidentiality Agreements made between you and either the Authority or a Third Party, for example a Confidentiality Agreement established in the form of DEFFORM 94.  The obligations contained in any such agreement will be in addition to, and not derogate from, your obligations under paragraph A29 above.

**Material Change of Control**

A31. You must inform the Authority in writing if there is any material change in control, composition or membership of your organisation and / or consortium members, including any sub-contractors at any time during the procurement process. This may affect our decision to award a contract to you.

**Contract Conditions**

A32. The full text of Defence Conditions (DEFCONs) and Defence Forms (DEFFORMS) are available electronically via the Knowledge in Defence (KiD) website.

**Consultation with Credit Reference Agencies** [optional]

A33. The Authority may consult with credit reference agencies to assess your creditworthiness. This information may be used to support and influence decisions to enter into a contract with you.

**The Armed Forces Covenant**

A34. The Armed Forces Covenant is a promise from the nation to those who serve, or who have served, and their families, to ensure that they are treated fairly and are not disadvantaged in their day to day lives as a result of their service.

A35. The Covenant is based on two principles:

a. that the Armed Forces community would not face disadvantages when compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services; and

b. that special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

A36. The Authority encourages all Tenderers, and their suppliers, to sign the Armed Forces Covenant, declaring their support for the Armed Forces community by displaying the values and behaviours set out therein.

A37. The Armed Forces Covenant provides guidance on the various ways you can demonstrate your support through your Covenant pledges and how by engaging with the Covenant and Armed Forces, such as employing Reservists, a company or organisation can also see real benefits in their business.

A38. If you wish to register your support you can provide a point of contact for your company on this issue to the Armed Forces Covenant Team at the address below, so that the Authority can alert you to any events or initiatives in which you may wish to participate. The Covenant Team can also provide any information you require in addition to that included on the website.

Email address: employerrelations@rfca.mod.uk

Address: Defence Relationship Management

Ministry of Defence

Holderness House

51-61 Clifton Street

London

EC2A 4EY

A39. Paragraphs 34 to 38 above are not a condition of working with the Authority now or in the future, nor will this issue form any part of the tender evaluation, contract award procedure or any resulting contract. However, the Authority very much hopes you will want to provide your support.

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**Key Tendering Activities**

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**Tenders for Selected Contractor Deliverables**

C1. You must respond to the requirement for all the Contractor Deliverables listed in the attached Schedule of Requirements.

**Construction of Tenders**

C2. Your Tender must be written in English, using Arial font size 11. Prices must be in £GBP (ex VAT).

C3. To enable the Authority to complete its Value For Money (VFM) assessment, your price must be broken down. If the resultant contract is a Qualifying Defence Contract (QDC) under the Defence Reform Act (DRA) and Single Source Contract Regulations (SSCR) you must price your bid accordingly. Please set out your Tender response in accordance with Section D.

**Validity**

C4. Your Tender must be valid and open for acceptance for 30 calendar days from the Tender return date.

**Variant Bids**

C5. The decision to invite a Single Source response is based on the scope of the requirement. Where you submit a variant bid that is outside the scope of the requirement the Authority may be obliged to compete the requirement.

**Qualifying Defence Contracts**

Defence Reform Act 2014 – Part 2, Single Source Contracts

C6. This ITT may result in a Qualifying Defence Contract (QDC) under the provisions of the [Defence Reform Act 2014 (DRA)](https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/1276). You should therefore understand the implications in the event that it does result in a QDC.

C7. The DRA enables secondary legislation, called Single Source Contract Regulations 2014 (SSCR), which applies to:

a. new contracts with a value of £5M (ex VAT) or above; and

b. amended contracts where the amended contract has a value of £5M (ex VAT) or above, and both parties agree that the amended contract should be a QDC.

C8. The DRA and SSCR set out the criteria for determining when a single source contract is a Qualifying Defence Contract (QDC). Any new single source contract which meets the criteria will be a QDC, unless exempt by the Secretary of State for Defence. Exemptions will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

C9. The DRA also sets out the criteria for determining when a sub-contract is a Qualifying Sub-Contract (QSC) to which the DRA and SSCR will apply. Any single source sub-contract in excess of £25M (ex VAT), placed in support of a QDC or another QSC and which meets the criteria in the DRA and SSCR, is potentially a QSC. Responsibility for assessing whether a sub-contract is a QSC lies with the party placing the sub-contract. The Tenderer therefore has an obligation, set out in SSCR 2014 Regulation 61, to determine whether any planned sub-contract is a QSC. For any sub-contract of £15M (ex VAT) or over, the Tenderer must keep a record of their assessment and notify the Authority in writing that an assessment has been made, prior to contract award.

C10. The DRA and SSCR cover such matters as the pricing of QDCs, the information, openness and transparency that the parties must provide to each other, and the rights and obligations of both parties to a QDC once on contract.

C11. QDC Pricing - The DRA requires a contractor to be satisfied that the costs proposed for inclusion in the price of a QDC are Allowable Costs, in that they are Appropriate, Attributable and Reasonable (AAR). The Authority is obliged to ensure that your costs are AAR and at any time you may be required to show that this is the case in relation to any particular cost. The Single Source Regulations Office (SSRO) has issued Statutory Guidance on Allowable Costs (SGAC) which can be found on their website and which the parties to a QDC will be expected to adhere to, other than in exceptional circumstances. Either party to a QDC may subsequently make a referral to the SSRO for an adjustment of the contract price, if that party believes the price agreed was not in accordance with the requirements of the DRA / SSCR.

C12. The DRA requires that the contract Profit Rate agreed between the parties for QDCs must be agreed in accordance with the provisions of the DRA and SSCR.

C13. QDC Reporting - If this Tender leads to a QDC you will be obliged, under the DRA 2014 & associated regulations, to submit QDC Contract Reports to the Authority and the Single Source Regulations Office. The Authority will require you to use the SSRO’s online reporting system Defence Contract Analysis & Reporting System (DefCARS) to submit your reports. The reports that will be required are:

a. the Contract Initiation Report (comprising the Contract Pricing Statement, the Contract Notification Report and the Contract Reporting Plan), within one month of contract award;

b. Quarterly Contract Reports (where the contract value is £50M (ex VAT) or above); Interim Contract Reports and any other ‘on demand’ reports as specified elsewhere in this Tender; and

c. a Contract Completion Report and a Contract Costs Statement, at the end of the contract.

Details of reporting requirements can be found on the [SSRO website](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/single-source-regulations-office), see their document [Reporting guidance and DefCARS](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/contract-and-supplier-reporting-defcars-and-associated-guidance).

C14. You must agree with the Authority which Defined Pricing Structure (DPS) will be used for your reporting, if not already specified by the Authority in this Tender. The DPS is published by the SSRO and used as the basis of reporting your forecast and actual costs through DefCARS. (Note: for Quarterly Contract Reports (QCRs) you may report costs using your own reporting structure, rather than the agreed DPS).

C15 The [MOD Commercial Toolkit](https://www.kid.mod.uk/maincontent/business/commercial/index.htm) provides further information about the new single source legal framework.

**Non-qualifying Contracts**

C16. A single source contract that does not meet the criteria to be a QDC is a “non-qualifying contract”. While recognising the provisions of the DRA and SSCR do not apply in law to non-qualifying contracts, the Authority’s policy is to apply the same pricing principles and guidance to assure the process of a non-qualifying contract, as for a QDC.

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**Details of Cost Breakdown and Mandatory Criteria**

D1. When placing any contract, the Authority is required to satisfy that the agreed price represents Value for Money (VFM). In single source contracting you must provide to the Authority sufficient information in support of your price proposal and during subsequent price negotiation, to enable the Authority to fulfil its obligation to assure VFM. The Authority approaches all contract pricing on the basis of the NAPNOC principle.

**Cost Breakdown Requirements**

D2. Detailed below is the information and evidence the Authority requires to enable the assessment of the contract and Sub-contract proposals submitted in response to the Authority’s Tender dated [insert date]. Subject to paragraphs D3 to D5, or unless otherwise agreed with the Authority, the information detailed must be submitted as part of your Tender response.

D3. You may have already provided some of the information detailed below as part of a separate investigation / agreement with the Authority (e.g. the methodology used to determine overhead cost recovery rates). If so, you must provide details and dates of any such agreements.

D4. If the Tender is expected to lead to a Qualifying Defence Contract (QDC), you must provide sufficiently detailed information to the Authority to support your price proposal, to satisfy the statutory obligations placed on you by the [Defence Reform Act 2014 (DRA)](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2014/20/contents/enacted) and the [Single Source Contract Regulations 2014 (SSCR)](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2014/3337/contents/made). Or, if any resultant contract is not a QDC (a non-qualifying contract), to meet the Authority’s pricing policy indicated at paragraph C16 of this DEFFORM 47ST, the costs you propose within your price must be compliant with the latest version of the statutory [Allowable Costs Guidance](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/single-source-cost-standards-sscs-statutory-guidance-on-allowable-costs) (ACG) published by the Single Source Regulations Office (SSRO). Further information about the DRA and SSCR provisions can be found on the MOD Commercial Toolkit and on the [SSRO website](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/single-source-regulations-office).

D5. The aim of the Authority’s assessment is to satisfy itself that your proposed costs are AAR. For a QDC you will be legally required to submit a Contract Pricing Statement within one month of contract award, detailing the facts, assumptions and calculations underpinning the contract price, as indicated at paragraph C13. You should therefore aim to supply a similar level of detail to support your tendered price. The Authority may request further supporting information, in the event the information supplied with your Tender is insufficient to enable the Authority's assessment to be completed.

**Contractor Databook**

D6. You are not required to provide a Contractor Databook.

**Work Breakdown Structure**

D7. You must provide a Work Breakdown Structure (WBS), representing a hierarchical breakdown of the work packages / activities that need to be performed to deliver the required Contractor Deliverables. The WBS when completed should provide detail proportionate to the value and complexity of the requirement covered by the Tender.

**Organisation Breakdown Structure**

D8. You must provide an Organisation Breakdown Structure (OBS) that maps across to your WBS.

D9. The OBS must be supported by a resource plan detailing the personnel that will be assigned to the delivery of any resultant contract, specifically identifying any additional personnel not currently available, that will need to be acquired, together with the assumed timescales for their introduction.

**Make or Buy Plan**

D10. Your Tender must provide a Make or Buy Plan defining the criteria and rationale used for the apportionment of work within the proposed supply network. The plan must identify each sub-system, package of work, service or purchase of components and raw materials etc. whether or not you intend to seek competitive tenders. You must indicate your reasons for not seeking competition (i.e. competition not practicable or not reasonable for other reasons which must be stated). For contracts valued at £5M (ex VAT) and above, the Make or Buy Plan must provide the following information for each sub-system, package of work, service, purchase of components and raw materials:

a. the name and address of the proposed sub-contractor(s); or

b. the list of tenderers and timeline that is being considered for competitively placed requirements

c. the approximate value of the sub-contract or order;

d. the means by which prices are to be determined as fair and reasonable (e.g. by incorporation into the sub-contract or order the text of the relevant Appendix of DEFCONs 802, 804, 811, 812, 814 and 815, as applicable);

e. the delivery programme; and

f. other relevant factors.

**Questionnaire on Method of Allocation of Costs**

D11. *Not required.*.

**Cost Breakdown**

D12. Your Tender must provide a cost breakdown that clearly indicates the way in which the proposed costs for the work described in the proposal have been derived. You should use your published business labour rates in calculating your cost breakdown.

D13. Your cost breakdown must be constructed to enable the Authority to understand the relationship between the costs you have estimated and the Contract Terms and Conditions. Any assumptions and dependencies that have a bearing on the allocation of commercial risk must be detailed.

D14. Your cost breakdown should indicate the amounts quoted for each of the main cost types broken down by cost centre / department / division and by planned spend per your Accounting Period.

D15. Your cost breakdown must provide sufficient detail to enable the Authority to assess whether the cost allocated to each of the key work packages, within the WBS down to the level specified in paragraph D7, are Allowable Costs (see sub-paragraph D16.h).

D16. Your Tender must provide the following detail, for each work package in the WBS:

a. the direct costs associated with each work package. In this respect, a direct cost is one that can be completely attributed to the delivery of the work package concerned, including materials costs, labour costs, sub-contract costs, other direct costs and any capital costs relating to expenditure on special to type equipment. You must also include spend profiles for labour and materials broken down by Financial Year;

b. the direct labour hours used to estimate the cost of each work package, broken down by band / grade and indicating the charging rates applied. Where applied, the annual utilisation rates used to derive the direct labour hour estimates. Any annual escalation applied to the rates must be detailed separately and the rationale provided;

c. any overhead and / or indirect costs relating to the general conduct of your business and which have been attributed to each work package. You must provide the methodology used to attribute indirect costs to work packages, if not already provided (e.g. under paragraph D13);

d. any risk contingencies associated with each work package must be quantified and substantiated. You must conduct a detailed risk assessment covering: schedule, technical performance, cost and commercial risks and supply a Risk Register with Risk Analysis, along with the Risk Analysis rationale. You must also identify the methodology for managing and eliminating / minimising risks off-set against the Risk Analysis and its impact on cost growth and programme. The register must also include an assessment of costed opportunities relating to applying improved techniques / practices, exploiting technology or pursuing other approaches that would yield VFM;

e. a statement detailing the rationale that underpins the estimate for each work package together with evidence that demonstrates the estimated costs are Allowable. The statement must include:

(1) details of any historic / recorded costs used to inform the development of the estimate supported by the rationale for any adjustments that may have been applied to the data to reflect different circumstances. Where no adjustments have been made, you must provide the rationale for applying historic / recorded costs;

(2) any particular processes and / or techniques that are reflected within the estimate for the work package concerned;

(3) details of your estimating policy (e.g. estimating handbooks or guidance material) that have been applied to determine the tendered price(s), together with confirmation that the Authority will be afforded unrestricted access to such documentation, if requested.

D17. You must provide copies of any quotes for purchase of materials valued in excess of £100,000.00 and subcontracted work with an estimated value in excess of £100,000.00.

D18. You must annotate all relevant economic and other assumptions on which the costs identified in the cost breakdown are dependent (e.g. inflation, interest rates, and taxation rates). Any elements for which the application of a Variation of Price (VOP) mechanism is proposed, must be supported by the rationale and details of the suggested VOP mechanism.

D19. If applicable you should provide details of any quantified productivity improvements / efficiency gains (including any cost benefit from company re-organisation) expected to be realised over the life of the contract, detailing the Financial Year they are expected to apply. You should identify separately, any costs included with the estimate that are expected to contribute to the realisation of those improvements. Any proposed investments should be supported by a quantitative analysis demonstrating the benefits.

D20. Your cost estimate must reflect the assumptions you have made, including those concerning the anticipated percentage split of Authority / commercial workload for the duration of the contract, which you must provide with your tender, profiled by year.

**Profit Breakdown Requirements for a QDC**

D21. You must identify the profit rate(s) used to determine the tendered price(s), together with details of how each rate has been derived. For a QDC the agreement of the Contract Profit Rate is a six-step process, described in the [SSRO Baseline Profit Rate Guidance](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1009046/Baseline_profit_rate_guidance_Version_7.1A.pdf). Step 1, the Baseline Profit Rate (BPR), must be the BPR in force at 1 April in the period 1 Apr – 31 Mar in the year in which any resultant contract is signed. The same applies to step 4 - SSRO funding adjustment and step 6 - Capital Servicing Allowance – CSA. Your tender may propose adjustments for step 2 - risk adjustment, step 3 - Profit on Cost Once (POCO) and step 6 - Capital Servicing Allowance (CSA), provided you show they are in accordance with SSRO Statutory Guidance on profit rate adjustments. Whether or not you propose adjustments for steps 2, 3 and 6 in your tender response, these will need to be negotiated with you during the price negotiation. Step 5 is an incentive adjustment which is solely for inclusion at the Authority's discretion. If the Authority decides there is justification to include step 5, the amount will be negotiated with you during the price negotiation.

**Profit Breakdown Requirements for a Non-qualifying Contract**

D22. It is the Authority’s policy to use the current SSRO published BPR and CSA when negotiating the contract profit rate for a non-qualifying contract. It may also be appropriate to consider the other ‘steps’ of the profit rate calculation (e.g. step 2 - risk adjustment and step 3 - POCO) although step 4 - SSRO funding adjustment, will never be applied to a non-qualifying contract.

D23. You must explain and justify, within your Tender response, a profit rate that is not derived from the current SSRO BPR and CSA.

**Requirement for DEFFORM 815 for a Non-qualifying Contract**

D24. If your Tender will result in a non-qualifying contract over £1m (ex VAT), you must complete a DEFFORM 815 - Contract Pricing Statement on or around contract signature. It is the Authority’s preference that you submit a draft DEFFORM 815 with your Tender response. Instructions on completion of the DEFFORM 815 are available on the Authority’s Commercial Toolkit.

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| **Mandatory Criteria, applicable to QDCs and non-qualifying contracts**  |
| Full completion of the table in DEFFORM 47ST Annex A (Offer) (See paragraph F20)  | Pass / Fail  |
| Minimum Technical Requirements met  | Pass / Fail  |
| [Insert any relevant Mandatory Criteria] | Pass / Fail  |

Failure to meet the Mandatory Criteria will result in the Authority being unable to award a contract.

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**Instructions on Submitting your Tender**

**Submission of your Tender**

E1. Your Tender and any other ITT Documentation must be submitted electronically via e-mail.

E2. Your Tender must be compatible with MS Office Word and other MS Office applications. If you password protect or encrypt any information containing prices, you must supply the password or use compatible encryption methods so that the Authority can undertake a pricing evaluation.

E3. If you have a requirement to submit documents above OFFICIAL SENSITIVE, please contact the named Commercial Manager for advice.

E4. You must not upload any ITAR or Export Controlled information as part of your Tender or ITT documentation. You must contact the named Commercial Manager to discuss any exchange of ITAR or Export Controlled information. You must ensure that you have the relevant permissions to transfer information to the Authority.

E5. You must ensure that your DEFFORM 47ST Annex A (Offer) is signed, scanned and uploaded to the DSP with your Tender as a PDF (it must be a scanned original). Where you select ‘Yes’ to any questions you must upload the relevant information to the DSP.

**Samples**

E7. Where samples are required for testing purposes you must be prepared to submit them without charge. You should clearly label samples with the following particulars:

a. your name and address;

b. the Tender Reference Number and due date for return of the Tender, and;

c. the Description and Item Number as shown in the Schedule of Requirements.

E8. The Authority may retain all samples for twelve (12) months from the Tender return date. After this period, the Authority will destroy the samples unless you specifically state you require them to be returned. The samples associated with a successful Tender may be kept by the Authority indefinitely.

E9. Samples that are consumed will not be returned.

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**Conditions of Tendering**

F1. The issue of ITT Documentation or ITT Material is not a commitment by the Authority to place a contract as a result of this ITT or at a later stage. Neither does the issue of this ITT or subsequent Tender submission create any implied Contract between the Authority and any Tenderer and any such implied Contract is expressly excluded.

F2. In addition to its legal rights in relation to qualifying contracts, under the Defence Reform Act 2014 the Authority reserves the right, but is not obliged to:

a. vary the terms of this ITT in accordance with applicable law;

b. seek clarification or additional documents in respect of your submission during Tender evaluation where necessary for the purpose of carrying out a fair evaluation. You are asked to respond to such requests promptly;

c. visit your site;

d. not enter into a contract if you are found guilty of misrepresentation in relation to your Tender or the Tender process;

e. re-assess your suitability, for example, where there is a material change of control from supplier selection;

f. reject / negotiate your Tender or part of your Tender;

g. withdraw this ITT at any time, or invite other Tenders on the same or any alternative basis;

h. choose not to award any contract as a result of this tender process;

i. award a contract for some of the Contractor Deliverables, unless you specifically oppose this in your Tender or state any minimum order quantities.

F3. The contract will be effective when both parties have signed the contract. The contract will be issued by the Authority via DEFFORM 8, to the address you provide, on or before the end of the validity period specified in paragraph C4.

**Conforming to the Law**

F4. You must comply with the UK Bribery Act 2010, all applicable UK legislation and any equivalent legislation in a third state.

F5. Your attention is drawn to legislation relating to canvassing of a public official, collusive behaviour and bribery. If you act in breach of this legislation your Tender may be disqualified from this procurement. Disqualification will be without prejudice to any civil remedy available to the Authority or any criminal liability that your conduct may attract.

**Fraud and Other Illegal Practices**

F6. You must report any suspected or actual, fraud, bribery, corruption, or any other dishonest irregularity in connection to this tendering exercise to:

Defence Regulatory Reporting Cell Hotline

0800 161 3665 (UK) or

+44 1371 85 4881 (Overseas)

**Conflicts of Interest**

F7. You must notify the Authority immediately of any Conflicts of Interest that have arisen or that may arise at any point before the contract award decision. You should be aware that withholding knowledge of such interests may prevent the Authority from awarding the Contract.

F8. Where an actual or potential Conflict of Interest (COI) exists or arises or any situation arises that might give the perception of a COI at any point before the Contract award decision, you must provide a proposed Compliance Regime within seven (7) calendar days of notifying the Authority of the actual, potential or perceived COI. The proposal must be of a standard which, in the Authority's sole opinion, appropriately manages the conflict and provides full details listed at F8 a to g below. Where the Contract is awarded and the COI is still relevant post-Contract award decision, your proposed Compliance Regime will become part of the Contract Terms and Conditions. As a minimum, the Compliance Regime must include:

a. manner of operation and management;

b. roles and responsibilities;

c. standards for integrity and fair dealing;

d. levels of access to and protection of competitors sensitive information and Government Furnished Information;

e. confidentiality / non-disclosure agreements (e.g. DEFFORM 702);

f. the Authority’s rights of audit; and

g. physical and managerial separation.

**Government Furnished Assets**

F9. Where the Authority provides Government Furnished Assets (GFA) in support of this procurement, you must include details of the GFA in your Public Store Account and treat it in accordance with Def Stan 05-099. If the Authority decides not to proceed with this procurement, you must seek instructions for the GFA from the named Commercial Officer.

**Publicity Announcement**

F10. The Authority will publish notification of the contract and shall publish contract documents under the FOI Act except where publishing such information would hinder law enforcement; would otherwise be contrary to the public interest; would prejudice the legitimate commercial interest of any person, or might prejudice fair competition in the supply chain. You should complete and return DEFFORM 539A as explained in the DEFFORM 47ST Annex A and associated Appendix 1.

F11. If you wish to make an announcement regarding this procurement you must seek approval from the named Commercial Officer and Press Office and such permission will only be given at the sole discretion of the Authority. Requests must be made in writing to the named Commercial Officer and a copy of the draft announcement provided. This shall then be forwarded to the Press Office and their contact details will be provided for further follow up.

F12. Under no circumstances should you confirm to any Third Party the Authority’s Contract award decision before the Authority’s announcement of the award of Contract.

**Sensitive Information**

F13. All Central Government Departments and their Executive Agencies and Non Departmental Public Bodies are subject to control and reporting within Government. In particular, they report to the Cabinet Office and HM Treasury for all expenditure. Further, the Cabinet Office has a cross-governmental role delivering overall Government policy on public procurement, including ensuring value for money and related aspects of good procurement practice and answering Freedom of Information requests.

F14. For these purposes, the Authority may share within Government any of your documentation / information (including any that you consider to be confidential and / or commercially sensitive such as specific bid information) submitted by you to the Authority during this procurement. You must identify any Sensitive Information in the DEFFORM 539A (or SC1B Schedule 4 or SC2 Schedule 5) and consent to these terms as part of the tendering process. This allows the Authority to share information with other Government Departments while complying with our obligations to maintain confidentiality.

F15. Where required, the Authority reserves the right to disclose on a confidential basis any information it receives from you during the procurement process (including information identified by you as Sensitive Information in accordance with the provisions of this ITT/ITN) to any Third Party engaged by the Authority for the specific purpose of evaluating or assisting the Authority in the evaluation of your Tender. In providing such information you consent to such disclosure.

**Remedies for Actionable Contraventions under the Defence Reform Act 2014**

F16. If you have a Qualifying Defence Contract under the DRA 2014 you should be aware that if you fail to comply with certain aspects of the legislation then the Authority may issue a Compliance Notice to you. If you continue to fail to comply, the Authority may serve you with a Civil Penalty, as provided in the Single Source Contract Regulations 2014. If you believe either a Compliance Notice or a Civil Penalty is unjustified, you may appeal the matter to the independent Single Source Regulations Office.

**Reportable Requirements**

F17. Listed in the DEFFORM 47ST Annex A (Offer) are the Mandatory Declarations. It is a Condition of Tendering that you complete and attach the returns listed in the Annex and, where you select “Yes”, you must attach the relevant information with your tender submission.

F18. Failure to complete this part of the Annex in full makes your Tender non-compliant.Additional information provided in response to Appendix 1 may be used to support the Authority’sevaluation of your tender, as detailed in Section D.

F19. If you are an overseas Contractor and your Tender is successful you will be required to provide the name and address of your bank and the relevant bank account number on contract award.

***Russian and Belarusian Suppliers, Products and Services****[*

F20. Except as set out in [PPN 01/22](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0122-contracts-with-suppliers-from-russia-and-belarus), the Authority will not be accepting Tenders that:

a. contain any Russian / Belarusian products and / or services; and / or

b. are linked to entities who are constituted or organised under the law of Russia or Belarus, or under the control (full or partial) of a Russian / Belarusian person or entity. Please note that this does not include companies:

(1) registered in the UK or in a country with which the UK has a relevant international agreement with reciprocal rights of access in the relevant field of public procurement; and/or

(2) which have significant business operations in the UK or in a country the UK has a relevant international agreement with reciprocal rights of access in the relevant field of public procurement.

F21. Tenderers must confirm in writing that their Tender, including any element that may be provided by any part of the Contractor’s supply chain, does not contain any Russian / Belarusian products and / or services.

F22. Tenderers must include provisions equivalent to those set out in this clause in all relevant Sub-Contracting Arrangements.

**DEFFORM 47ST Annex A**

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**Tender Ref No. …..........................**

Tender Submission Document (Offer)

**To the Secretary of State for Defence in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (hereafter called “the Authority”)**

The undersigned Tenderer, having read the ITT Documentation, offers to supply the Contractor Deliverables at the stated price(s), in accordance with any referenced drawings and / or specifications, subject to the Conditions of Tendering. It is agreed that only the Contract Conditions or any amendments issued by the Authority will apply.

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| **Applicable Law**  |
| I agree that any contract resulting from this procurement shall be subject to English Law\*Where ‘no’ is selected, Scots Law will apply.  | Yes ~~/ No\*~~  |
| **Value of Tender (excluding VAT)** |
| £......1,600,000...................................................................................................................................................WORDS One million and six hundred thousand pounds………………………………………… |
| **UK Value Added Tax** |
| If registered for Value Added Tax purposes, please insert:a. Registration No .... GB567411043......................................b.  Total amount of Value Added Tax payable on this Tender (at current rate(s)) £......320,000..................... |

**Schedule 1. Price Breakdown.**

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| **SOW No** | **Milestone Description** | **Delivery month** | **Value (£K)** |
| 1.1 | Meissa 3 Gate 4 | T0 + 2 months | 189 |
| 1.2 | Wind Tunnel phases 1 and 2 complete, final report  | T0 + 3 months | 24 |
| 1.3 | MINT test article build complete  | T0 + 3.5 months | 214 |
| 1.4 | MINT Test Readiness  | T0 + 4 months | 266 |
| 2.1 | Kick off meeting (NG) | T0 + 2 weeks | 50 |
| 2.2 | Final presentation on operational analysis (NG) | T0 + 3 months | 150 |
| 2.3 | Operational Analysis final report (NG) | T0 + 4 months | 50 |
| 3.1 | Operational requirements (NG) | T0 + 3 months | 50 |
| 4.1 | Launch workshop and agreement on GFA | T0 + 1 month | 131 |
| 4.2 | Maturation plan delivered | T0 + 4 months | 131 |
| 4.2.1 | Maturation plan month 2 progress | T0 + 2 months | 131 |
| 4.2.2 | Maturation plan month 3 progress | T0 + 3 months | 131 |
| 5.1 | Cost estimate of maturation plan | T0 + 5 months | 83 |
|  | Total |  | 1600 |

**Schedule 2. Work Location**

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| **Location of work (town / city) where the contract will be performed by the Contractor:**  |
| Where items which are subject of your Tender are not supplied or provided by you, state location in town / city to be performed column (continue on another page if required) |
| Tier 1 Sub-contractor Company NameNorthrop Grumman | Town / city to bePerformedLondon | Contractor DeliverablesOperational Analysis | Estimated Value£300,000 | SME ~~Yes /~~ No |
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| **Schedule 3. Mandatory Declarations (further details are contained in Appendix 1 to DEFFORM 47ST ST Annex A (Offer)):**  |
|  | **Tenderer’s Declaration** |
| Is the offer subject to the Authority contracting for all the Contractor Deliverables? | ~~Yes\* /~~ No  |
| Have you completed and attached a Contract Pricing Statement? | Yes ~~/ No~~ |
| Is the offer made subject to a Minimum Order Quantity? | ~~Yes\*~~ / No  |
| Have you completed and attached a DEFFORM 711 – Notification of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Restrictions? | Yes\* ~~/ No~~  |
| Are the Contractor Deliverables subject to Foreign Export Control and Security Restrictions? If the answer is yes, please complete and attach DEFFORM 528. | ~~Yes\*~~ / No |
| Have you obtained prior foreign export approval necessary to secure IP user rights for the Authority in Contract Deliverables, including technical data, as determined in the Contract Conditions? | ~~Yes\* / No~~ Not Applicable |
| Have you provided details of how you will comply with all regulations relating to the operation of the collection of custom import duties, including the proposed Customs procedures to be used and estimates of duties to be incurred or suspended? | ~~Yes / No~~Not Applicable |
| Have you completed Form 1686 for sub-contracts? | ~~Yes /~~ No |
| Are you a Small Medium Sized Enterprise (SME)? | Yes ~~/ No~~ |
| Have you and your sub-contractors registered with the Prompt Payment Code with regards to SMEs?  | ~~Yes /~~ No |
| Have you completed and attached DEFFORM 539A (Tenderer’s Sensitive Information)? | Yes ~~/ No~~ |
| If you have not previously submitted a Statement Relating to Good Standing, or circumstances have changed, have you attached a revised version? | Yes ~~/ No / N/A~~ |
| Do the Contractor Deliverables or any item provided in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Contract contain Asbestos, as defined by the control of Asbestos Regulations 2012? | ~~Yes\* /~~ No  |
| Have you completed and attached a DEFFORM 68 - Hazardous Articles, Deliverables materials or substances statement?  | ~~Yes\* /~~ No  |
| Do the Contractor Deliverables or any item provided in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Contract (including Packaging) use Substances that deplete the Ozone Layer, as defined in Regulation (EC) 1005/2009 as it applies in Great Britain as retained EU Law, and as it applies in Northern Ireland directly..  | ~~Yes\*~~ / No  |
| Have you attached The Bank / Parent Company Guarantee? | ~~Yes\* / No /~~ Not Required |
| Have you complied with the requirements of the Defence Safety Authority? | ~~Yes / No /~~ Not Required |
| Have you completed all Mandatory Requirements (as per paragraph F17) stated in this ITT? | Yes ~~/ No~~ |
| \*If selecting Yes to any of the above questions, please attach the information detailed in Appendix 1 to DEFFORM 47ST Annex A (Offer). |

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| **Tenderer’s Declaration**  |
| We understand that any misrepresentations may also be the subject of criminal investigation or used as the basis for civil action.We agree that the Authority may share the Contractor’s information/documentation (submitted to the Authority during this Procurement) more widely within Government for the purpose of ensuring effective cross-Government tender processes, including value for money and related purposes. We certify that we have identified any sensitive material in the Tenderer’s Sensitive Information form (DEFFORM 539A). |
| **Dated this ........8th......................... day of .............July ............................Year ....2024.........** |
| **Signature:** A close up of a letter  Description automatically generated**In the capacity of ...............................................................................................**Strategy & Business Development Director, Government & Defence Programmes |
| **Name:** (in BLOCK CAPITALS)NIK KHANNA**duly authorised to sign this Tender for and on behalf of:**REACTION ENGINES LIMITED(Tenderer's Name) | **Postal Address:**Building F5, Culham Campus, Abingdon, Oxfordshire OX14 3DB**Telephone No: 01865 520533****Registered Company Number:02413577****Dunn and Bradstreet Number:504168071** |

**Appendix 1 to DEFFORM 47ST Annex A (Offer)**

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**Information on Mandatory Declaration Returns**

**Part Tender**

1. Under Conditions of Tendering F1, the Authority reserves the right to order some or part of your Tender. If your offer is subject to the Authority contracting for all the Contractor Deliverables, select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**Minimum Order Quantities**

2. Where your offer is subject to minimum order quantities, select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**IPR Restrictions**

3. You must complete and attach DEFFORM 711 (Notification of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Restrictions) as part of your Tender. You must provide details of any information / technical data that is deliverable or delivered under the Contract where it is, or may be, subject to any IPR restrictions (or any other type of restriction which may include export restrictions) affecting the Authority’s ability to use or disclose the Information / Technical Data in accordance with the conditions of any resulting Contract. You must also identify any Contractor Deliverables subject to IPR which have been funded exclusively or in part by private venture, foreign investment or otherwise than by the Authority.

4. In particular, you must identify:

a. any restriction on the provision of information to the Authority; any restriction on disclosure or the use of information by, or on behalf of, the Authority; any obligations to make payments in respect of IPR, and any Patent or Registered Design (or application for either) or other IPR (including unregistered Design Right) owned or controlled by you or a Third Party;

b. any allegation made against you, whether by claim or otherwise, of an infringement of an Intellectual Property Right (whether a Patent, Registered Design, unregistered Design Right, Copyright or otherwise) or of a breach of confidence, which relates to the performance of any resultant contract or subsequent use by or for the Authority of any Contractor Deliverables;

c. the nature of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph 4.b., including any obligation to make payments in respect of the intellectual property right any confidential information and / or;

d. any action you need to take or the Authority is required to take to deal with the consequences of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph 4.b.

5. You must, provide the Authority with details of every restriction and obligation referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4. The Authority will not acknowledge any such restriction unless so notified using DEFFORM 711 or as otherwise agreed under any resultant Contract. You must also provide, on request, any information required for authorisation to be given under Section 2 of the Defence Contracts Act 1958.

6. You should refer to the DEFFORM 711 Explanatory Notes for further information on how to complete the form.

**Notification of Foreign Export Control Restrictions**

7. If, in the performance of the Contract, you need to import into the UK or export out of the UK anything not supplied by or on behalf of the Authority and for which a UK import or export licence is required, you will be responsible for applying for the licence. The Authority will provide you with all reasonable assistance in obtaining any necessary UK import or export licence.

8. In respect of any Contractor Deliverables, likely to be required for the performance of any resultant contract, you must provide the following information in your Tender:

a. Whether all or part of any Contractor Deliverables are or will be subject to:

(1) a non-UK export licence, authorisation or exemption; or

(2) any other related transfer control that restricts or will restrict end use, end user, re-transfer or disclosure.

You must complete DEFFORM 528 (or other mutually agreed alternative format) in respect of any Contractor Deliverables identified at paragraph 8 and return it as part of your Tender. If you have previously provided this information you can provide details of the previous notification and confirm the validity.

9. You must use reasonable endeavours to obtain sufficient information from your potential supply chain to enable a full response to paragraph 8. If you are unable to obtain

adequate information, you must state this in your Tender. If you become aware at any time during the procurement that all or part of any proposed Contractor Deliverable is likely to become subject to a non-UK Government Control through a Government-to-Government sale only, you must inform the Authority immediately by updating your previously submitted DEFFORM 528 or completing a new DEFFORM 528.

10. This does not include any Intellectual Property specific restrictions mentioned in paragraph 4.

11. You must notify the named Commercial Officer immediately if you are unable for whatever reason to abide by any restriction of the type referred to in paragraph 8.

12. Should you propose the supply of Contractor Deliverables of US origin the export of which from the USA is subject to control under the US International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), you must include details on the DEFFORM 528. This will allow the Authority to make a decision whether the export can or cannot be made under the US-UK Defense Trade Co-operation Treaty. The Authority shall then convey its decision to you. If the Authority decides that use of the Treaty for the export is permissible, it is your responsibility to make a final decision whether you want to use that route for the export concerned if you are awarded the contract.

**Import Duty**

13. United Kingdom (UK) legislation permits the use of various procedures to suspend customs duties.

14. For the purpose of this procurement, for any deliverables not yet imported into the UK, you are required to provide details of your plans to address customs compliance, including the Customs procedures to be applied (together with the procedure code) and the estimated Import Duty to be incurred and / or suspended.

15. You should note that it is your responsibility to ensure compliance with all regulations relating to the operation of the accounting for import duties. This includes but is not limited to obtaining the appropriate His Majesty’s Revenue & Customs (HMRC) authorisations.

**Sub-contracts Form 1686**

16. Form 1686 (also known as Appendix 5) is to be used in all circumstances where contractors wish to place a sub-contract at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE with a contractor outside the UK, or where the release of SECRET or above information is involved within the UK or overseas. The process will require submission of the single page document either directly to the MOD delivery team or, where specified, to the DE&S Security Advice Centre. Form 1686 and further guidance can be found in the Cabinet Office’s Contractual Process. Small and Medium Enterprises

17. The Authority is committed to supporting the Government’s small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) policy, and we want to encourage wider SME participation throughout our supply chain. Our goal is that 25% of the Authority's spending should be spent with SMEs by 2022; this applies to the money which the Authority spends directly with SMEs, and through the supply chain. The Authority uses the European Commission definition of SME.

18. A key aspect of the Government’s SME Policy is ensuring that its suppliers throughout the supply chain are paid promptly.  All suppliers to the Authority and their sub-contractors are encouraged to make their own commitment and register with thePrompt Payment Code.

19. Suppliers are also encouraged to work with the Authority to support the Authority’s SME initiative, however this is not a condition of working with the Authority now or in the future, nor will this issue form any part of the Tender evaluation . Information on the Authority’s purchasing arrangements, our commercial policy priorities and our SME policy can be found at Gov.UK and the Defence Sourcing Portal.

20. The opportunity also exists for Tenderers to advertise any sub-contract valued at over £10,000 on the Defence Sourcing Portal and further details can be obtained directly from: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/subcontract-advertising. This process is managed by the Strategic Supplier Management team who can be contacted at: DefComrclSSM-Suppliers@mod.gov.uk.

**Transparency, Freedom of Information and Environmental Information Regulations**

21. The Authority shall publish notification of the Contract and publish Contract documents where required following a request under the FOI Act except where publishing such information would hinder law enforcement; would otherwise be contrary to the public interest; would prejudice the legitimate commercial interest of any person or might prejudice fair competition between suppliers.

22. The Authority may publish the contents of any resultant Contract in line with government policy set out in the Government’s Transparency Principles.

23. Before publishing the Contract, the Authority will redact any information which is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the FOIA”) or the Environmental Information Regulations 2002 (“the EIR”).

24. You should complete the attached Tenderer’s Sensitive Information form (DEFFORM 539A or SC1B Schedule 4 or SC2 Schedule 5) explaining which parts of your Tender you consider to be Sensitive Information. This includes providing a named individual who can be contacted with regard to FOIA and EIR.

25. You should note that, while your views will be taken into consideration, the ultimate decision whether to publish or disclose information lies with the Authority. You are advised to provide as much detail as possible on the form. It is highly unlikely that a Tender will be exempt from disclosure in its entirety. Should the Authority decide to publish or disclose information against your wishes, you will be given prior notification.

**Electronic Purchasing**

26. You must note that use of the Contracting, Purchasing and Finance (CP&F) electronic procurement tool is a mandatory requirement for any resultant contract awarded following this Tender. By submitting this Tender you agree to electronic payment. Please feel free to consult the service provider on connectivity options. Failure to accept electronic payment will result in your Tender being non-compliant.

**Change of Circumstances**

27. If you have not previously submitted a Statement Relating to Good Standing or circumstances have changed please, select ‘Yes’ to the appropriate question on DEFFORM 47ST Annex A and submit a Statement Relating to Good Standing with your Tender.

**Asbestos, Hazardous Items and Depletion of the Ozone Layer**

28. The Authority is required to report any items that use asbestos, that are hazardous or where there is an impact on the Ozone. Where any Contractor Deliverables fall into one of these categories select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**Defence Safety Authority (DSA) Requirements**

29.You are required to comply with any applicable DSA military regulatory policy and regulation. If you wish to propose an alternative acceptable means of compliance you must obtain agreement in principle from the relevant defence regulator (through the delivery team) in advance of submitting your Tender. Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) are strongly recommended practices and a justification will be required if they are not followed. You must consult the relevant defence regulator where there is more than one AMC. You must confirm how you intend to comply with the regulatory articles, and the date you consulted with the relevant defence regulator.

**Bank or Parent Company Guarantee**

30. A Bank or Parent Company Guarantee is not required.

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**General Conditions**

**1.General**

a. The defined terms in the Contract shall be as set out in Schedule 1.

b. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Legislation, whether specifically referenced in this Contract or not.

c. The Contractor warrants and represents, that:

(1) they have the full capacity and authority to enter into, and to exercise their rights and perform their obligations under, the Contract;

(2) from the Effective Date of Contract and for so long as the Contract remains in force it shall give the Authority Notice of any litigation, arbitration (unless expressly prohibited from doing so in accordance with the terms of the arbitration), administrative or adjudication or mediation proceedings before any court, tribunal, arbitrator, administrator or adjudicator or mediator or relevant authority against themselves or a Subcontractor which would adversely affect the Contractor's ability to perform their obligations under the Contract;

(3) as at the Effective Date of Contract no proceedings or other steps have been taken and not discharged (nor, to the best of the knowledge of the Contractor, threatened) for the winding-up of the company or dissolution or for the appointment of a receiver, administrative receiver, administrator, liquidator, trustee or similar officer in relation to any of its assets or revenues;

(4) for so long as the Contract remains in force they shall give the Authority Notice of any proceedings or other steps that have been taken but not discharged (nor to the best of the knowledge of the Contractor, threatened) for the winding-up of the company or dissolution or for the appointment of a receiver, administrator, liquidator, trustee or similar officer in relation to any of its assets or revenues.

d. Unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) The singular includes the plural and vice versa, and the masculine includes the feminine and vice versa.

(2) The words “include”, “includes”, “including” and “included” are to be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words “without limitation”, except where explicitly stated otherwise.

(3) The expression “person” means any individual, firm, body corporate, unincorporated association or partnership, government, state or agency of a state or joint venture.

(4) References to any statute, enactment, order, regulation, or other similar instrument shall be construed as a reference to the statute, enactment, order, regulation, or instrument as amended, supplemented, replaced or consolidated by any subsequent statute, enactment, order, regulation, or instrument.

(5) The heading to any Contract provision shall not affect the interpretation of that provision.

(6) Any decision, act or thing which the Authority is required or authorised to take or do under the Contract may be taken or done only by the person (or its nominated deputy) authorised in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) to take or do that decision, act, or thing on behalf of the Authority.

(7) Unless excluded within the Conditions of the Contract or required by law, references to submission of documents in writing shall include electronic submission.

**2. Duration of Contract**

This Contract comes into effect on the Effective Date of Contract and will expire automatically on the date identified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) unless it is otherwise terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, or otherwise lawfully terminated.

**3. Entire Agreement**

This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter of the Contract. The Contract supersedes, and neither Party has relied upon, any prior negotiations, representations and undertakings, whether written or oral, except that this Condition shall not exclude liability in respect of any fraudulent misrepresentation.

**4. Governing Law**

a. Subject to clause 4.d, the Contract shall be considered as a contract made in England and subject to English Law.

b. Subject to clause 4.d and Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution) and without prejudice to the dispute resolution process set out therein, each Party submits and agrees to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of England to resolve, and the laws of England to govern, any actions proceedings, controversy or claim of whatever nature arising out of or relating to the Contract or breach thereof.

c. Subject to clause 4.d any dispute arising out of or in connection with the Contract shall be determined within the English jurisdiction and to the exclusion of all other jurisdictions save that other jurisdictions may apply solely for the purpose of giving effect to this Condition 4 and for the enforcement of any judgment, order or award given under English jurisdiction.

d. *Not used.*

e. Each Party warrants to each other that entry into the Contract does not, and the performance of the Contract will not, in any way violate or conflict with any provision of law, statute, rule, regulation, judgement, writ, injunction, decree or order applicable to it. Each Party also warrants that the Contract does not conflict with or result in a breach or termination of any provision of, or constitute a default under, any mortgage, contract or other liability, charge or encumbrance upon any of its properties or other assets.

f. Each Party agrees with each other Party that the provisions of this Condition 4 shall survive any termination of the Contract for any reason whatsoever and shall remain fully enforceable as between the Parties notwithstanding such a termination.

g. Where the Contractor’s place of business is not in England or Wales (or Scotland where the Parties agree pursuant to the Contract that Scots Law should apply), the Contractor irrevocably appoints the solicitors or other persons in England and Wales (or Scotland where the Parties agree pursuant to the Contract that Scots Law should apply) detailed in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) as their agents to accept on their behalf service of all process and other documents of whatever description to be served on the Contractor in connection with any litigation or arbitration within the English jurisdiction (or Scottish jurisdiction where the Parties agree pursuant to the Contract that Scots Law should apply) arising out of or relating to the Contract or any issue connected therewith.

**5. Precedence**

a. If there is any inconsistency between the different provisions of the Contract the inconsistency shall be resolved according to the following descending order of precedence:

(1) Conditions 1 - 44 (and 45 - 47, if included in the Contract) of the Conditions of the Contract shall be given equal precedence with Schedule 1 (Definitions of Contract) and Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet);

(2) Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) and Schedule 8 (Acceptance Procedure);

(3) the remaining Schedules; and

(4) any other documents expressly referred to in the Contract.

b. If either Party becomes aware of any inconsistency within or between the documents referred to in clause 5.a such Party shall notify the other Party forthwith and the Parties will seek to resolve that inconsistency on the basis of the order of precedence set out in clause 5.a. Where the Parties fail to reach agreement, and if either Party considers the inconsistency to be material to its rights and obligations under the Contract, then the matter will be referred to the dispute resolution procedure in accordance with Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution).

**6. Formal Amendments to the Contract**

a. Except as provided in Condition 31 and subject to clause 6.c, the Contract may only be amended by the written agreement of the Parties (or their duly authorised representatives acting on their behalf). Such written agreement shall consist of:

(1) the Authority Notice of Change under Schedule 4 (Contract Change Control Procedure) (where used) and;

(2) the Contractor's unqualified acceptance of the contractual amendments as evidenced by the DEFFORM 10B duly signed by the Contractor.

b. Where required by the Authority in connection with any such amendment, the Contractor shall (as so required) confirm that any existing Parent Company Guarantee is sufficiently comprehensive so as to cover and support all of the Contractor's liabilities and obligations under and in connection with the Contract (as amended by such amendment) or provide a revised Parent Company Guarantee with such DEFFORM 10B to achieve the same purposes.

c. Where the Authority wishes to amend the Contract to incorporate any work that is unpriced at the time of amendment:

(1) if the Contract is not a Qualifying Defence Contract, the Authority shall have the right to settle with the Contractor a price for such work under the terms of DEFCON 643 (SC2) or DEFCON 127. Where DEFCON 643 (SC2) is used, the Contractor shall make all appropriate arrangements with all its Subcontractors affected by the Change or Changes in accordance with clause 5 of DEFCON 643 (SC2); or

(2) if the Contract is a Qualifying Defence Contract, the Contract Price shall be redetermined on amendment in accordance with the Defence Reform Act 2014 and Single Source Contract Regulations 2014 (each as amended from time to time).

**Changes to the Specification**

d. The Specification forms part of the Contract and all Contract Deliverables to be supplied by the Contractor under the Contract shall conform in all respects with the Specification.

e. The Contractor shall use a configuration control system to control all changes to the Specification. The configuration control system shall be compatible with ISO 9001 (latest published version) or as specified in the Contract.

**7. Authority Representatives**

a. Any reference to the Authority in respect of:

(1) the giving of consent;

(2) the delivering of any Notices; or

(3) the doing of any other thing that may reasonably be undertaken by an individual acting on behalf of the Authority,

shall be deemed to be references to the Authority's Representatives in accordance with this Condition 7.

b. The Authority’s Representatives detailed in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) (or their nominated deputy) shall have full authority to act on behalf of the Authority for all purposes of the Contract. Unless notified in writing before such act or instruction, the Contractor shall be entitled to treat any act of the Authority’s Representatives which is authorised by the Contract as being expressly authorised by the Authority and the Contractor shall not be required to determine whether authority has in fact been given.

c. In the event of any change to the identity of the Authority’s Representatives, the Authority shall provide written confirmation to the Contractor, and shall update Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract).

**8. Severability**

a. If any provision of the Contract is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable to any extent then:

(1) such provision shall (to the extent that it is invalid, illegal or unenforceable) be given no effect and shall be deemed not to be included in the Contract but without invalidating any of the remaining provisions of the Contract; and

(2) the Parties shall use all reasonable endeavours to replace the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision by a valid, legal and enforceable substitute provision the effect of which is as close as possible to the intended effect of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

**9. Waiver**

a. No act or omission of either Party shall by itself amount to a waiver of any right or remedy unless expressly stated by that Party in writing. In particular, no reasonable delay in exercising any right or remedy shall by itself constitute a waiver of that right or remedy.

b. No waiver in respect of any right or remedy shall operate as a waiver in respect of any other right or remedy.

**10. Assignment of Contract**

Neither Party shall be entitled to assign the Contract (or any part thereof) without the prior written consent of the other Party.

**11. Third Party Rights**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in the Contract, no right is granted to any person who is not a Party to the Contract to enforce any term of the Contract in its own right and the Parties to the Contract declare that they have no intention to grant any such right.

**12. Transparency**

a. Notwithstanding any other term of this Contract, including Condition 13 (Disclosure of Information), the Contractor understands that the Authority may publish the Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information to the general public.

b. Subject to clause 12.c the Authority shall publish and maintain an up-to-date version of the Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information in a format readily accessible and reusable by the general public under an open licence where applicable.

c. If, in the Authority's reasonable opinion, publication of any element of the Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information would be contrary to the public interest, the Authority shall be entitled to exclude such Information from publication. The Authority acknowledges that it would expect the public interest by default to be best served by publication of the Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information in its entirety. Accordingly, the Authority acknowledges that it shall only exclude Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information from publication in exceptional circumstances and agrees that where it decides to exclude Information from publication on that basis, it will provide a clear statement to the general public explaining the categories of information that have been excluded from publication and reasons for withholding that information.

d. The Contractor shall assist and co-operate with the Authority as reasonably required to enable the Authority to publish the Transparency Information and Publishable Performance Information, in accordance with the principles set out above, including through compliance with the requirements relating to the preparation of Publishable Performance Information set out in clause 12.e to 12.i. Where the Authority publishes Transparency Information, it shall:

(1) before publishing, redact any Information that would be exempt from disclosure if it was the subject of a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), for the avoidance of doubt, including Sensitive information;

(2) taking account the Sensitive Information set out in Schedule 5, consult with the Contractor where the Authority intends to publish Information which has been identified as Sensitive Information. For the avoidance of doubt the Authority, acting reasonably, shall have absolute discretion to decide what information shall be published or be exempt from disclosure in accordance with the FOIA and/or the EIR; and

(3) present information in a format that assists the general public in understanding the relevance and completeness of the information being published to ensure the public obtain a fair view on how this Contract is being performed.

**Publishable Performance Information**

e. Within three (3) months of the effective date of Contract the Contractor shall provide to the Authority for its approval (such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) a draft Publishable Performance Information KPI Data Report consistent with the content requirements of Schedule 9.

f. If the Authority rejects any draft Publishable Performance Information the Contractor shall submit a revised version of the relevant KPI Data Report for further approval by the Authority with five (5) business days of receipt of any notice or rejection, taking account of any recommendations for revision and improvement to the report provided by the Authority. This process shall be repeated until the parties have an agreed version of the Publishable Performance Information.

g. The Contractor shall provide an accurate and up-to-date version of the KPI Data Report to the Authority for each quarter at the frequency referred to in the agreed Schedule 9.

h. Any dispute in connection with the preparation and/or approval of Publishable Performance Information, other than under clause 12.f, shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution procedure provided for in this Contract.

i. The requirements of this Condition are in addition to any other reporting requirements in this Contract.

**13. Disclosure of Information**

a. Subject to clauses 13.d to 13.i and Condition 12 each Party:

(1) shall treat in confidence all Information it receives from the other;

(2) shall not disclose any of that Information to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld, except that the Contractor may disclose Information in confidence, without prior consent, to such persons and to such extent as may be necessary for the performance of the Contract;

(3) shall not use any of that Information otherwise than for the purpose of the Contract; and

(4) shall not copy any of that Information except to the extent necessary for the purpose of exercising its rights of use and disclosure under the Contract.

b. The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions necessary to ensure that all Information disclosed to the Contractor by or on behalf of the Authority under or in connection with the Contract:

(1) is disclosed to their employees and Subcontractors, only to the extent necessary for the performance of the Contract;

and

(2) is treated in confidence by them and not disclosed except with the prior written consent of the Authority or used otherwise than for the purpose of performing work or having work performed for the Authority under the Contract or any subcontract.

c. The Contractor shall ensure that their employees are aware of the Contractor’s arrangements for discharging the obligations at clauses 13.a and 13.b before receiving Information and shall take such steps as may be reasonably practical to enforce such arrangements.

d. A Party shall not be in breach of Clauses 13.a, 13.b, 13.f, 13.g and 13.h to the extent that either Party:

(1) exercises rights of use or disclosure granted otherwise than in consequence of, or under, the Contract;

(2) has the right to use or disclose the Information in accordance with other Conditions of the Contract; or

(3) can show:

(a) that the Information was or has become published or publicly available for use otherwise than in breach of any provision of the Contract or any other agreement between the Parties;

(b) that the Information was already known to it (without restrictions on disclosure or use) prior to receiving the Information under or in connection with the Contract;

(c) that the Information was received without restriction on further disclosure from a third party which lawfully acquired the Information without any restriction on disclosure; or

(d) from its records that the same Information was derived independently of that received under or in connection with the Contract;

provided that the relationship to any other Information is not revealed.

e. Neither Party shall be in breach of this Condition where it can show that any disclosure of Information was made solely and to the extent necessary to comply with a statutory, judicial or parliamentary obligation. Where such a disclosure is made, the Party making the disclosure shall ensure that the recipient of the Information is made aware of and asked to respect its confidentiality. Such disclosure shall in no way diminish the obligations of the Parties under this Condition.

f. The Authority may disclose the Information:

(1) to any Central Government Body for any proper purpose of the Authority or of the relevant Central Government Body, which shall include: disclosure to the Cabinet Office and/or HM Treasury for the purpose of ensuring effective cross-Government procurement processes, including value for money and related purposes. Where such a disclosure is made the Authority shall ensure that the recipient is made aware of its confidentiality;

(2) to Parliament and Parliamentary Committees or if required by any Parliamentary reporting requirement;

(3) to the extent that the Authority (acting reasonably) deems disclosure necessary or appropriate in the course of carrying out its public functions;

(4) subject to clause 13.g below, on a confidential basis to a professional adviser, consultant or other person engaged by any of the entities defined in Schedule 1 (including benchmarking organisations) for any purpose relating to or connected with the Contract;

(5) subject to clause 13.g below, on a confidential basis for the purpose of the exercise of its rights under the Contract; or

(6) on a confidential basis to a proposed body in connection with any assignment, novation or disposal of any of its rights, obligations or liabilities under the Contract;

and for the purposes of the foregoing, references to disclosure on a confidential basis shall mean disclosure subject to a confidentiality agreement or arrangement containing terms no less stringent than those placed on the Authority under this Condition.

g. Where the Authority intends to disclose Information to a commercial entity which is not a Central Government Body in accordance with clauses 13.f.(4) or 13.f.(5) above, the Authority will endeavour to provide the Contractor with 3 Business Days' notice in advance of such disclosure. In relation to a disclosure of Information made under clause 13.f.(3) above, if reasonably requested by the Contractor within 2 Business Days of such notice being given, where the Authority has not already done so, it will endeavour to procure from the intended recipient of the Information an agreement containing confidentiality terms the same as, or substantially similar to, those placed on the Authority under this Condition.

h. Before sharing any Information in accordance with clause 13.f, the Authority may redact the Information. Any decision to redact Information made by the Authority shall be final.

i. The Authority shall not be in breach of the Contract where disclosure of Information is made solely and to the extent necessary to comply with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “Act”) or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (the “Regulations”). To the extent permitted by the time for compliance under the Act or the Regulations, the Authority shall consult the Contractor where the Authority is considering the disclosure of Information under the Act or the Regulations and, in any event, shall provide prior notification to the Contractor of any decision to disclose the Information. The Contractor acknowledges and accepts that their representations on disclosure during consultation may not be determinative and that the decision whether to disclose Information in order to comply with the Act or the Regulations is a matter in which the Authority shall exercise its own discretion, subject always to the provisions of the Act or the Regulations.

j. Nothing in this Condition shall affect the Parties' obligations of confidentiality where Information is disclosed orally in confidence.

**14. Publicity and Communications with the Media**

The Contractor shall not and shall ensure that any employee or Subcontractor shall not communicate with representatives of the press, television, radio or other media on any matter concerning the Contract unless the Authority has given its prior written consent.

**15. Change of Control of Contractor**

a. The Contractor shall notify the Representative of the Authority at the address given in clause 15.b, as soon as practicable, in writing of any intended, planned or actual change in control of the Contractor, including any Subcontractors. The Contractor shall not be required to submit any notice which is unlawful or is in breach of either any pre-existing non-disclosure agreement or any regulations governing the conduct of the Contractor in the UK or other jurisdictions where the Contractor may be subject to legal sanction arising from issuing such a notice.

b. Each notice of change of control shall be taken to apply to all contracts with the Authority. Notices shall be submitted to:

 Mergers & Acquisitions Section

 Strategic Supplier Management Team

 Spruce 3b # 1301

 MOD Abbey Wood,

 Bristol, BS34 8JH

**and** emailed to: DefComrclSSM-MergersandAcq@mod.gov.uk

c. The Representative of the Authority shall consider the notice of change of control and advise the Contractor in writing of any concerns the Authority may have. Such concerns may include but are not limited to potential threats to national security, the ability of the Authority to comply with its statutory obligations or matters covered by the declarations made by the Contractor prior to contract award.

d. The Authority may terminate the Contract by giving written notice to the Contractor within six months of the Authority being notified in accordance with clause 15.a. The Authority shall act reasonably in exercising its right of termination under this Condition.

e. If the Authority exercises its right to terminate in accordance with clause 15.d the Contractor shall be entitled to request the Authority to consider making a payment representing any commitments, liabilities or expenditure incurred by the Contractor in connection with the Contract up to the point of termination. Such commitments, liabilities or expenditure shall be reasonably and properly chargeable by the Contractor, and shall otherwise represent an unavoidable loss by the Contractor by reason of the termination of the Contract. Any payment under this clause 15.e must be fully supported by documentary evidence. The decision whether to make such a payment shall be at the Authority’s sole discretion.

f. Notification by the Contractor of any intended, planned or actual change of control shall not prejudice the existing rights of the Authority or the Contractor under the Contract nor create or imply any rights of either the Contractor or the Authority additional to the Authority’s rights set out in this Condition.

**16. Environmental Requirements**

The Contractor shall in all their operations to perform the Contract, adopt a sound proactive environmental approach that identifies, considers, and where possible, mitigates the environmental impacts of their supply chain. The Contractor shall provide evidence of so doing to the Authority on demand.

**17. Contractor’s Records**

a. The Contractor and their Subcontractors shall maintain all records specified in and connected with the Contract (expressly or otherwise) and make them available to the Authority when requested on reasonable notice.

b. The Contractor and their Subcontractors shall also permit access to relevant records that relate to the contractual obligations to supply goods or services under the Contract, held by or controlled by them and reasonably required by the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and any appointed representative of the National Audit Office, and provide such explanations and information as reasonably necessary for the following purposes:

(1) to enable the National Audit Office to carry out the Authority’s statutory audits and to examine and/or certify the Authority’s annual and interim report and accounts; and

(2) to enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Part II of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Authority has used its resources.

c. With regard to the records made available to the Authority under clause 17.a of this Condition, and subject to the provisions of Condition 13 (Disclosure of Information), the Contractor shall permit records to be examined and if necessary copied, by the Authority, or Representative of the Authority, as the Authority may require.

d. Unless the Contract specifies otherwise the records referred to in this Condition shall be retained for a period of at least 6 years from:

(1) the end of the Contract term;

(2) the termination of the Contract; or

(3) the final payment,

whichever occurs latest.

**18. Notices**

a. A Notice served under the Contract shall be:

(1) in writing in the English language;

(2) authenticated by signature or such other method as may be agreed between the Parties;

(3) sent for the attention of the other Party’s Representative, and to the address set out in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet);

(4) marked with the number of the Contract; and

(5) delivered by hand, prepaid post (or airmail), facsimile transmission or, if agreed in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet), by electronic mail.

b. Notices shall be deemed to have been received:

(1) if delivered by hand, on the day of delivery if it is the recipient’s Business Day and otherwise on the first Business Day of the recipient immediately following the day of delivery;

(2) if sent by prepaid post, on the fourth Business Day (or the tenth Business Day in the case of airmail) after the day of posting;

(3) if sent by facsimile or electronic means:

(a) if transmitted between 09:00 and 17:00 hours on a Business Day (recipient’s time) on completion of receipt by the sender of verification of the transmission from the receiving instrument; or

(b) if transmitted at any other time, at 09:00 on the first Business Day (recipient’s time) following the completion of receipt by the sender of verification of transmission from the receiving instrument.

**19. Progress Monitoring, Meetings and Reports**

a. The Contractor shall attend progress meetings at the frequency or times (if any) specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) and shall ensure that their Contractor’s representatives are suitably qualified to attend such meetings.

b. The Contractor shall submit progress reports to the Authority’s Representatives at the times and in the format (if any) specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet). The reports shall detail as a minimum:

(1) performance/Delivery of the Contractor Deliverables;

(2) risks and opportunities;

(3) any other information specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet); and

(4) any other information reasonably requested by the Authority.

**20. Supply of Contractor Deliverables and Quality Assurance**

a. The Contractor shall provide the Contractor Deliverables to the Authority, in accordance with the Schedule of Requirements and the Specification, and shall allocate sufficient resource to the provision of the Contractor Deliverables to enable it to comply with this obligation.

b. The Contractor shall:

(1) comply with any applicable quality assurance requirements specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) in providing the Contractor Deliverables; and

(2) discharge their obligations under the Contract with all due skill, care, diligence and operating practice by appropriately experienced, qualified and trained personnel.

c. The provisions of clause 20.b. shall survive any performance, acceptance or payment pursuant to the Contract and shall extend to any remedial services provided by the Contractor.

d. The Contractor shall:

(1) observe, and ensure that the Contractor’s Team observe, all health and safety rules and regulations and any other security requirements that apply at any of the Authority’s premises;

(2) notify the Authority as soon as they become aware of any health and safety hazards or issues which arise in relation to the Contractor Deliverables; and

(3) before the date on which the Contractor Deliverables are to start, obtain, and at all times maintain, all necessary licences and consents in relation to the Contractor Deliverables.

**21. Marking of Contractor Deliverables**

a. Each Contractor Deliverable shall be marked in accordance with the requirements specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet), if no such requirement is specified, the Contractor shall mark each Contractor Deliverable clearly and indelibly in accordance with the requirements of the relevant DEF-STAN 05-132 as specified in the contract or specification. In the absence of such requirements, the Contractor Deliverables shall be marked with the MOD stock reference, NATO Stock Number (NSN) or alternative reference number specified in Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements).

b. Any marking method used shall not have a detrimental effect on the strength, serviceability or corrosion resistance of the Contractor Deliverables.

c. The marking shall include any serial numbers allocated to the Contractor Deliverable.

d. Where because of its size or nature it is not possible to mark a Contractor Deliverable with the required particulars, the required information should be included on the package or carton in which the Contractor Deliverable is packed, in accordance with Condition 22 (Packaging and Labelling (excluding Contractor Deliverables containing Munitions)).

**22. Packaging and Labelling (excluding Contractor Deliverables containing Munitions)**

a. Packaging responsibilities are as follows:

(1) The Contractor shall be responsible for providing Packaging which fully complies with the requirements of the Contract.

(2) The Authority shall indicate in the Contract the standard or level of Packaging required for each Contractor Deliverable, including the PPQ. If a standard or level of Packaging (including the PPQ) is not indicated in the Contract, the Contractor shall request such instructions from the Authority before proceeding further.

(3) The Contractor shall ensure all relevant information necessary for the effective performance of the Contract is made available to all Subcontractors.

(4) Where the Contractor or any of their Subcontractors have concerns relating to the appropriateness of the Packaging design and or MPL prior to manufacture or supply of the Contractor Deliverables they shall use DEFFORM 129B to feedback these concerns to the Contractor or Authority, as appropriate.

b. The Contractor shall supply Commercial Packaging meeting the standards and requirements of Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1). In addition, the following requirements apply:

(1) The Contractor shall provide Packaging which:

(a) will ensure that each Contractor Deliverable may be transported and delivered to the consignee named in the Contract in an undamaged and serviceable condition; and

(b) is labelled to enable the contents to be identified without need to breach the package; and

(2) The Packaging used by the Contractor to supply identical or similar Contractor Deliverables to commercial customers or to the general public (i.e. point of sale packaging) will be acceptable, provided that it complies with the following criteria:

(a) reference in the Contract to a PPQ means the quantity of a Contractor Deliverable to be contained in an individual package, which has been selected as being the most suitable for issue(s) to the ultimate user;

(b) Robust Contractor Deliverables, which by their nature require minimal or no packaging for commercial deliveries, shall be regarded as "PPQ packages" and shall be marked in accordance with clauses 22.i to 22.l. References to "PPQ packages" in subsequent text shall be taken to include Robust Contractor Deliverables; and

(c) for ease of handling, transportation and delivery, packages which contain identical Contractor Deliverables may be bulked and overpacked, in accordance with clauses 22.i to 22.k.

c. The Contractor shall ascertain whether the Contractor Deliverables being supplied are, or contain, Dangerous Goods, and shall supply the Dangerous Goods in accordance with:

(1) The Health and Safety At Work Act 1974 (as amended);

(2) The Classification Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply Regulations (CHIP4) 2009 (as amended);

(3) The REACH Regulations 2007 (as amended); and

(4) The Classification, Labelling and Packaging Regulations (CLP) 2009 (as amended).

d. The Contractor shall package the Dangerous Goods as limited quantities, excepted quantities or similar derogations, for UK or worldwide shipment by all modes of transport in accordance with the regulations relating to the Dangerous Goods and:

(1) The Safety Of Lives At Sea Regulations (SOLAS) 1974 (as amended); and

(2) The Air Navigation (Amendment) Order 2019.

e. As soon as possible, and in any event no later than one month before delivery is due, the Contractor shall provide a Safety Data Sheet in respect of each Dangerous Good in accordance with the REACH Regulations 2007 (as amended) and the Health and Safety At Work Act 1974 (as amended) and in accordance with Condition 24 (Supply of Hazardous Materials or Substances in Contractor Deliverables).

f. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements for the design of MLP which include clauses 22.f and 22.g as follows:

(1) Where there is a requirement to design UK or NATO MLP, the work shall be undertaken by an MPAS registered organisation, or one that although non-registered is able to demonstrate to the Authority that their quality systems and military package design expertise are of an equivalent standard.

(a) The MPAS certification (for individual designers) and registration (for organisations) scheme details are available from:

DES LSOC SpSvcs--SptEng-Pkg1

MOD Abbey Wood

Bristol, BS34 8JH

Tel. +44(0)30679-35353

DESLSOC-SpSvcs-SptEng-Pkg1@mod.gov.uk

(b) The MPAS Documentation is also available on the DStan website.

(2) MLP shall be designed to comply with the relevant requirements of Def Stan 81-041, and be capable of meeting the appropriate test requirements of Def Stan 81-041 (Part 3). Packaging designs shall be prepared on a SPIS, in accordance with Def Stan 81-041 (Part 4).

(3) The Contractor shall ensure a search of the SPIS index (the ‘SPIN’) is carried out to establish the SPIS status of each requirement (using DEFFORM 129a ‘Application for Packaging Designs or their Status’).

(4) New designs shall not be made where there is an existing usable SPIS, or one that may be easily modified.

(5) Where there is a usable SFS, it shall be used in place of a SPIS design unless otherwise stated by the Contract. When an SFS is used or replaces a SPIS design, the Contractor shall upload this information on to SPIN in Adobe PDF.

(6) All SPIS, new or modified (and associated documentation), shall, on completion, be uploaded by the Contractor on to SPIN. The format shall be Adobe PDF.

(7) Where it is necessary to use an existing SPIS design, the Contractor shall ensure the Packaging manufacturer is a registered organisation in accordance with clause 22.f.(1) above, or if un-registered, is compliant with MPAS ANNEX A Supplement (Code) M. The Contractor shall ensure, as far as possible, that the SPIS is up to date.

(8) The documents supplied under clause 22.f.(6) shall be considered as a contract data requirement and be subject to the terms of DEFCON 15 and DEFCON 21.

g. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract, one of the following procedures for the production of new or modified SPIS designs shall be applied:

(1) If the Contractor or their Subcontractor is the PDA they shall:

(a) On receipt of instructions received from the Authority’s representative nominated in Box 2 Annex A to Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet), prepare the required package design in accordance with clause 22.f.

(b) Where the Contractor or their Subcontractor is registered, they shall, on completion of any design work, provide the Authority with the following documents electronically:

i. a list of all SPIS which have been prepared or revised against the Contract; and

ii. a copy of all new / revised SPIS, complete with all continuation sheets and associated drawings, where applicable, to be uploaded onto SPIN.

(c) Where the PDA is not a registered organisation, then they shall obtain approval for their design from a registered organisation before proceeding, then follow clause 22.g.(1)(b).

(2) Where the Contractor or their Subcontractor is not the PDA and is un-registered, they shall not produce, modify, or update SPIS designs. They shall obtain current SPIS design(s) from the Authority or a registered organisation before proceeding with manufacture of Packaging. To allow designs to be provided in ample time, they should apply for SPIS designs as soon as practicable.

(3) Where the Contractor or their Subcontractor is un-registered and has been given authority to produce, modify, and update SPIS designs by the Contract, they shall obtain approval for their design from a registered organisation using DEFFORM 129a before proceeding, then follow clause 22.g.(1)(b).

(4) Where the Contractor or their Subcontractor is not a PDA but is registered, they shall follow clauses 22.g.(1)(a) and 22.g.(1)(b).

h. If special jigs, tooling etc., are required for the production of MLP, the Contractor shall obtain written approval from the Commercial Officer before providing them. Any approval given will be subject to the terms of DEFCON 23 (SC2) or equivalent condition, as appropriate.

i. In addition to any marking required by international or national legislation or regulations, the following package labelling and marking requirements apply:

(1) If the Contract specifies UK or NATO MPL, labelling and marking of the packages shall be in accordance with Def Stan 81-041 (Part 6) and this Condition as follows:

(a) Labels giving the mass of the package, in kilograms, shall be placed such that they may be clearly seen when the items are stacked during storage.

(b) Each consignment package shall be marked with details as follows:

i. name and address of consignor;

ii. name and address of consignee (as stated in the Contract or order);

iii. destination where it differs from the consignee's address, normally either:

(i). delivery destination / address; or

(ii). transit destination, where delivery address is a point for aggregation / disaggregation and / or onward shipment elsewhere, e.g. railway station, where that mode of transport is used;

iv. the unique order identifiers and the CP&F Delivery Label / Form which shall be prepared in accordance with DEFFORM 129J.

(i). If aggregated packages are used, their consignment marking and identification requirements are stated at clause 22.l.

(2) If the Contract specifies Commercial Packaging, an external surface of each PPQ package and each consignment package, if it contains identical PPQ packages, shall be marked, using details of the Contractor Deliverables as shown in the Contract schedule, to state the following:

(a) description of the Contractor Deliverable;

(b) the full thirteen digit NATO Stock Number (NSN);

(c) the PPQ;

(d) maker's part / catalogue, serial and / or batch number, as appropriate;

(e) the Contract and order number when applicable;

(f) the words “Trade Package” in bold lettering, marked in BLUE in respect of trade packages, and BLACK in respect of export trade packages;

(g) shelf life of item where applicable;

(h) for rubber items or items containing rubber, the quarter and year of vulcanisation or manufacture of the rubber product or component (marked in accordance with Def Stan 81-041);

(i) any statutory hazard markings and any handling markings, including the mass of any package which exceeds 3kg gross, and;

(j) any additional markings specified in the Contract.

j. Bar code marking shall be applied to the external surface of each consignment package and to each PPQ package contained therein. The default symbology shall be as specified in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 6). As a minimum the following information shall be marked on packages:

(1) the full 13-digit NSN;

(2) denomination of quantity (D of Q);

(3) actual quantity (quantity in package);

(4) manufacturer's serial number and / or batch number, if one has been allocated, and;

(5) the CP&F-generated unique order identifier.

k. Requirements for positioning bar codes in relation to related text, as well as positioning on package etc., are defined in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 6). If size of the bar code does not allow a label to be directly attached, then a tag may be used. Any difficulties over size or positioning of barcode markings shall initially be referred to the organisation nominated in Box 3 of Annex A to Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet).

l. The requirements for the consignment of aggregated packages are as follows:

(1) With the exception of packages containing Dangerous Goods, over-packing for delivery to the consignee shown in the Contract may be used by the consignor to aggregate a number of packages to different Packaging levels, provided that the package contains Contractor Deliverables of only one NSN or class group. Over-packing shall be in the cheapest commercial form consistent with ease of handling and protection of over-packed items.

(2) Two adjacent sides of the outer container shall be clearly marked to show the following:

(a) class group number;

(b) name and address of consignor;

(c) name and address of consignee (as stated on the Contract or order);

(d) destination if it differs from the consignee's address, normally either:

i. delivery destination / address, or;

ii. transit destination, if the delivery address is a point of aggregation / disaggregation and / or onward shipment e.g. railway station, where that mode of transport is used;

(e) where applicable, the reference number of the delivery note produced by CP&F relating to the contents. The consignee's copy of each delivery note shall be placed in the case / container. If the Contractor Deliverables listed in the delivery note are packed in several cases, the consignee's copy shall be placed in the first case and a separate list detailing the contents shall be prepared for each case after the first and placed in the case to which it relates. Each case is to be numbered to indicate both the number of the case and the total number of cases concerned e.g. 1/3, 2/3, 3/3;

(f) the CP&F-generated shipping label, and;

(g) any statutory hazard markings and any handling markings.

m. Authorisation of the Contractor to undertake Packaging design, or to use a packaging design, that was not part of the original requirement under the Contract, shall be considered as an alteration to the specification in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract).

n. The Contractor shall ensure that timber- and wood-containing products supplied under the Contract comply with the provisions of Condition 25 (Timber and Wood-Derived Products) and Annex I and Annex II of the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures, "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade", Publication No 15 (ISPM 15).

o. All Packaging shall meet the requirements of the Packaging (Essential Requirements) Regulations 2003 (as amended) where applicable.

p. In any design work the Contractor shall comply with the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007 (as amended) or equivalent legislation. Evidence of compliance shall be a contractor record in accordance with Condition 17 (Contractor’s Records).

q. This Condition is concerned with the supply of Packaging suitable to protect and ease handling, transport and storage of specified items. Where there is a failure of suitable Packaging (a design failure), or Packaging fails and this is attributed to the Packaging supplier, then the supplier shall be liable for the cost of replacing the Packaging.

r. Liability for other losses resulting from Packaging failure or resulting from damage to Packaging, (such as damage to the packaged item etc.), shall be specified elsewhere in the Contract.

s. General requirements for service Packaging, including details of UK and NATO MLP and Commercial Packaging descriptions, are contained in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1) "Packaging of Defence Materiel". Def Stans, NATO Standardisation Agreements (STANAGs), and further information are available from the DStan internet site at: https://www.dstan.mod.uk/

t. Unless specifically stated otherwise in the invitation to tender or the Contract, reference to any standard including Def Stans or STANAGs in any invitation to tender or Contract document means the edition and all amendments extant at the date of such tender or Contract.

u. In the event of conflict between the Contract and Def Stan 81-041, the Contract shall take precedence.

**23.Plastic Packaging Tax**

a. The Contractor shall ensure that any PPT due in relation to this Contract is paid in accordance with the PPT Legislation.

b. The Contract Price includes any PPT that may be payable by the Contractor in relation to the Contract.

c. On reasonable notice being provided by the Authority, the Contractor shall provide and make available to the Authority details of any PPT they have paid that relates to the Contract.

d. The Contractor shall notify the Authority, in writing, in the event that there is any adjustment required to the Contract Price in accordance with section 70 of the Finance Act 2021 and, on reasonable notice being provided by the Authority, the Contractor shall provide any such information that the Authority requires in relation to any such adjustment.

e. In accordance with Condition 17 the Contractor (and their sub-contractors) shall maintain all records relating to PPT and make them available to the Authority when requested on reasonable notice for reasons related to the Contract.

f. Where the Contractor manufactures, purchases or imports into the UK any Plastic Packaging Component in relation to the Contract the Contractor shall, on reasonable notice being given, provide the Authority with such information and documentation that it requires to enable the Authority to carry out due diligence checks and satisfy itself that the Contractor has complied with the requirements of the PPT Legislation. This shall include, but is not limited to the Contractor providing:

(1) confirmation of the tax status of any Plastic Packaging Component;

(2) documents to confirm that PPT has been properly accounted for;

(3) product specifications for the packaging components, including, but not limited to, the weight and composition of the products and any other product specifications that may be required; and

(4) copies of any certifications or audits that have been obtained or conducted in relation to the provision of Plastic Packaging Components.

g. The Authority shall have the right, on providing reasonable notice, to physically inspect or conduct an audit on the Contractor, to ensure any information that has been provided in accordance with clause 23.f above is accurate.

h. In the event the Contractor is not required to register for PPT they (and to the extent applicable, their sub-contractors) shall provide the Authority with a statement to this effect and, to the extent reasonably required by the Authority on reasonable notice, supporting evidence for that statement.

i. The Contractor shall provide, on the Authority providing reasonable notice, any information that the Authority may require from the Contractor for the Authority to comply with any obligations it may have under the PPT Legislation.

**24. Supply of Data for Hazardous Materials or Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables**

a. Nothing in this Condition shall reduce or limit any statutory duty or legal obligation of the Authority or the Contractor.

b. The Contractor shall provide to the Authority:

(1) for each Substance, Mixture or Article supplied in meeting the criteria of classification as hazardous in accordance with the GB Classification, Labelling and Packaging (GB CLP) a UK REACH compliant Safety Data Sheet (SDS);

(2) where Mixtures supplied do not meet the criteria for classification as hazardous according to GB CLP but contain a hazardous Substance an SDS is to be made available on request; and

(3) for each Article whether supplied on its own or part of an assembly that contains a Substance on the UK REACH Authorisation List, Restriction List and/or the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in a proportion greater than 0.1% w/w of the Article, sufficient information, available to the Contractor, to allow safe use of the Article including, as a minimum, the name of that Substance.

c. For Substances, Mixtures or Articles that meet the criteria list in clause 24.b above:

(1) if the Contractor becomes aware of new information which may affect the risk management measures or new information on the hazard, the Contractor shall update the SDS/safety information and forward it to the Authority and to the address listed in clause 24.i below; and

(2) if the Authority becomes aware of new information that might call into question the appropriateness of the risk management measures identified in the safety information supplied, shall report this information in writing to the Contractor.

d. The Contractor shall provide to the Authority a completed Schedule 6 (Hazardous Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements) in accordance with Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet).

e. If the Substances, Mixtures or Articles in Contractor Deliverables are Ordnance, Munitions or Explosives (OME), in addition to the requirements of the GB CLP and UK REACH the Contractor shall comply with hazard reporting requirements of DEF STAN 07-085 Design Requirements for Weapons and Associated Systems.

f. If the Substances, Mixtures or Articles in Contractor Deliverables, are or contain or embody a radioactive substance as defined in the Ionising Radiation Regulations SI 2017/1075, the Contractor shall additionally provide details in Schedule 6 of:

(1) activity, and;

(2) the substance and form (including any isotope).

g. If the Substances, Mixtures or Articles in Contractor Deliverables have magnetic properties which emit a magnetic field, the Contractor shall additionally provide details in Schedule 6 of the magnetic flux density at a defined distance, for the condition in which it is packed.

h. Any SDS to be provided in accordance with this Condition, including any related information to be supplied in compliance with the Contractor’s statutory duties under clause 24.b.(1) and 24.c.(1), any information arising from the provisions of clauses 24.f and 24.g and the completed Schedule 6, shall be sent directly to the Authority’s Point of Contact as specified in the Schedule 3 as soon as practicable, and no later than one (1) month prior to the Contract delivery date, unless otherwise stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet).

i. So that the safety information can reach users without delay, the Authority shall send a copy preferably as an email with attachment(s) in Adobe PDF or MS WORD format, or, if only hardcopy is available, to the addresses below:

(1) Hard copies to be sent to:

Hazardous Stores Information System (HSIS)

Spruce 2C, #1260,

MOD Abbey Wood (South)

Bristol BS34 8JH

(2) Emails to be sent to:

DESEngSfty-QSEPSEP-HSISMulti@mod.gov.uk

j. SDS which are classified above OFFICIAL including Explosive Hazard Data Sheets (EHDS) for OME are not to be sent to HSIS and must be held by the respective Authority Delivery Team.

k. Failure by the Contractor to comply with the requirements of this Condition shall be grounds for rejecting the affected Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables. Any withholding of information concerning hazardous Substances, Mixtures or Articles in Contractor Deliverables shall be regarded as a material breach of Contract under Condition 43 (Material Breach) for which the Authority reserves the right to require the Contractor to rectify the breach immediately at no additional cost to the Authority or to terminate the Contract in accordance with Condition 43.

l. Where delivery is made to the Defence Fulfilment Centre (DFC) and / or other Team Leidos location / building, the Contractor must comply with the Logistic Commodities and Services Transformation (LCST) Supplier Manual.

**25. Timber- and Wood-Derived Products**

a. All Timber and Wood-Derived Products supplied by the Contractor under the Contract:

(1) shall comply with the Contract Specification; and

(2) must originate either:

(a) from a Legal and Sustainable source; or

(b) from a FLEGT-licensed or equivalent source.

b. In addition to the requirements of clause 25.a, all Timber and Wood-Derived Products supplied by the Contractor under the Contract shall originate from a forest source where management of the forest has full regard for:

(1) identification, documentation and respect of legal, customary and traditional tenure and use rights related to the forest;

(2) mechanisms for resolving grievances and disputes including those relating to tenure and use rights, to forest management practices and to work conditions, and;

(3) safeguarding the basic labour rights and health and safety of forest workers.

c. If requested by the Authority, the Contractor shall provide to the Authority Evidence that the Timber and Wood-Derived Products supplied to the Authority under the Contract comply with the requirements of clause 25.a or 25.b or both.

d. The Authority reserves the right at any time during the execution of the Contract and for a period of five (5) years from final Delivery under the Contract to require the Contractor to produce the Evidence required for the Authority’s inspection within fourteen (14) days of the Authority’s request.

e. If the Contractor has already provided the Authority with the Evidence required under clause 25.c, the Contractor may satisfy these requirements by giving details of the previous notification and confirming the Evidence remains valid and satisfies the provisions of clauses 25.a or 25.b or both.

f. The Contractor shall maintain records of all Timber and Wood-Derived Products delivered to and accepted by the Authority, in accordance with Condition 17 (Contractor’s Records).

g. Notwithstanding clause 25.c, if exceptional circumstances render it strictly impractical for the Contractor to record Evidence of proof of timber origin for previously used Recycled Timber, the Contractor shall support the use of this Recycled Timber with:

(1) a record tracing the Recycled Timber to its previous end use as a standalone object or as part of a structure; and

(2) an explanation of the circumstances that rendered it impractical to record Evidence of proof of timber origin.

h. The Authority reserves the right to decide, except where in the Authority’s opinion the timber supplied is incidental to the requirement and from a low risk source, whether the Evidence submitted to it demonstrates compliance with clause 24.a or 24.b, or both. In the event that the Authority is not satisfied, the Contractor shall commission and meet the costs of an Independent Verification and resulting report that will:

(1) verify the forest source of the timber or wood; and

(2) assess whether the source meets the relevant criteria of clause 25.b.

i. The statistical reporting requirement at clause 25.j applies to all Timber and Wood-Derived Products delivered under the Contract. The Authority reserves the right to amend the requirement for statistical reporting, in the event that the UK Government changes the requirement for reporting compliance with the Government Timber Procurement Policy. Amendments to the statistical reporting requirement will be made in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract).

j. The Contractor shall provide to the Authority, a completed Schedule 7 (Timber and Wood-Derived Products Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements), the data or Information the Authority requires in respect of Timber and Wood-Derived Products delivered to the Authority under the Contract, or in respect of each order in the case of a Framework Agreement, or at such other frequency as stated in the Contract. The Contractor shall send all completed Schedule 7s (Timber and Wood-Derived Products Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements), including nil returns where appropriate, to the Authority’s Representative (Commercial).

k. The Schedule 7 (Timber and Wood-Derived Products Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements) may be amended by the Authority from time to time, in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract).

l. The Contractor shall obtain any wood, other than processed wood, used in Packaging from:

(1) companies that have a full registered status under the Forestry Commission and Timber Packaging and Pallet Confederation’s UK Wood Packaging Material Marking Programme (more detailed information can be accessed at www.forestry.gov.uk) and all such wood shall be treated for the elimination of raw wood pests and marked in accordance with that Programme; or

(2) sources supplying wood treated and marked so as to conform to Annex I and Annex II of the International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures, “Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade”, Publication No 15 published by the Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations (ISPM15) (more detailed information can be accessed at www.fao.org).

**26. Certificate of Conformity**

a. Where required in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) the Contractor shall provide a Certificate of Conformity (CofC) in accordance with Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) and any applicable Quality Plan. One copy of the CofC shall be sent to the Authority’s Representative (Commercial) upon Delivery, and one copy shall be provided to the Consignee upon Delivery.

b. Each CofC should include the wording "Certificate of Conformity" in the title of the document to allow for easy identification. One CofC is to be used per NSN/part number; a CofC must not cover multiple line items.

c. The Contractor shall consider the CofC to be a record in accordance with Condition 17 (Contractor’s Records).

d. The Information provided on the CofC shall include:

(1) Contractor’s name and address;

(2) Contractor unique CofC number;

(3) Contract number and where applicable Contract amendment number;

(4) details of any approved concessions;

(5) acquirer name and organisation;

(6) Delivery address;

(7) Contract Item Number from Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements);

(8) description of Contractor Deliverable, including part number, specification and configuration status;

(9) NATO Stock Number (NSN) (where allocated);

(10) identification marks, batch and serial numbers in accordance with the Specification;

(11) quantities;

(12) a signed and dated statement by the Contractor that the Contractor Deliverables comply with the requirements of the Contract and approved concessions.

Exceptions or additions to the above are to be documented.

e. Where Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) and any applicable Quality Plan require demonstration of traceability and design provenance through the supply chain the Contractor shall include in any relevant subcontract the requirement for the Information called for at clause 26.d. The Contractor shall ensure that this Information is available to the Authority through the supply chain upon request in accordance with Condition 17 (Contractor Records).

**27. Access to Contractor’s Premises**

a. The Contractor shall provide to the Authority’s Representatives following reasonable Notice, relevant accommodation/facilities, at no direct cost to the Authority, and all reasonable access to their premises for the purpose of monitoring the Contractor’s progress and quality standards in performing the Contract.

b. As far as reasonably practical, the Contractor shall ensure that the provisions of clause 27.a are included in their subcontracts with those suppliers identified in the Contract. The Authority, through the Contractor, shall arrange access to such Subcontractors.

**28. Delivery / Collection**

a. Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) shall specify whether the Contractor Deliverables are to be Delivered to the Consignee by the Contractor or Collected from the Consignor by the Authority.

b. Where the Contractor Deliverables are to be Delivered by the Contractor (or a third party acting on behalf of the Contractor), the Contractor shall, unless otherwise stated in writing:

(1) contact the Authority’s Representative as detailed in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) in advance of the Delivery Date in order to agree administrative arrangements for Delivery and provide any Information pertinent to Delivery requested;

(2) comply with any special instructions for arranging Delivery in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet);

(3) ensure that each consignment of the Contractor Deliverables is accompanied by, (as specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet)), a DEFFORM 129J in accordance with the instructions;

(4) be responsible for all costs of Delivery; and

(5) Deliver the Contractor Deliverables to the Consignee at the address stated in Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) by the Delivery Date between the hours agreed by the Parties.

c. Where the Contractor Deliverables are to be Collected by the Authority (or a third party acting on behalf of the Authority), the Contractor shall, unless otherwise stated in writing:

(1) contact the Authority’s Representative (Transport) as detailed in box 10 of Annex A to Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) in advance of the Delivery Date in order to agree specific arrangements for Collection and provide any Information pertinent to the Collection requested;

(2) comply with any special instructions for arranging Collection in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet);

(3) ensure that each consignment of the Contractor Deliverables is accompanied by, (as specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet)), a DEFFORM 129J in accordance with the instructions;

(4) ensure that the Contractor Deliverables are available for Collection by the Authority from the Consignor (as specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet)) by the Delivery Date between the hours agreed by the Parties; and

(5) in the case of Overseas consignments, ensure that the Contractor Deliverables are accompanied by the necessary transit documentation. All Customs clearance shall be the responsibility of the Authority’s Representative (Transport).

d. Title and risk in the Contractor Deliverables shall only pass from the Contractor to the Authority:

(1) on the Delivery of the Contractor Deliverables by the Contractor to the Consignee in accordance with clause 28.b; or

(2) on the Collection of the Contractor Deliverables from the Consignor by the Authority once they have been made available for Collection by the Contractor in accordance with clause 28.c.

**29. Acceptance**

a. Acceptance of the Contractor Deliverables shall occur in accordance with any acceptance procedure specified in Schedule 8 (Acceptance Procedure). If no acceptance procedure is so specified acceptance shall occur when either:

(1) the Authority does any act in relation to the Contractor Deliverable which is inconsistent with the Contractor’s ownership; or

(2) the time limit in which to reject the Contractor Deliverables defined in clause 30.b has elapsed.

**30. Rejection and Counterfeit Materiel**

**Rejection:**

a. If any of the Contractor Deliverables Delivered to the Authority do not conform to the Specification or any other terms of the Contract, then (without limiting any other right or remedy that the Authority may have) the Authority may reject the Contractor Deliverables (in whole or in part). The Authority shall return these Contractor Deliverables to the Contractor at the Contractor’s risk and cost.

b. Rejection of any of the Contractor Deliverables under clause 30.a shall take place by the time limit for rejection specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet), or if no such period is specified, the Contractor Deliverables shall be deemed to be accepted within a reasonable period of time.

**Counterfeit Materiel:**

c. Where the Authority suspects that any Contractor Deliverable or consignment of Contractor Deliverables contains Counterfeit Materiel, it shall:

(1) notify the Contractor in writing of its suspicion and reasons therefore;

(2) where reasonably practicable, and if requested by the Contractor within 10 Business Days of such notification, (at the Contractor’s own risk and expense and subject to any reasonable controls specified by the Authority) afford the Contractor the facility to (i) inspect the Contractor Deliverable or consignment and/or (ii) obtain a sample thereof for validation or testing purposes.

(3) at its discretion, provide the Contractor with a sample of the Contractor Deliverable or consignment for validation or testing purposes by the Contractor (at the Contractor`s own risk and expense);

(4) give the Contractor a further 20 Business Days or such other reasonable period agreed by the Authority, from the date of the inspection at 30.c.(2).(i) or the provision of a sample at 30.c.(2).(ii), to comment on whether the Contractor Deliverable or consignment meets the definition of Counterfeit Materiel; and

(5) determine, on the balance of probabilities and strictly on the evidence available to it at the time, whether the Contractor Deliverable or consignment meets the definition of Counterfeit Materiel.

d. Where the Authority has determined that the Contractor Deliverable, part or consignment of Contractor Deliverables contain Counterfeit Material then it may reject the Contractor Deliverable, part or consignment under 30.a and 30.b (Rejection),and provide written notification to the Contractor of the rejection.

e. In addition to its rights under 30.a and 30.b (Rejection), where the Authority has determined that any Contractor Deliverable or consignment of Contractor Deliverables contains Counterfeit Materiel, it shall be entitled to:

(1) retain any Counterfeit Materiel; and/or

(2) retain the whole or any part of such Contractor Deliverable or consignment where it is not possible to separate the Counterfeit Materiel from the rest of the Contractor Deliverable, or consignment;

and such retention shall not constitute acceptance under Condition 29 (Acceptance).

f. Where the Authority intends to exercise its rights under clause 30.e,the Contractor may, subject to the agreement of the Authority (and at the Contractor`s own risk and expense and subject to any reasonable controls and timeframe agreed), arrange for:

(1) the separation of Counterfeit Materiel from any Contractor Deliverable or part of a Contractor Deliverable; and/or

(2) the removal of any Contractor Deliverable or part of a Contractor Deliverable that the Authority is reasonably satisfied does not contain Counterfeit Materiel.

g. In respect of any Contractor Deliverable, consignment or part thereof that is retained in accordance with clause 30.e, including where the Authority permits the Contractor to remove non-Counterfeit Materiel under clause 30.f but the Contractor fails to do so within the period agreed and subject to clause 30.k, the Authority shall be entitled to exercise any, all, or any combination of, the following rights:

(1) to dispose of it responsible, and in a manner that does not permit its reintroduction into the supply chain or market;

(2) to pass it to a relevant investigatory or regulatory authority;

(3) to retain conduct or have conducted further testing including destructive testing, for further investigatory, regulatory or risk management purposes. Results from any such tests shall, at the discretion of the Authority, be shared with the Contractor; and/or

(4) to recover the appropriate, attributable, and reasonable costs incurred by the Authority in respect of testing, storage, access, and/or disposal of it from the Contractor;

and exercise of the rights granted at clauses 30.g.(1) to 30.g.(3) shall not constitute acceptance under Condition 29 (Acceptance).

h. Any scrap or other disposal payment received by the Authority shall be off set against any amount due to the Authority under clause 30.g.(4). If the value of the scrap or other disposal payment exceeds the amount due to the Authority under clause 30.g.(4) then the balance shall accrue to the Contractor.

i. The Authority shall not use a retained Contract Deliverable or consignment other than as permitted in clauses 30.c – 30.k.

j. The Authority may report a discovery of Counterfeit Materiel and disclose information necessary for the identification of similar materiel and its possible sources.

k. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment or compensation from the Authority as a result of the Authority exercising the rights set out in clauses 30.c – 30.k except:

(1) in relation to the balance that may accrue to the Contractor in accordance with clause 30.h; or

(2) where it has been determined in accordance with Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution) that the Authority has made an incorrect determination in accordance with clause 30.c.(5). In such circumstances the Authority shall reimburse the Contractors reasonable costs of complying with clause 30.c.

**31. Diversion Orders**

a. The Authority shall notify the Contractor at the earliest practicable opportunity if it becomes aware that a Contractor Deliverable is likely to be subject to a Diversion Order.

b. The Authority may issue a Diversion Order for the urgent delivery of the Contractor Deliverables identified in it. These Contractor Deliverables are to be delivered by the Contractor using the quickest means available as agreed by the Authority.

c. The Authority reserves the right to cancel the Diversion Order.

d. If the terms of the Diversion Order are unclear, the Contractor shall immediately contact the Representative of the Authority who issued it for clarification and/or further instruction.

e. If the Diversion Order increases the quantity of Contractor Deliverables beyond the scope of the Contract, it is to be returned immediately to the Authority’s Commercial Officer with an appropriate explanation.

f. The Contractor shall be entitled to reasonable additional delivery and packaging costs incurred in complying with the Diversion Order or cancellation. Claims are to be submitted by the Contractor to the Authority’s Commercial Officer together with applicable receipts and agreed as an amendment to the Contract in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract). The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Diversion Order upon receipt of the Diversion Order.

**32. Self-to-Self Delivery**

Where it is stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) that any Contractor Deliverable is to be Delivered by the Contractor to their own premises, or to those of a Subcontractor (‘self-to-self delivery’), the risk in such a Contractor Deliverable shall remain vested in the Contractor until such time as it is handed over to the Authority.

**Licences and Intellectual Property**

**33. Import and Export Licences**

a. If, in the performance of the Contract, the Contractor needs to import into the UK or export out of the UK anything not supplied by or on behalf of the Authority and for which a UK import or export licence is required, the responsibility for applying for he licence shall rest with the Contractor. The Authority shall provide the Contractor with sufficient information, certification, documentation and other reasonable assistance in obtaining any necessary UK import or export licence.

b. When an export licence or import licence or authorisation either singularly or in combination is required from a foreign government for the performance of the Contract, the Contractor shall as soon as reasonably practicable consult with the Authority on the licence requirements. Where the Contractor is the applicant for the licence or authorisation the Contractor shall:

(1) ensure that when end use or end user restrictions, or both, apply to all or part of any Contractor Deliverable (which for the purposes of this Condition shall also include information, technical data and software), the Contractor, unless otherwise agreed with the Authority, shall identify in the application:

(a) the end user as: His Britannic Majesty’s Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (hereinafter “HM Government”); and

(b) the end use as: For the Purposes of HM Government; and

(2) include in the submission for the licence or authorisation a statement that "information on the status of processing this application may be shared with the Ministry of Defence of the United Kingdom".

c. If the Contractor or any Subcontractor in the performance of the Contract needs to export materiel not previously supplied by or on behalf of the Authority for which an export licence or import licence or authorisation from a foreign government is required, the responsibility for instituting expeditious action to apply for and obtain the licence shall rest with the Contractor or that Subcontractor. For the purposes of this Condition materiel shall mean information, technical data and items, including Contractor Deliverables, components of Contractor Deliverables and software.

d. Where the Contract performance requires the export of materiel for which a foreign export licence or import licence or authorisation is required, the Contractor shall include the dependencies for the export licence or import licence or authorisation application, grant and maintenance in the Contract risk register and in the risk management plan for the Contract, with appropriate review points. Where there is no requirement under the Contract for a risk management plan the Contractor shall submit this information to the Authority’s representative.

e. During the term of the Contract and for a period of up to 2 years from completion of the Contract, the Authority may make a written request to the Contractor to seek a variation to the conditions to a foreign export licence or import licence or authorisation to enable the Authority to re-export or re-transfer a licensed or authorised item or licensed or authorised information from the UK to a non-licensed or unauthorised third party. If the Authority makes such a request it will consult with the Contractor before making a determination of whether the Authority or the Contractor is best placed in all the circumstance to make the request. Where, subsequent to such consultation the Authority notifies the Contractor that the Contractor is best placed to make such request:

(1) the Contractor shall, or procure that the Contractor’s Subcontractor shall, expeditiously consider whether or not there is any reason why it should object to making the request and, where it has no objection, file an application to seek a variation of the applicable export licence or import licence or authorisation in accordance with the procedures of the licensing authority. Where the Contractor has an objection, the Parties shall meet within five (5) working days to resolve the issue and should they fail the matter shall be escalated to an appropriate level within both Parties’ organisations, to include their respective export licensing subject matter experts; and

(2) the Authority shall provide sufficient information, certification, documentation and other reasonable assistance as may be necessary to support the application for the requested variation.

f. Where the Authority determines that it is best placed to make such request the Contractor shall provide sufficient information, certification, documentation and other reasonable assistance as may be necessary to support the Authority to make the application for the requested variation.

g. Where the Authority invokes clause 33.e or 33.f the Authority will pay the Contractor a fair and reasonable charge for this service based on the cost of providing it.

h. Where the Contractor subcontracts work under the Contract, which is likely to be subject to foreign export control, import control or both the Contractor shall use reasonable endeavours to incorporate in each subcontract equivalent obligations to those set out in this Condition. Where it is not possible to include equivalent terms to those set out in this Condition, the Contractor shall report that fact and the circumstances to the Authority.

i. Without prejudice to HM Government's position on the validity of any claim by a foreign government to extra-territoriality, the Authority shall provide the Contractor with sufficient information, certification, documentation and other reasonable assistance to facilitate the granting of export licences or import licences or authorisations by a foreign Government in respect of the performance of the Contract.

j. The Authority shall provide such assistance as the Contractor may reasonably require in obtaining any UK export licences necessary for the performance of the Contract.

k. The Contractor shall use reasonable endeavours to identify whether any Contractor Deliverable is subject to:

(1) a non-UK export licence, authorisation or exemption; or

(2) any other related transfer or export control,

that imposes or will impose end use, end user or re-transfer or re-export restrictions, or restrictions on disclosure to individuals based upon their nationality. This does not include the Intellectual Property-specific restrictions of the type referred to in Condition 34 (Third Party Intellectual Property – Rights and Restrictions).

l. If at any time during the term of the Contract the Contractor becomes aware that all or any part of the Contractor Deliverables are subject to clause 33.k.(1) or 33.k.(2), they shall notify the Authority of this as soon as reasonably practicable by providing details in the DEFFORM 528 or other mutually agreed alternative format. Such notification shall be no later than thirty (30) days of knowledge of any affected Contractor Deliverable and in any event such notification shall be not less than thirty (30) days prior to delivery of the Contractor Deliverables.

m. If the information to be provided under clause 33.l has been provided previously to the Authority by the Contractor under the Contract, the Contractor may satisfy these requirements by giving details of the previous notification and confirming they remain valid and satisfy the provisions of clause 33.l.

n. During the term of the Contract, the Contractor shall notify the Authority as soon as reasonably practicable of any changes in the information notified previously under clauses 33.l or 33.m of which they become or are aware that would affect the Authority’s ability to use, disclose, re-transfer or re-export an item or part of it as is referred to in those clauses by issuing an updated DEFFORM 528 to the Authority.

o. For a period of up to 2 years from completion of the Contract and in response to a specific request by the Authority, the Contractor shall notify the Authority as soon as reasonably practicable of any changes in the information notified previously under clause 33.l or 33.m of which they become aware that would affect the Authority’s ability to use, disclose, re-transfer or re-export an item or part of it as is referred to in those clauses by issuing an updated DEFFORM 528 to the Authority.

p. Where following receipt of materiel from a Subcontractor or any of their other suppliers restrictions are notified to the Contractor by that Subcontractor, supplier or other third party or are identified by the Contractor, the Contractor shall immediately inform the Authority by issuing an updated DEFFORM 528. Within [X] days of such notification, the Contractor shall propose to the Authority actions to mitigate the impact of such restrictions. Such proposals may include, where appropriate, mutually supported attempts to obtain removal or modification to the restrictions or to obtain appropriate authorisations from the relevant foreign government. The Authority shall notify the contractor within [X] days of receipt of a proposal whether it is acceptable and where appropriate the Contract shall be modified in accordance with its terms to implement the proposal.

q. If the restrictions prevent the Contractor from performing their obligations under the Contract and have not been removed, modified or otherwise satisfactorily managed within a reasonable time, the Authority may at its absolute discretion elect to amend the contract in accordance with Condition 6 or as otherwise may be provided by the Contract, or to terminate the Contract. Except as set out in clause 33.r, in the event of termination in these circumstances termination shall be on fair and reasonable terms having regard to all the circumstances including payments already made and that would otherwise be due under the Contract, costs incurred by the Contractor and benefits received by the Authority. The Parties, acting in good faith, will use all reasonable endeavours to agree such fair and reasonable terms failing which either Party may refer the matter to dispute resolution in accordance with the provisions in the Contract.

r. In the event that the restrictions notified to the Authority pursuant to clause 33.l were known or ought reasonably have been known by the Contractor (but were not disclosed) at contract award or if restrictions notified to the Authority pursuant to clauses 33.n or 33.p were known or ought reasonably to have been known by the Contractor at the date of submission of the most recent DEFFORM 528 submitted to the Authority in accordance with clause 33.l, termination under clause 33.q will be in accordance with Condition 43 (Material Breach) and the provisions of clause 33.v will not apply.

s. The Authority shall use reasonable endeavours to identify any export control restrictions applying to materiel to be provided to the Contractor as Government Furnished Assets (GFA). Where the Authority is to provide materiel necessary to enable the Contractor to perform the Contract or in respect of which the Services are to be provided, and that materiel is subject to a non-UK export licence, authorisation, exemption or other related transfer or export control as described in the provisions of clause 32.k, the Authority shall provide a completed DEFFORM 528 or will provide a new or updated DEFFORM 528 to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of the date of knowledge and in any case not later than thirty (30) days prior to the delivery of such materiel to the Contractor.

t. In the event that the Authority becomes aware that the DEFFORM 528 disclosure was incomplete or inaccurate or in the event additional such materiel is identified then the Authority shall provide, as soon as reasonably practicable a new or revised DEFFORM 528. In the event that the Authority becomes aware that a prior disclosure included in DEFFORM 528 submitted to the Contractor was incomplete or inaccurate less than thirty (30) days prior to the delivery to the Contractor of any material to which the updated or new disclosure relates, the Parties will meet as soon as reasonably practicable to discuss how to mitigate the impact of the incomplete or inaccurate disclosure.

u. Where:

(1) restrictions are advised by the Authority to the Contractor in a DEFFORM 528 provided pursuant to clauses 33.s or 33.t, or both, or;

(2) any of the information provided by the Authority in any DEFFORM 528 proves to be incorrect or inaccurate;

the Authority and the Contractor shall act promptly to mitigate the impact of such restrictions or incorrect or inaccurate information. Such mitigation shall include, where appropriate, mutually supported attempts to obtain removal or modification to the restrictions or to obtain appropriate authorisations from the relevant foreign government. If the restrictions or incorrect or inaccurate information adversely affect the ability of the Contractor to perform their obligations under the Contract, the matter shall be handled under the terms of Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract) or as may otherwise be provided by the Contract as appropriate and if no alternative solution satisfies the essential terms of the Contract and the restrictions have not been removed, modified or otherwise satisfactorily managed within a reasonable time the Authority may terminate the Contract. Termination under these circumstances will be under the terms of Condition 42 (Termination for Convenience) and as referenced in the Contract.

v. Pending agreement of any amendment of the Contract as set out in clause 33.q or 33.u, provided the Contractor takes such steps as are reasonable to mitigate the impact, the Contractor shall be relieved from their obligations to perform those elements of the Contract directly affected by the restrictions or provision of incorrect or incomplete information.

**34. Third Party Intellectual Property – Rights and Restrictions**

a. The Contractor and, where applicable any Subcontractor, shall promptly notify the Authority as soon as they become aware of:

(1) any invention or design the subject of patent or registered Design Rights (or application thereof) owned by a third party which appears to be relevant to the performance of the Contract or to use by the Authority of anything required to be done or delivered under the Contract;

(2) any restriction as to disclosure or use, or obligation to make payments in respect of any other intellectual property (including technical Information) required for the purposes of the Contract or subsequent use by the Authority of anything delivered under the Contract and, where appropriate, the notification shall include such Information as is required by Section 2 of the Defence Contracts Act 1958;

(3) any allegation of infringement of intellectual property rights made against the Contractor and which pertains to the performance of the Contract or subsequent use by the Authority of anything required to be done or delivered under the Contract.

clause 34.a does not apply in respect of Contractor Deliverables normally available from the Contractor as a Commercial Off The Shelf (COTS) item or service.

b. If the Information required under clause 34.a has been notified previously, the Contractor may meet their obligations by giving details of the previous notification.

c. For COTS Contractor Deliverables patents and registered designs in the UK, in respect of any question arising (by way of an allegation made to the Authority or Contractor, or otherwise) that the manufacture or provision under the Contract of Contractor Deliverables normally available from the Contractor as a COTS item or service is an infringement of a UK patent or registered design not owned or controlled by the Contractor or the Authority, the Contractor shall, subject to the agreement of the third party owning such patent or registered design, be given exclusive conduct of any and all negotiations for the settlement of any claim or the conduct of any litigation arising out of such question. The Contractor shall indemnify the Authority, its officers, agents and

employees against any liability and cost arising from such allegation. This Condition shall not apply if:

(1) the Authority has made or makes an admission of any sort relevant to such question;

(2) the Authority has entered or enters into any discussions on such question with any third party without the prior written agreement of the Contractor;

(3) the Authority has entered or enters into negotiations in respect of any relevant claim for compensation in respect of Crown Use under Section 55 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949;

(4) legal proceedings have been commenced against the Authority or the Contractor in respect of Crown Use, but only to the extent of such Crown Use that has been properly authorised.

d. The indemnity in clause 34.c does not extend to use by the Authority of anything supplied under the Contract where that use was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of the Contract.

e. In the event that the Authority has entered into negotiation in respect of a claim for compensation, or legal proceedings in respect of the Crown Use have commenced, the Authority shall forthwith authorise the Contractor for the purposes of performing the Contract (but not otherwise) to utilise a relevant invention or design in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949 and to use any model, document or information relating to any such invention or design which may be required for that purpose.

f. For all other Contractor Deliverables patents and registered designs in the UK, if a relevant invention or design has been notified to the Authority by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date of Contract, then unless it has been otherwise agreed, under the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949, the Contractor is hereby authorised to utilise that invention or design, notwithstanding the fact that it is the subject of a UK Patent or UK Registered Design, for the purpose of performing the Contract.

g. If, under clause 34.a, a relevant invention or design is notified to the Authority by the Contractor after the Effective Date of Contract, then:

(1) if the owner (or its exclusive licensee) takes or threatens in writing to take any relevant action against the Contractor, the Authority shall issue to the Contractor a written authorisation in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949, and

(2) in any event, unless the Contractor and the Authority can agree an alternative course of action, the Authority shall not unreasonably delay the issue of a written authorisation in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949.

h. The Authority shall assume all liability and shall indemnify the Contractor, their officers, agents and employees against liability, including the Contractor’s costs, as a result of infringement by the Contractor or their suppliers of any patent, utility model, registered design or like protection outside the United Kingdom in the performance of the Contract when such infringement arises from or is incurred by reason of the Contractor following any specification, statement of work or instruction in the Contract or using, keeping or disposing of any item given by the Authority for the purpose of the Contract in accordance with the Contract.

i. The Contractor shall assume all liability and shall indemnify the Authority, its officers, agents and employees against liability, including the Authority’s costs, as a result of infringement by the Contractor or their suppliers of any patent, utility model, registered design or like protection outside the UK in the performance of the Contract when such infringement arises from or is incurred otherwise than by reason of the Contractor following any specification, statement of work or instruction in the Contract or using, keeping or disposing of any item given by the Authority for the purpose of the Contract in accordance with the Contract.

j. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any reimbursement of any royalty, licence fee or similar expense incurred in respect of anything to be done under the Contract, where:

(1) a relevant discharge has been given under Section 2 of the Defence Contracts Act 1958, or relevant authorisation in accordance with Sections 55 or 57 of the Patents Act 1977, Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949 or Section 240 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 in respect of any intellectual property; or

(2) any obligation to make payments for intellectual property has not been promptly notified to the Authority under clause 34.a.

k. Where authorisation is given by the Authority under clause 34.e, 34.f or 34.g, to the extent permitted by Section 57 of the Patents Act 1977, Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949 or Section 240 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988, the Contractor shall also be:

(1) released from payment whether by way of royalties, licence fees or similar expenses in respect of the Contractor's use of the relevant invention or design, or the use of any relevant model, document or information for the purpose of performing the Contract; and

(2) authorised to use any model, document or information relating to any such invention or design which may be required for that purpose.

l. The Contractor shall assume all liability and indemnify the Authority and its officers, agents and employees against liability, including costs as a result of:

(1) infringement or alleged infringement by the Contractor or their suppliers of any copyright, database right, Design Right or the like protection in any part of the world in respect of any item to be supplied under the Contract or otherwise in the performance of the Contract;

(2) misuse of any confidential information, trade secret or the like by the Contractor in performing the Contract;

(3) provision to the Authority of any Information or material which the Contractor does not have the right to provide for the purpose of the Contract.

m. The Authority shall assume all liability and indemnify the Contractor, their officers, agents and employees against liability, including costs as a result of:

(1) infringement or alleged infringement by the Contractor or their suppliers of any copyright, database right, Design Right or the like protection in any part of the world in respect of any item provided by the Authority for the purpose of the Contract but only to the extent that the item is used for the purpose of the Contract;

(2) alleged misuse of any confidential Information, trade secret or the like by the Contractor as a result of use of Information provided by the Authority for the purposes of the Contract, but only to the extent that Contractor’s use of that Information is for the purposes intended when it was disclosed by the Authority.

n. The general authorisation and indemnity is:

(1) clauses 34.a – 34.m represents the total liability of each Party to the other under the Contract in respect of any infringement or alleged infringement of patent or other Intellectual Property Right (IPR) owned by a third party;

(2) neither Party shall be liable, one to the other, for any consequential loss or damage arising as a result, directly or indirectly, of a claim for infringement or alleged infringement of any patent or other IPR owned by a third party;

(3) a Party against whom a claim is made or action brought, shall promptly notify the other Party in writing if such claim or action appears to relate to an infringement which is the subject of an indemnity or authorisation given under this Condition by such other Party. The notification shall include particulars of the demands, damages and liabilities claimed or made of which the notifying Party has notice;

(4) the Party benefiting from the indemnity or authorisation shall allow the other Party, at its own expense, to conduct any negotiations for the settlement of the same, and any litigation that may arise therefrom and shall provide such information as the other Party may reasonably require;

(5) following a notification under clause 34.n.(3), the Party notified shall advise the other Party in writing within thirty (30) Business Days whether or not it is assuming conduct of the negotiations or litigation. In that case the Party against whom a claim is made or action brought shall not make any statement which might be prejudicial to the settlement or defence of such a claim without the written consent of the other Party;

(6) the Party conducting negotiations for the settlement of a claim or any related litigation shall, if requested, keep the other Party fully informed of the conduct and progress of such negotiations.

o. If at any time a claim or allegation of infringement arises in respect of copyright, database right, Design Right or breach of confidence as a result of the provision of any Contractor Deliverable by the Contractor to the Authority, the Contractor may at their own expense replace the item with an item of equivalent functionality and performance so as to avoid infringement or breach. The Parties will co-operate with one another to mitigate any claim or damage which may arise from use of third party IPR.

p. Nothing in Condition 34 shall be taken as an authorisation or promise of an authorisation under Section 240 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988.

q. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Contract and for the avoidance of doubt, award of the Contract by the Authority and placement of any contract task under it does not constitute an authorisation by the Crown under Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949. The Contractor acknowledges that any such authorisation by the Authority under its statutory powers must be expressly provided in writing, with reference to the acts authorised and the specific intellectual property involved.

Notification of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Restrictions

r. Where any of the conditions listed below (1 to 3) have been added to the Conditions of the Contract as project specific DEFCONs at Clause 45, or where required by Clauses 34.a. - 34.q., the Contractor warrants and confirms that all Intellectual Property Rights restrictions and associated export restrictions relating to the use or disclosure of the Contractor Deliverables that are notifiable under those Conditions, or of which the Contractor is or should reasonably be aware as at Effective Date of Contract, are disclosed in Schedule 10 (Notification of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Restrictions).

(1) DEFCON 15 - including notification of any self-standing background Intellectual Property;

(2) DEFCON 90 - including copyright material supplied under clause 5;

(3) DEFCON 91 - limitations of Deliverable Software under clause 3b.

s. The Contractor shall promptly notify the Authority in writing if they become aware during the performance of the Contract of any required additions, inaccuracies or omissions in Schedule 10.

t. Any amendment to Schedule 10 shall be made in accordance with Condition 6.

**Pricing and Payment**

**35. Contract Price**

a. The Contractor shall provide the Contractor Deliverables to the Authority at the Contract Price. The Contract Price shall be a Firm Price unless otherwise stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet).

b. Subject to clause 35.a the Contract Price shall be inclusive of any UK custom and excise or other duty payable. The Contractor shall not make any claim for drawback of UK import duty on any part of the Contract Deliverables supplied which may be for shipment outside of the UK.

**36. Payment and Recovery of Sums Due**

a. Payment for Contractor Deliverables will be made by electronic transfer and prior to submitting any claims for payment under clause 36.b the Contractor will be required to register their details (Supplier on-boarding) on the Contracting, Purchasing and Finance (CP&F) electronic procurement tool.

b. Where the Contractor submits an invoice to the Authority in accordance with clause 36.a, the Authority will consider and verify that invoice in a timely fashion.

c. The Authority shall pay the Contractor any sums due under such an invoice no later than a period of 30 days from the date on which the Authority has determined that the invoice is valid and undisputed.

d. Where the Authority fails to comply with clause 36.a and there is undue delay in considering and verifying the invoice, the invoice shall be regarded as valid and undisputed for the purpose of clause 36.c after a reasonable time has passed.

e. The approval for payment of a valid and undisputed invoice by the Authority shall not be construed as acceptance by the Authority of the performance of the Contractor’s obligations nor as a waiver of its rights and remedies under the Contract.

f. Without prejudice to any other right or remedy, the Authority reserves the right to set off any amount owing at any time from the Contractor to the Authority against any amount payable by the Authority to the Contractor under the Contract or under any other contract with the Authority, or with any other Government Department.

**37.Value Added Tax**

a. The Contract Price excludes any UK output Value Added Tax (VAT) and any similar EU (or non-EU) taxes chargeable on the supply of Contractor Deliverables by the Contractor to the Authority.

b. If the Contractor is required by UK VAT law to be registered for UK VAT (or has registered voluntarily) in respect of their business activities at the time of any supply, and the circumstances of any supply are such that the Contractor is liable to pay the tax due to HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC), the Authority shall pay to the Contractor in addition to the Contract Price (or any other sum due to the Contractor) a sum equal to the output VAT chargeable on the tax value of the supply of Contractor Deliverables, and all other payments under the Contract according to the law at the relevant tax point.

c. The Contractor is responsible for the determination of VAT liability. The Contractor shall consult their Client Relationship Manager or the HMRC Enquiries Desk (and not the Authority’s Representative (Commercial)) in cases of doubt. The Contractor shall notify the Authority’s Representative (Commercial) of the Authority’s VAT liability under the Contract, and any changes to it,within twenty (20) Business Days of becoming aware the liability is other than at the standard rate of VAT. In the event of any doubt about the applicability of the tax in such cases, the Authority may require the Contractor to obtain, and pass to the Authority, a formal ruling from HMRC. The Contractor shall comply promptly with any such requirement. Where the Contractor obtains a ruling from HMRC, they shall supply a copy to the Authority within three (3) Business Days of receiving that ruling unless they propose to challenge the ruling. Where the Contractor challenges the ruling they shall supply to the Authority a copy of any final decisions issued by HMRC on completion of the challenge within three (3) Business Days of receiving the decision.

d. Where supply of Contractor Deliverables comes within the scope of UK VAT, but the Contractor is not required by UK VAT law to be registered for UK VAT (and has not registered voluntarily), the Authority shall be responsible for assessing and paying over directly to HMRC any UK output VAT due in respect of the Contractor Deliverables. The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring they take into account any changes in VAT law regarding registration.

e. Where Contractor Deliverables are deemed to be supplied to the Authority outside the UK, the Contractor may be required by the laws of the country where the supply takes place to register there for EU (or non-EU) turnover or similar tax. In that event, the Authority shall pay to the Contractor in addition to the Contract Price (and any other sum due to the Contractor under the Contract) a sum equal to the tax the Contractor is liable to pay to the tax authorities of the country in question in relation to the Contractor Deliverables within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request for payment of any such sum by the Contractor.

f. In relation to the Contractor Deliverables supplied under the Contract the Authority shall not be required to pay any sum in respect of the Contractor’s input VAT (or similar EU or non-EU or both input taxes). However, these input taxes will be allowed where it is established that, despite the Contractor having taken all reasonable steps to recover them, it has not been possible to do so. Where there is any doubt that the Contractor has complied with this requirement the matter shall be resolved in accordance with Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution).

g. Should HMRC decide that the Contractor has incorrectly determined the VAT liability, in accordance with clause 37.b above, the Authority will pay the VAT assessed by HMRC. In the event that HMRC so determines, the Contractor shall pay any interest charged on any assessment or penalties or both directly to HMRC. Such interest or penalties or both shall not be recoverable from the Authority under the Contract or any other contract. The Contractor shall supply the Authority with a copy of all correspondence between HMRC and the Contractor’s advisors regarding the VAT assessment within three (3) Business Days of a written request from the Authority for such correspondence.

**38. Debt Factoring**

a. Subject to the Contractor obtaining the prior written consent of the Authority in accordance with Condition 10 (Assignment of Contract), the Contractor may assign to a third Party (“the Assignee”) the right to receive payment of the Contract Price or any part thereof due to the Contractor under the Contract (including interest which the Authority incurred through late payment under the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998 (“the Act”)). Any assignment of the right to receive payment of the Contract Price (or any part thereof) under this Condition 38 shall be subject to:

(1) reduction of any sums in respect of which the Authority exercises its right of recovery under clause 36.f;

(2) all related rights of the Authority under the Contract in relation to the recovery of sums due but unpaid; and

(3) the Authority receiving notification under both clauses 38.b and 38.c.(2).

b. In the event that the Contractor obtains from the Authority the consent to assign the right to receive the Contract Price (or any part thereof) under clause 38.a, the Contractor shall notify the Authority in writing of the assignment and the date upon which the assignment becomes effective.

c. The Contractor shall ensure that the Assignee:

(1) is made aware of the Authority’s continuing rights under clauses 38.a.(1) and 38.a.(2); and

(2) notifies the Authority of the Assignee’s contact information and bank account details to which the Authority shall make payment, subject to any reduction made by the Authority in accordance with clauses 38.a.(1) and 38.a.(2).

d. The provisions of Condition 36 (Payment and Recovery of Sums Due) shall continue to apply in all other respects after the assignment and shall not be amended without the prior approval of the Authority.

**39. Subcontracting and Prompt Payment**

a. Subcontracting any part of the Contract shall not relieve the Contractor of any of the Contractor’s obligations, duties or liabilities under the Contract.

b. Where the Contractor enters into a subcontract, they shall cause a term to be included in such subcontract:

(1) providing that where the Subcontractor submits an invoice to the Contractor, the Contractor will consider and verify that invoice in a timely fashion;

(2) providing that the Contractor shall pay the Subcontractor any sums due under such an invoice no later than a period of thirty (30) days from the date on which the Contractor has determined that the invoice is valid and undisputed;

(3) providing that where the Contractor fails to comply with clause 39.b.(1) above, and there is an undue delay in considering and verifying the invoice, that the invoice shall be regarded as valid and undisputed for the purposes of clause 39.b.(2) after a reasonable time has passed, and;

(4) requiring the counterparty to that subcontract to include in any subcontract which it awards, provisions having the same effect as clauses 39.b.(1) to 39.b.(4).

**Termination**

**40. Dispute Resolution**

a. The Parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute or claim arising out of or relating to the Contract through negotiations between the respective representatives of the Parties having authority to settle the matter, which attempts may include the use of any alternative dispute resolution procedure on which the Parties may agree.

b. In the event that the dispute or claim is not resolved pursuant to clause 40.a the dispute shall be referred to arbitration. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, the arbitration and this clause 40.b shall be governed by the Arbitration Act 1996. For the purposes of the arbitration, the arbitrator shall have the power to make provisional awards pursuant to Section 39 of the Arbitration Act 1996.

c. For the avoidance of doubt, anything said, done or produced in or in relation to the arbitration process (including any awards) shall be confidential between the Parties, except as may be lawfully required in judicial proceedings relating to the arbitration or otherwise.

**41.Termination for Insolvency or Corrupt Gifts**

**Insolvency:**

a. The Authority may terminate the Contract, without paying compensation to the Contractor, by giving written Notice of such termination to the Contractor at any time after any of the following events:

Where the Contractor is an individual or a firm:

(1) the application by the individual or, in the case of a firm constituted under English law, any partner of the firm to the court for an interim order pursuant to Section 253 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or;

(2) the court making an interim order pursuant to Section 252 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or;

(3) the individual, the firm or, in the case of a firm constituted under English law, any partner of the firm making a composition or a scheme of arrangement with them or their creditors, or;

(4) the presentation of a petition for bankruptcy order against the individual or, in the case of a firm constituted under English law, any partner of the firm unless it is withdrawn within three (3) Business Days from the date on which the Contractor is notified of the presentation, or;

(5) the court making a bankruptcy order in respect of the individual or, in the case of a firm constituted under English law, any partner of the firm, or;

(6) where the Contractor is either unable to pay their debts as they fall due or has no reasonable prospect of being able to pay debts which are not immediately payable. The Authority shall regard the Contractor as being unable to pay their debts if:

(a) they have failed to comply with or to set aside a Statutory demand under Section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 within twenty-one (21) days of service of the Statutory Demand on them, or;

(b) execution or other process to enforce a debt due under a judgement or order of the court has been returned unsatisfied in whole or in part.

(7) the presentation of a petition for sequestration in relation to the Contractor's estates unless it is withdrawn within three (3) Business Days from the date on which the Contractor is notified of the presentation, or;

(8) the court making an award of sequestration in relation to the Contractor’s estates.

Where the Contractor is a company registered in England:

(9) the presentation of a petition for the appointment of an administrator; unless it is withdrawn within three (3) Business Days from the date on which the Contractor is notified of the presentation, or;

(10) the court making an administration order in relation to the company, or;

(11) the presentation of a petition for the winding-up of the company unless it is withdrawn within three (3) Business Days from the date on which the Contractor is notified of the presentation, or;

(12) the company passing a resolution that the company shall be wound-up, or;

(13) the court making an order that the company shall be wound-up, or;

(14) the appointment of a Receiver or manager or administrative Receiver.

Where the Contractor is a company registered other than in England, events occur or are carried out which, within the jurisdiction to which they are subject, are similar in nature or effect to those specified in clauses 41.a.(9) to 41.a.(14) inclusive above.

b. Such termination shall be without prejudice to and shall not affect any right of action or remedy which shall have accrued or shall accrue thereafter to the Authority and the Contractor.

**Corrupt Gifts:**

c. The Contractor shall not do, and warrants that in entering the Contract they have not done any of the following (hereafter referred to as 'prohibited acts'):

(1) offer, promise or give to any Crown servant any gift or financial or other advantage of any kind as an inducement or reward;

(a) for doing or not doing (or for having done or not having done) any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of this or any other Contract with the Crown, or;

(b) for showing or not showing favour or disfavour to any person in relation to this or any other Contract with the Crown.

(2) enter into this or any other Contract with the Crown in connection with which commission has been paid or has been agreed to be paid by them or on their behalf, or to their knowledge, unless before the Contract is made particulars of any such commission and of the terms and conditions of any such agreement for the payment thereof have been disclosed in writing to the Authority.

d. If the Contractor, their employees, agents or any Subcontractor (or anyone acting on their behalf or any of their employees) does any of the prohibited acts or commits any offence under the Bribery Act 2010 with or without the knowledge or authority of the Contractor in relation to this Contract or any other contract with the Crown, the Authority shall be entitled:

(1) to terminate the Contract and recover from the Contractor the amount of any loss resulting from the termination;

(2) to recover from the Contractor the amount or value of any such gift, consideration or commission, and;

(3) to recover from the Contractor any other loss sustained in consequence of any breach of this Condition, where the Contract has not been terminated.

e. In exercising its rights or remedies under this Condition, the Authority shall:

(1) act in a reasonable and proportionate manner having regard to such matters as the gravity of, and the identity of the person performing, the prohibited act;

(2) give all due consideration, where appropriate, to action other than termination of the Contract, including (without being limited to):

(a) requiring the Contractor to procure the termination of a subcontract where the prohibited act is that of a Subcontractor or anyone acting on their behalf;

(b) requiring the Contractor to procure the dismissal of an employee (whether their own or that of a Subcontractor or anyone acting on their behalf) where the prohibited act is that of such employee.

f. Recovery action taken against any person in His Majesty's service shall be without prejudice to any recovery action taken against the Contractor pursuant to this Condition.

**42. Termination for Convenience**

a. The Authority shall have the right to terminate the Contract in whole or in part at any time by giving the Contractor at least twenty (20) Business Cays written notice (or such other period as may be stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet)). Upon expiry of the notice period the Contract, or relevant part thereof, shall terminate without prejudice to the rights of the parties already accrued up to the date of termination. Where only part of the Contract is being terminated, the Authority and the Contractor shall owe each other no further obligations in respect of the part of the Contract being terminated but will continue to fulfil their respective obligations on all other parts of the Contract not being terminated.

b. Following the above notification, the Authority shall be entitled to exercise any of the following rights in relation to the Contract (or part being terminated) to direct the Contractor to:

(1) not start work on any element of the Contractor Deliverables not yet started;

(2) complete in accordance with the Contract the provision of any element of the Contractor Deliverables;

(3) as soon as may be reasonably practicable take such steps to ensure that the production rate of the Contractor Deliverables is reduced as quickly as possible;

(4) terminate on the best possible terms any subcontracts in support of the Contractor Deliverables that have not been completed, taking into account any direction given under clauses 42.b.(2) and 42.b.(3) of this Condition.

c. Where this Condition applies (and subject always to the Contractor’s compliance with any direction given by the Authority under clause 42.b):

(1) The Authority shall take over from the Contractor at a fair and reasonable price all unused and undamaged materiel and any Contractor Deliverables in the course of manufacture that are:

(a) in the possession of the Contractor at the date of termination, and;

(b) provided by or supplied to the Contractor for the performance of the Contract, except such materiel and Contractor Deliverables in the course of manufacture as the Contractor shall, with the agreement of the Authority, choose to retain;

(2) the Contractor shall deliver to the Authority within an agreed period, or in absence of such agreement within a period as the Authority may specify, a list of:

(a) all such unused and undamaged materiel, and;

(b) Contractor Deliverables in the course of manufacture,

that are liable to be taken over by, or previously belonging to the Authority, and shall deliver such materiel and Contractor Deliverables in accordance with the directions of the Authority;

(3) in respect of Services, the Authority shall pay the Contractor fair and reasonable prices for each Service performed, or partially performed, in accordance with the Contract.

d. The Authority shall (subject to clause 42.e below and to the Contractor’s compliance with any direction given by the Authority in clause 42.b above) indemnify the Contractor against any commitments, liabilities or expenditure which would otherwise represent an unavoidable loss by the Contractor by reason of the termination of the Contract, subject to:

(1) the Contractor taking all reasonable steps to mitigate such loss, and;

(2) the Contractor submitting a fully itemised and costed list of such loss, with supporting evidence, reasonably and actually incurred by the Contractor as a result of the termination of the Contract or relevant part.

e. The Authority’s total liability under the provisions of this Condition shall be limited to the total price of the Contractor Deliverables payable under the contract (or relevant part), including any sums paid, due or becoming due to the Contractor at the date of termination.

f. The Contractor shall include in any subcontract over £250,000 which it may enter into for the purpose of the Contract, the right to terminate the subcontract under the terms of clauses 42.a to 42.e except that:

(1) the name of the Contractor shall be substituted for the Authority except in clause 42.c.(1);

(2) the notice period for termination shall be as specified in the subcontract, or if no period is specified twenty (20) Business Days, and;

(3) the Contractor’s right to terminate the subcontract shall not be exercised unless the main Contract, or relevant part, has been terminated by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of this Condition 42.

g. Claims for payment under this Condition shall be submitted in accordance with the Authority’s direction.

**43. Material Breach**

a. In addition to any other rights and remedies, the Authority shall have the right to terminate the Contract (in whole or in part) with immediate effect by giving written Notice to the Contractor where the Contractor is in material breach of their obligations under the Contract.

b. Where the Authority has terminated the Contract under clause 43.a the Authority shall have the right to claim such damages as may have been sustained as a result of the Contractor’s material breach of the Contract, including but not limited to any costs and expenses incurred by the Authority in:

(1) carrying out any work that may be required to make the Contractor Deliverables comply with the Contract; or

(2) obtaining the Contractor Deliverable in substitution from another supplier.

**44. Consequences of Termination**

The termination of the Contract, however arising, shall be without prejudice to the rights and duties of either Party accrued prior to termination. The Conditions that expressly or by implication have effect after termination shall continue to be enforceable even after termination.

**45 Project specific DEFCONs and DEFCON SC variants that apply to this Contract**

**General Conditions**

DEFCON 603 (Edn 10/04) - Aircraft Integration and Clearance Procedure

DEFCON 684 (Edn 01/04) - Limitation Upon Claims In Respect Of Aviation Products

DEFCON 035 Edition 06/21 - Progress Payments

DEFCON 514A (Edn 03/16) - Failure of Performance under Research and Development Contracts

DEFCON 532A (Edn. 05/22) -Protection Of Personal Data (Where Personal Data is not being processed on behalf of the Authority)

DEFCON 624 (SC2) (Edn. 08/22) - Use Of Asbestos

DEFCON 627 (Edn 11/21) - Quality Assurance - Requirement for a Certificate of Conformity

DEFCON 658 (SC2) (Edn. 10/22) - Cyber

DEFCON 659A (Edn 02/24) - Security Measures

DEFCON 660 (Edn 12/15) - Official-Sensitive Security Requirements

DEFCON 812 (Edn 04/15) - Single Source Open Book

DEFCON 815 (Edn 04/15) - Contract Pricing Statement – Single Source Non-Qualifying Contracts

Note: Further to DEFCON 658 the Cyber Risk Profile of the Contract is Moderate, as defined in Def Stan 05-138.

DEFCON 602A (SC2) (Edn 04/23) - Quality Assurance (With Deliverable Quality Plan)

DEFCON 76 (SC2) (Edn 11/22) – Contractor’s Personnel at Government Establishments

DEFCON 126 (Edn 06/21) – International Collaboration

DEFCON 514A (Edn 03/16) – Failure of Performance under Research and Development Contract

DEFCON 540 (SC2) (Edn 05/23) – Conflicts of Interest

DEFCON 605 (SC2) (Edn 11/17) – Financial Reports

DEFCON 611 (SC2) (Edn 12/22) – Issued Property

DEFCON 647 (SC2) (Edn 05/21) – Financial Management Information

DEFCON 649 (SC2) (12/21) – Vesting

DEFCON 694 (SC2) (Edn 07/21) – Accounting for Property of the Authority

**Russian and Belarusian Exclusion Condition**

1. The Contractor shall, and shall procure that their Subcontractors shall, notify the Authority in writing as soon as they become aware that:

a. the Contract Deliverables and/or Services contain any Russian/Belarussian products and/or services, or;

b. that the Contractor or any part of the Contractor’s supply chain is linked to entities who are constituted or organised under the law of Russia or Belarus, or under the control (full or partial) of a Russian/Belarusian person or entity. Please note that this does not include companies:

(1) registered in the UK or in a country with which the UK has a relevant international agreement providing reciprocal rights of access in the relevant field of public procurement, and/or;

(2) which have significant business operations in the UK or in a country with which the UK has a relevant international agreement providing reciprocal rights of access in the relevant field of public procurement.

2. The Contractor shall, and shall procure that their Subcontractors shall, include in such notification (or as soon as reasonably practicable following the notification) full details of the Russian products, services and/or entities and shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Authority to understand the nature, scope and impact of any such products, services and/or entities on the provision of the Contract Deliverables and/or Services.

3. The Authority shall consider the notification and information provided by the Contractor and advise the Contractor in writing of any concerns the Authority may have and/or any action which the Authority will require the Contractor to take. The Contractor shall be required to submit a response to the concerns raised by the Authority, including any plans to mitigate those concerns, within 14 business days of receipt of the Authority’s written concerns, for the Authority’s consideration.

4. The Contractor shall include provisions equivalent to those set out in this clause in all relevant Sub-contracts.

46 Special conditions that apply to this Contract

46.1. Limitations on Liability

Definitions

46.1.1 In this Condition 46 the following words and expressions shall have the meanings given to them, except where the context requires a different meaning:

“Charges” means any of the charges for the provision of the Services, Contractor Deliverables and the performance of any of the Contractor’s other obligations under this Contract, as determined in accordance with this Contract;

“Data Protection Legislation” means all applicable Law in force from time to time in the UK relating to the processing of personal data and privacy, including but not limited to:

(1) UK GDPR;

(2) DPA 2018, and;

(3) the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/2426) as amended, each to the extent that it relates to the processing of personal data and privacy;

“Default” means any breach of the obligations of the relevant Party (including fundamental breach or breach of a fundamental term) or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the relevant Party, its employees, servants, agents or sub-contractors in connection with or in relation to the subject matter of this Contract and in respect of which such Party is liable to the other. In no event shall a failure or delay in the delivery of an Authority responsibility or an activity to be carried out by the Authority or its representatives in accordance with the Contract be considered a Default;

‘DPA 2018’ means the Data Protection Act 2018;

“Law” means any applicable law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any regulatory body, delegated or subordinate legislation or notice of any regulatory body.

“Service Credits” means the amount that the Contractor shall credit or pay to the Authority in the event of a failure by the Contractor to meet the agreed Service Levels as set out/referred to in [cross refer to service credit regime in the contract];

“Term” means the period commencing on [the commencement date / the date on which this Contract is signed / the date on which this Contract takes effect] and ending [on the expiry of x years /on x date] or on earlier termination of this Contract.

‘UK GDPR’ means the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) as retained in UK law by the EU (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and the Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019;

**Unlimited liabilities**

46.1.2 Neither Party limits its liability for:

46.1.2.1 death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or sub-contractors (as applicable);

46.1.2.2 fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees;

46.1.2.3 breach of any obligation as to title implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 or section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982, or;

46.1.2.4 any liability to the extent it cannot be limited or excluded by law.

46.1.3 The financial caps on liability set out in Clauses 1.4 and 1.5 below shall not apply to the following:

46.1.3.1 for any indemnity given by the Contractor to the Authority under this Contact, including but not limited to:

46.1.3.1.1 the Contractor's indemnity in relation to DEFCON 91 (Intellectual Property in Software) and Condition 34 (Third Party IP – Rights and Restrictions);

46.1.3.1.2 the Contractor's indemnity in relation to TUPE;

46.1.3.2 for any indemnity given by the Authority to the Contractor under this Contract, including but not limited to:

46.1.3.2.1 the Authority’s indemnity under DEFCON 514A (Failure of Performance under Research and Development Contracts);

46.1.3.2.2 the Authority’s indemnity in relation to TUPE under Schedule [(TUPE)];

46.1.3.3 breach by the Contractor of DEFCON 532A (SC2), and;

46.1.3.4 to the extent it arises as a result of a Default by either Party, any fine or penalty incurred by the other Party pursuant to Law and any costs incurred by such other Party in defending any proceedings which result in such fine or penalty.

46.1.3.5 For the avoidance of doubt any payments due from either of the Parties to the other in accordance with DEFCON 811 (SC2) or the Defence Reform Act 2014 and/or the Single Source Contract Regulations 2014, as amended from time to time, shall not be excluded or limited under the provisions of Clauses 1.4 and/or 1.5 below.

**Financial limits**

46.1.4 Subject to Clauses 1.2 and 1.3 and to the maximum extent permitted by Law:

46.1.4.1 throughout the Term] the Contractor's total liability in respect of losses that are caused by Defaults of the Contractor shall in no event exceed:

46.1.4.1.1 in respect of DEFCON 76 (SC2) £5,000,000.00 (Five Million Pounds Sterling) in aggregate;

46.1.4.1.2 in respect of Condition 43b £5,000,000.00 (Five Million Pounds Sterling) in aggregate;

46.1.4.1.3 in respect of DEFCON 611 (SC2) £5,000,000.00 (Five Million Pounds Sterling) in aggregate, and;

46.1.4.1.4 in respect of condition 28d £5,000,000.00 (Five Million Pounds Sterling) in aggregate;

46.1.4.2 without limiting Clause 46.1.4.1 and subject always to Clauses 46.1.2, 46.1.3 and 46.1.4.3, the Contractor's total liability throughout the Term in respect of all other liabilities (but excluding any Service Credits paid or payable in accordance with [ insert cross reference to service credit/performance provisions ] and [insert cross reference to any other relevant provisions], whether in contract, in tort (including negligence), arising under warranty, under statute or otherwise under or in connection with this Contract shall be !,600,000 (One Million Six Hundred Thousand Pounds Sterling);

46.1.4.3 on the exercise of any and, where more than one, each option period or agreed extension to the Term, the limitation of the Contractor's total liability (in aggregate) set out in Clauses 46.1.4.1 and 46.1.4.2 above shall be fully replenished such that on and from each such exercise or extension of the Term, the Authority shall be able to claim up to the full value of the limitation set out in Clauses 46.1.4.1 and 46.1.4.2 of this Contract.

46.1.5 Subject to Clauses 46.1.2, 46.1.3 and 46.1.6, and to the maximum extent permitted by Law the Authority's total liability (in aggregate) whether in contract, in tort (including negligence), under warranty, under statute or otherwise under or in connection with this Contract shall in respect of all liabilities (taken together) be limited to the Charges paid by the Authority in the relevant Contract Year in respect of any and all claims in that Contract Year.

46.1.6 Clause 46.1.5 shall not exclude or limit the Contractor's right under this Contract to claim for the Charges.

**Consequential loss**

46.1.7 Subject to Clauses 46.1.2, 46.1.3 and 46.1.8, neither Party shall be liable to the other Party or to any third party, whether in contract (including under any warranty), in tort (including negligence), under statute or otherwise for or in respect of:

46.1.7.1 indirect loss or damage;

46.1.7.2 special loss or damage;

46.1.7.3 consequential loss or damage;

46.1.7.4 loss of profits (whether direct or indirect);

46.1.7.5 loss of turnover (whether direct or indirect);

46.1.7.6 loss of business opportunities (whether direct or indirect); or

46.1.7.7 damage to goodwill (whether direct or indirect),

even if that Party was aware of the possibility of such loss or damage to the other Party.

46.1.8 The provisions of Clause 46.1.7 shall not restrict the Authority's ability to recover any of the following losses incurred by the Authority to the extent that they arise as a result of a Default by the Contractor:

46.1.8.1 any additional operational and administrative costs and expenses arising from the Contractor's Default, including any costs paid or payable by the Authority:

46.1.8.1.1 to any third party;

46.1.8.1.2 for putting in place workarounds for the Contractor Deliverables and other deliverables that are reliant on the Contractor Deliverables; and

46.1.8.1.3 relating to time spent by or on behalf of the Authority in dealing with the consequences of the Default;

46.1.8.2 any or all wasted expenditure and losses incurred by the Authority arising from the Contractor's Default, including wasted management time;

46.1.8.3 the additional cost of procuring and maintaining in place transitional assistance and replacement deliverables for the remainder of the Term and any option period or agreed extension to the Term (including legal and other consultants' fees, re-procurement project costs, other expenses associated with such exercise and any increase in the fees for the replacement services over and above the Contract Price that would have been payable for the relevant Contractor Deliverables);

46.1.8.4 any losses arising in connection with the loss, destruction, corruption, inaccuracy or degradation of Authority data, or other data or software, including, to the extent the Authority data, other data or software can be recovered or reconstituted, the fees, costs and expenses of reconstituting such Authority data, data or software;

46.1.8.5 damage to the Authority's physical property and tangible assets, including damage under DEFCONs 76 (SC2) and 611 (SC2);

46.1.8.6 costs, expenses and charges arising from, or any damages, account of profits or other award made for, infringement of any third-party Intellectual Property Rights or breach of any obligations of confidence;

46.1.8.7 any additional costs incurred by the Authority in relation to the Authority's contracts with a third party (including any compensation or interest paid to a third party by the Authority) as a result of the Default (including the extension or replacement of such contracts);

46.1.8.8 any fine or penalty incurred by the Authority pursuant to Law and any costs incurred by the Authority in defending any proceedings which result in such fine or penalty, or;

46.1.8.9 any savings, discounts or price reductions during the Term and any option period or agreed extension to the Term committed to by the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

**Invalidity**

46.1.9 If any limitation or provision contained or expressly referred to in this Condition [1] is held to be invalid under any Law, it will be deemed to be omitted to that extent, and if any Party becomes liable for loss or damage to which that limitation or provision applied, that liability will be subject to the remaining limitations and provisions set out in this Condition [1].

**Third party claims or losses**

46.1.10 Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies the Authority may have under this Contract (including but not limited to any indemnity claim under DEFCONs 91 and Condition 34 or at Law), the Authority shall be entitled to make a claim under this Contract against the Contractor in respect of any losses incurred by the Authority which arise out of a claim made against the Authority by a third party under any contract with that third party provided that such third party claim:

46.1.10.1 arises naturally and ordinarily as a result of the Contractor's failure to provide the Contractor Deliverables or failure to perform any of its obligations under this Contract; and

46.1.10.2 is a type of claim or loss that would have been recoverable under this Contract if the third party were a party to this Contract (whether as the Authority or the Contractor), such claim to be construed as direct losses for the purpose of this Contract.

**No double recovery**

46.1.11 Neither Party shall be entitled to employ such rights and remedies available to it so as to seek to recover more than once in respect of the same loss, but the Authority shall be entitled to use (singly or together) such rights and remedies available to the Authority so as to recover the full extent of any recoverable losses suffered or incurred, including any remedies the Authority may have against any guarantor.

**46.2. Intellectual Property Rights**

46.2.1 All Foreground IPR shall be the property of the Supplier who shall be responsible for deciding whether to apply for patents and other registrable rights. Where patents and/or other registrable rights are applied for in relation to Foreground Material the Supplier shall inform the Authority of such application(s) within 45 working days of their receipt of the certificate of filing. The Authority shall have the non-exclusive right, free of charge, to use any patents and published patent applications arising from Foreground Material for, non-commercial, UK Government Purposes both within UK government (including UK armed forces, UK police and civil defence agencies) and, with the Supplier’s prior written consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld (written consent shall not be required where restrictions prohibit the Authority from seeking such consent), UK government’s representatives, agents, national and international collaborative partners.

46.2.2 The Supplier shall ensure that the terms of engagement of all individuals and/or entities (including all Representatives) carrying out work on their behalf under this Contract are such as to vest ownership in the Supplier, or where it cannot agree or ensure this, the Supplier shall ensure that the rights of the Authority under 46.2.1 and 46.2.8 are secured.

46.2.3 The Supplier shall identify and seek the Authority’s approval of any Background IPR the Supplier plans to utilise for the purpose of delivering the Contract requirements, prior to its use. A Background IP tracker, recorded within Schedule 6, shall be maintained and include the following minimum information:

(a) The IP unique reference(s);

(b) The IP description;

(c) The IP source;

(d) The rationale for inclusion;

(e) The impact of inclusion e.g. identifying the activities\Service outputs that are impacted; and

(f) The reference for approval by the Authority.

46.2.4 The Supplier shall not subcontract the work or any part of the work carried out under this Contract or assign ownership of any Foreground IPR without the prior written consent of the Authority. At the Effective Date such consent to subcontract part of the work and to allow a party (as hereinafter named) to own the Foreground IPR it generates, is granted by the Authority with respect to Rolls Royce with which the subcontractor is carrying out propulsion activities and Northrop Grumman Limited with which the sub-contract is carrying out airframe feasibility for the HVX concept. Any such subcontract executed with Rolls-Royce Holdings plc (and subsidiary companies), Northrop Grumman UK Limited or any agreed subcontractors shall ensure that the licence rights granted under this Contract to the Authority shall be maintained and not be prejudiced or amended in any way.

46.2.5 All publications or other releases of Foreground Material by the Supplier shall be made in accordance with Clause 13 of the SC2 conditions.

46.2.6 For each technical and programmatic Output generated under this Contract the Supplier shall ensure that where such Outputs contain Background Material, the Background Material is clearly identified, including its source. Unless clearly marked as Background Material all delivered material shall be deemed to be Foreground Material and handled as such.

46.2.7 Where the Authority is part of an embedded team and has access to Foreground IP or Background IP which is not in the form of a deliverable under the Funded Activities, then such information shall be treated by the Authority as Confidential Information. Unless requested by the Authority, and such written approval is provided by the Supplier, the Authority will not have the right of use in such Foreground IP or Background IP and will attain the respective rights of use as provided in this Contract only when such Foreground IP or Background IP becomes a deliverable under the Contract.

46.2.8 The Authority shall have the non-exclusive right, free of charge, to disclose and use all Foreground Material and Foreground IPR, in confidence, for non-commercial UK Government Purposes:

(a) within UK government (including UK armed forces, UK police and civil defence agencies), and;

(b) subject to Clause 46.2.9, with the Supplier’s prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) with UK government’s representatives, agents, national and international collaborative partners.

46.2.9 The Authority shall be released from the obligation in Clause 46.2.8(b) to obtain the Supplier’s consent where restrictions prohibit the Authority from doing so. Such restrictions may include, but not be limited to, the classification of topics and discussions above Official Sensitive. The Authority shall make all reasonable efforts to inform the Supplier of the third parties with whom the Authority intends to share Foreground Material and Foreground IPR. The Authority are obligated, through Memorandums of Understanding, classification and marking of Foreground Material and Foreground IPR, to ensure that any third party in receipt of such Foreground Material and Foreground IPR acknowledges that they are not permitted to share any such Foreground Material and Foreground IPR with any Competitor of the Supplier as referenced in Clause 46.2.4 or with any entity which may be a competitor of the Supplier which such third party should have reasonably been aware of.

46.2.10 The Authority shall have, in addition to any other non-exclusive rights they may already have, the right, free of charge, to disclose and use all Background Material and Background IPR, which is included in the Output(s), in confidence, within UK government (which includes UK armed forces, UK police and civil defence agencies) for any non-commercial purpose but only to the extent necessary to be able to use the Foreground Material and Foreground IPR for such non-commercial purpose.

46.2.11 If the Supplier enters into receivership, administration, bankruptcy or insolvent liquidation, or suffers any similar or analogous act, then the Supplier agrees that the licenses granted to the Authority under this contract, in accordance with 46.2.8 and 46.2.10, shall survive any potential sale, transfer or disposal of Foreground IPR.

46.2.12 The Supplier shall keep a record of the work done under this Contract and all Foreground Material for the duration of the Contract and for 6 years after expiry of the Contract. During this time the Authority has the right to request, and the Supplier shall deliver, Foreground Material not contained in the delivered Outputs comprising data and information resulting from studies, analyses or tests that are conducted in the performance of work under the Contract, for so long as this exists. This shall be subject to agreement of a reasonable time frame and a fair and reasonable price for the provision of such Foreground Material.

46.2.13 The Supplier shall indemnify, and keep indemnified, the Authority in full against all costs, expenses, damages and losses (whether direct or indirect), including any interest, penalties, and reasonable legal and other professional fees awarded against or incurred or paid by the Authority as a result of or in connection with any claim made against the Authority for actual or alleged infringement of a third party’s intellectual property arising out of or in connection with, the supply or use of the Services, to the extent that the claim is attributable to the acts or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Personnel.

46.2.14 In connection with the indemnity given in Clause 46.2.12, the Authority shall notify the Supplier in writing of any claim or demand brought against the Authority for infringement or unlicensed use of any Intellectual Property Rights of any third party and the Supplier shall be entitled to take conduct of the claim or demand.

46.2.15 The Supplier shall at the Supplier’s own expense conduct all negotiations and any litigation arising in connection with any such claim or demand, provided always that the Supplier:

(a) shall consult the Authority on all substantive issues which arise during the conduct of such litigation and negotiations;

(b) shall take due and proper account of the interests of the Authority; and

(c) shall not settle or compromise any claim without the Authority’s prior written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). The Authority shall at the request in writing of the Supplier, and at the Supplier’s cost and expense, afford to the Supplier all reasonable assistance for the purpose of contesting any such claim or demand.

46.2.16 Where the Authority, acting reasonably, considers that a claim raises issues of national security (a “Sensitive Claim”), the Supplier shall be entitled to take conduct of any defence, dispute, compromise or appeal only with the prior consent of the Authority. If the Authority withholds such consent and elects to conduct the defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the claim or demand itself, it shall conduct the claim or demand with all due diligence and if it fails to conduct the claim or demand with all due diligence, the Supplier shall only be liable to indemnify the Authority in respect of that amount which would have been recoverable by the Authority had it conducted the claim or demand with all due diligence.

46.2.17 The Authority shall be free at any time to give written notice to the Supplier that it is retaining or taking over the conduct of any claim or demand to which Clause 46.2.14 applies, if in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, the claim is, or has become a Sensitive Claim.

47. The processes that apply to the Contract are:

47.1. Invoicing and payment

47.1.1 The Supplier will issue electronic invoices on CP&F monthly in arrears. The Authority shall pay the Supplier within thirty (30) days of receipt of a valid invoice but will aim to pay the invoice within 5 working days in which the invoice was raised.

47.1.2 This is detailed within the proposed following invoice process:

 47.1.2.1 The Supplier shall provide a Monthly Progress Review, on the 10th working day of the month, to the nominated Authority representative(s) and to the Authority. The Monthly Cost Report shall demonstrate the following costing information:

 47.1.2.2 the costs properly incurred for the purposes to satisfy, in line with SSRO:

47.1.2.2.1 hourly rates constituting the total labour charges for the work performed under the Contract period;

47.1.2.2.2 materials, bought-out parts and subcontracted work.

47.1.2.2.3 overhead and administration charges appropriate to the Contract; and

 47.1.2.2.3 a sum for profit to be agreed and specified in the Contract.

 47.1.4 The Authority shall have the opportunity to review the data, with any Material Omission or Errors highlighted within 5 working days of submission of the Monthly Cost Report.

 47.1.5 Any disputed values which cannot be ascertained as being incurred either through Material Omission or Error, shall be raised to the supplier to be resolved and, if not resolved within the 5 working days shall be, withheld from the invoice value. Once the omission or error is corrected, the value shall be reconciled within the month in which the correction is made and agreed.

47.1.6 Post the 5th working day from submission of the Monthly Cost Report, the undisputed value shall be considered as the valid invoice amount for the purpose of this contract and amount the Authority shall pay in accordance with 4.3.

47.1.7 An Invoice, for the valid and undisputed value, shall be raised by the Supplier, a day after the valid invoice amount is agreed.

47.1.8 The Authority shall use reasonable endeavours to release payment as soon as reasonably possible post submission of the invoice, with the aim to release payment within 5 working days. The Authority shall notify the Supplier when payment has been released.

**SC2 Schedules**

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| **Article** | means, in relation to clause 24 and Schedule 6 only, an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition; |
| **Articles** | means (except in relation to Schedule 10) the Contractor Deliverables (goods and/or the services), including Packaging (and Certificate(s) of Conformity and supplied in accordance with any QA requirements if specified) which the Contractor is required to provide under the Contract in accordance with Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements), but excluding incidentals outside Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) such as progress reports. |
| **Authority** | means the Secretary of State for Defence acting on behalf of the Crown; |
| **Authority’s Representative(s)** | shall be those person(s) defined in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) who will act as the Authority’s Representative(s) in connection with the Contract. Where the term “Authority’s Representative(s)” in the Conditions is immediately followed by a functional description in brackets, the appropriate Authority’s Representative(s) shall be the designated person(s) for the purposes of Condition 7; |
| **Business Day** | means 09:00 to 17:00 Monday to Friday, excluding public and statutory holidays; |
| **Central Government Body** | a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:a. Government Department;b. Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);c. Non-Ministerial Department; ord. Executive Agency; |
| **Collaborative Defence Agreement** | means any treaty, agreement, MOU or other like formal arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the UK Government, the Authority or any other UK Government Department with another government, government agency, intergovernmental organisation or its agency, for the UK Government’s own or its shared defence, civil defence, or security or national or international intelligence purposes.and which may provide, without limitation, for information exchanges, information awareness or assessment, research projects, or technology demonstrator projects |
| **Collect** | means pick up the Contractor Deliverables from the Consignor. This shall include loading, and any other specific arrangements, agreed in accordance with Clause 28.c and Collected and Collection shall be construed accordingly; |
| **Commercial Packaging** | means commercial Packaging for military use as described in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1); |
| **Conditions** | means the terms and conditions set out in this document; |
| **Consignee** | means that part of the Authority identified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) to whom the Contractor Deliverables are to be Delivered or on whose behalf they are to be Collected at the address specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) or such other part of the Authority as may be instructed by the Authority by means of a Diversion Order; |
| **Consignor** | means the name and address specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet) from whom the Contractor Deliverables will be dispatched or Collected; |
| **Contract** | means the Contract including its Schedules and any amendments agreed by the Parties in accordance with condition 6 ( Formal Amendments to the Contract); |
| **Contract Price** | means the amount set out in Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) to be paid (inclusive of Packaging and exclusive of any applicable VAT) by the Authority to the Contractor, for the full and proper performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract. |
| **Contractor** | means the person who, by the Contract, undertakes to supply the Contractor Deliverables, for the Authority as is provided by the Contract. Where the Contractor is an individual or a partnership, the expression shall include the personal representatives of the individual or of the partners, as the case may be, and the expression shall also include any person to whom the benefit of the Contract may be assigned by the Contractor with the consent of the Authority; |
| **Contractor Deliverables** | means the goods and/or the services, including Packaging (and Certificate(s) of Conformity and supplied in accordance with any QA requirements if specified) which the Contractor is required to provide under the Contract; |
| **Control** | means the power of a person to secure that the affairs of the Contractor are conducted in accordance with the wishes of that person:a. by means of the holding of shares, or the possession of voting powers in, or in relation to, the Contractor; orb. by virtue of any powers conferred by the constitutional or corporate documents, or any other document, regulating the Contractor; and a change of Control occurs if a person who Controls the Contractor ceases to do so or if another person acquires Control of the Contractor; |
| **CPET** | means the UK Government’s Central Point of Expertise on Timber, which provides a free telephone helpline and website to support implementation of the UK Government timber procurement policy; |
| **Crown Use** | in relation to a patent means the doing of anything by virtue of Sections 55 to 57 of the Patents Act 1977 which otherwise would be an infringement of the patent and in relation to a Registered Design has the meaning given in paragraph 2A(6) of the First Schedule to the Registered Designs Act 1949; |
| **Dangerous Goods** | means those substances, preparations and articles that are capable of posing a risk to health, safety, property or the environment which are prohibited by regulation, or classified and authorised only under the conditions prescribed by the:a. Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2009 (CDG) (as amended 2011);b. European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR);c. Regulations Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID);d. International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code;e. International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air;f. International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations. |
| **DBS Finance** | means Defence Business Services Finance, at the address stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet); |
| **DEFFORM** | means the MOD DEFFORM series which can be found at <https://www.kid.mod.uk>; |
| **DEF STAN** | means Defence Standards which can be accessed at [https://www.dstan.mod.uk](http://www.dstan.mod.uk); |
| **Deliver** | means hand over the Contractor Deliverables to the Consignee. This shall include unloading, and any other specific arrangements, agreed in accordance with Condition 28 and Delivered and Delivery shall be construed accordingly; |
| **DeliveryDate** | means the date as specified in Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements) on which the Contractor Deliverables or the relevant portion of them are to be Delivered or made available for Collection; |
| **Denomination of Quantity (D of Q)** | means the quantity or measure by which an item of material is managed; |
| **Design Right(s)** | has the meaning ascribed to it by Section 213 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988; |
| **Diversion Order** | means the Authority’s written instruction (typically given by MOD Form 199) for urgent Delivery of specified quantities of Contractor Deliverables to a Consignee other than the Consignee stated in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet); |
| **EffectiveDate of Contract** | means the date upon which both Parties have signed the Contract; |
| **Evidence** | means either:a. an invoice or delivery note from the timber supplier or Subcontractor to the Contractor specifying that the product supplied to the Authority is FSC or PEFC certified; orb. other robust Evidence of sustainability or FLEGT licensed origin, as advised by CPET; |
| **Firm Price** | means a price (excluding VAT) which is not subject to variation; |
| **FLEGT** | means the Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade initiative by the European Union to use the power of timber-consuming countries to reduce the extent of illegal logging; |
| **Foreground IPR** | means all IPR in Foreground Technical Information, including patents for any inventions generated in the performance of work under the Contract, and patents for any inventions conceived out of the technical requirements of the Contract if these have been first enabled in the performance of work under the Contract. |
| **Foreground Technical Information** | means Technical Information which is generated in the performance of work under the Contract. |
| **For the Services of the United Kingdom Government** | means anything done by the Authority, under the authority of, or to the order of, a Minister of the Crown in pursuance of the authority vested in the Minister by Parliament. |
| **Full Rights Information** | means Foreground Technical Information together with the following (which may not wholly consist of Foreground Technical Information):(1) data and information resulting from studies analyses or tests that are conducted in the performance of work under the Contract;(2) any item which is specifically required to be produced in the performance of work under the Contract, such as a mathematical model, algorithm or software program; and(3) a requirement document or specification which is specifically required to be produced in the performance of work under the Contract. |
| **Full Rights Version** | means a version of a Technical Deliverable which comprises Full Rights Information and which is coherent in itself. |
| **Government Furnished Assets (GFA)** | is a generic term for any MOD asset such as equipment, information or resources issued or made available to the Contractor in connection with the Contract by or on behalf of the Authority; |
| **Hazardous Contractor Deliverable** | means a Contractor Deliverable or a component of a Contractor Deliverable that is itself a hazardous material or substance or that may in the course of its use, maintenance, disposal, or in the event of an accident, release one or more hazardous materials or substances and each material or substance that may be so released; |
| **Independent Verification** | means that an evaluation is undertaken and reported by an individual or body whose organisation, systems and procedures conform to “ISO Guide 65:1996 (EN 45011:1998) General requirements for bodies operating product certification systems or equivalent”, and who is accredited to audit against forest management standards by a body whose organisation, systems and procedures conform to “ISO 17011: 2004 General Requirements for Providing Assessment and Accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies or equivalent”; |
| **Information** | means any Information in any written or other tangible form disclosed to one Party by or on behalf of the other Party under or in connection with the Contract; |
| **Issued Property** | means any item of Government Furnished Assets (GFA), including any materiel issued or otherwise furnished to the Contractor in connection with the Contract by or on behalf of the Authority; |
| **Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)** | means all patents, utility models, rights (registered and unregistered) in any designs; applications for any of the foregoing; copyright; confidential information and trade secrets; and all rights and forms of protection of a similar nature to these or having equivalent effect anywhere in the world. |
| **Legal and Sustainable** | means production and process methods, also referred to as timber production standards, as defined by the document titled “UK Government Timber Production Policy: Definition of legal and sustainable for timber procurement". The edition current on the day the Contract documents are issued by the Authority shall apply; |
| **Legislation** | means in relation to the United Kingdom any Act of Parliament, any subordinate legislation within the meaning of section 21 of the Interpretation Act 1978, or any exercise of Royal Prerogative; |
| **Limited Rights Information** | means Technical Information which is neither in the public domain nor Full Rights Information, whether owned by the Contractor a subcontractor or a third party, and which comprises details of any of the following:(1) techniques of design or test or data management, manufacturing methods and processes, products (including software) or materials, and; (2) any other category specifically identified in the Contract as being Limited Rights Information when the requirements for Technical Deliverables are agreed. |
| **Limited Rights Version** | means a version of a Technical Deliverable specifically comprising or including Limited Rights Information |
| **Military Level Packaging (MLP)** | means Packaging that provides enhanced protection in accordance with Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1), beyond that which Commercial Packaging normally provides for the military supply chain; |
| **Military Packager****Approval Scheme (MPAS)** | is a MOD sponsored scheme to certify military Packaging designers and register organisations, as capable of producing acceptable Services Packaging Instruction Sheet (SPIS) designs in accordance with Defence Standard (Def Stan) 81-041 (Part 4); |

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| **Military Packaging Level (MPL)** | shall have the meaning described in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1); |
| **Mixture** | means a mixture or solution composed of two or more substances; |
| **MPAS Registered Organisation** | is a packaging organisation having one or more MPAS Certificated Designers capable of Military Level designs. A company capable of both Military Level and commercial Packaging designs including MOD labelling requirements; |
| **MPAS Certificated Designer** | shall mean an experienced Packaging designer trained and certified to MPAS requirements; |
| **NATO** | means the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation which is an inter-governmental military alliance based on the North Atlantic Treaty which was signed on 4 April 1949; |
| **Notices** | shall mean all Notices, orders, or other forms of communication required to be given in writing under or in connection with the Contract; |
| **Overseas** | shall mean non UK or foreign; |
| **Packaging** | Verb. The operations involved in the preparation of materiel for; transportation, handling, storage and Delivery to the user; Noun. The materials and components used for the preparation of the Contractor Deliverables for transportation and storage in accordance with the Contract; |
| **Packaging Design Authority (PDA)** | shall mean the organisation that is responsible for the original design of the Packaging except where transferred by agreement. The PDA shall be identified in the Contract, see Annex A to Schedule 3 (Appendix – Addresses and Other Information), Box 3; |
| **Parties** | means the Contractor and the Authority, and Party shall be construed accordingly; |
| **Plastic Packaging Components** | shall have the same meaning as set out in Part 2 of the Finance Act 2021 together with any associated secondary legislation; |
| **PPT** | means a tax called “plastic packaging tax” charged in accordance with Part 2 of the Finance Act 2021;  |
| **PPT Legislation** | means the legislative provisions set out in Part 2 and Schedule 9-15 of the Finance Act 2021 together with any secondary legislation made under powers contained in Part 2 of the Finance Act 2021. This includes, but is not limited to, The Plastic Packaging Tax (Descriptions of Products) Regulations 2021 and The Plastic Packaging Tax (General) Regulations 2022; |
| **Primary Packaging Quantity(PPQ)** | means the quantity of an item of material to be contained in an individual package, which has been selected as being the most suitable for issue(s) to the ultimate user, as described in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1); |

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| **Publishable Performance Information** | means any of the Information in Schedule 9 (KPI Data Report) as it relates to Key Performance Indicator where it is expressed as publishable in the table in Schedule 9 which shall not contain any Information which is exempt from disclosure which shall be determined by the Authority; and which shall not constitute Sensitive Information; |

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| **Recycled Timber** | means recovered wood that prior to being supplied to the Authority had an end use as a standalone object or as part of a structure. Recycled Timber covers:a. pre-consumer reclaimed wood and wood fibre and industrial by-products;b. post-consumer reclaimed wood and wood fibre, and driftwood;c.reclaimed timber abandoned or confiscated at least ten years previously;it excludes sawmill co-products; |
| **Research and Technology Agreement** | means a Collaborative Defence Agreement, not being one established for the development or procurement of a specific equipment, which is within the field of research and technology |
| **Robust Contractor Deliverables** | shall mean Robust items as described in Def Stan 81-041 (Part 2) |
| **Safety Data Sheet** | has the meaning as defined in the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) Regulations 2007 (as amended); |
| **Schedule of Requirements** | means Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements), which identifies, either directly or by reference, Contractor Deliverables to be provided, the quantities and dates involved and the price or pricing terms in relation to each Contractor Deliverable; |
| **Sensitive Information** | means the Information listed in the completed Schedule 5 (Contractor’s Sensitive Information), which is Information notified by the Contractor to the Authority, which is acknowledged by the Authority as being sensitive, at the point at which the Contract is entered into or amended (as relevant) and remains sensitive information at the time of publication; |
| **Short-Rotation Coppice** | means a specific management regime whereby the poles of trees are cut every one to two years and which is aimed at producing biomass for energy. It is exempt from the UK Government timber procurement policy. For avoidance of doubt, Short-Rotation Coppice is not conventional coppice, which is subject to the timber policy; |

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| **Specification** | means the description of the Contractor Deliverables, including any specifications, drawings, samples and / or patterns, and shall include any document or item which, individually or collectively is referred to in Schedule 2 (Schedule of Requirements). The Specification forms part of the Contract and all Contractor Deliverables to be supplied by the Contractor under the Contract shall conform in all respects with the Specification; |
| **STANAG4329** | means the publication NATO Standard Bar Code Symbologies which can be sourced at [https://www.dstan.mod.uk/faqs.html](http://www.dstan.mod.uk/faqs.html); |
| **Subcontractor** | means any subcontractor engaged by the Contractor or by any other subcontractor of the Contractor at any level of subcontracting to provide Contractor Deliverables wholly or substantially for the purpose of performing (or contributing to the performance of) the whole or any part of this Contract and ‘Subcontract’ shall be interpreted accordingly; |
| **Substance** | means a chemical element and its compounds in the natural state or obtained by any manufacturing process, including any additive necessary to preserve its stability and any impurity deriving from the process used, but excluding any solvent which may be separated without affecting the stability of the substance or changing its composition; |
| **Technical Deliverable** | means a document or product comprising Technical Information which is required to be provided to the Authority under the terms of the Contract. |
| **Technical Information** | means information of a scientific or technical nature (including information in the form of know-how, inventions, designs, secret formula and processes, and other confidential information) which is recorded or documented in any medium and whether or not in human readable format, but excluding unrecorded information communicated solely by oral communications. It may be presented in the form of documents, pictorial reproductions, drawing and other graphical representations, disc and film recordings (magnetic, optical and laser), computer software both programmatic and data base, and computer memory printouts or data retained in computer memory, or other form.  |
| **Timber and Wood-Derived Products** | means timber (including Recycled Timber and Virgin Timber but excluding Short-Rotation Coppice) and any products that contain wood or wood fibre derived from those timbers. Such products range from solid wood to those where the manufacturing processes obscure the wood element; |

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| **Transparency Information** | means the content of this Contract in its entirety, including from time to time agreed changes to the Contract, except for (i) any Information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), which shall be determined by the Authority, and (ii) any Sensitive Information; |
| **UK National Defence Agreement** | means any invitation to tender, agreement, or contract, issued or entered into by or on behalf of the Authority in any territory pursuant to its own defence, civil defence, or security or intelligence purposes and which may provide, without limitation, for information awareness or assessment, or research, or design development, integration, manufacture, provision or support of any equipment materials tools or services. |
| **Use** | means utilisation of Technical Deliverables and Technical Information in accordance with this Condition for the purposes provided hereunder and, within these limitations, shall include the reproduction and modification of Technical Deliverables. |
| **Virgin Timber** | means Timber and Wood-Derived Products that do not include Recycled Timber. |

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| **Contractor Deliverables** |
| **Item No** | **MOD Stock Ref. No** | **Part No.****(where****applicable)** | **Specification** | **Consignee** **Address** **Code** (full address is detailed in DEFFORM 96) | **Packaging Requirements inc. PPQ and DofQ** (as detailed in DEFFORM 96) | **Delivery** **Date** | **Total Qty** | **Price (£) Ex VAT** |
| **Per Item** | **Total inc. Packaging (and Delivery if specified in Schedule 3 (Contract Data Sheet))** |
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| **Item****Number** | **Consignee Address (XY code only)** |
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| **General Conditions** |
| **Condition 2 – Duration of Contract:**The Contract expiry date shall be 31 March 2025, unless extended by mutual consent in accordance with the Contract. |
| **Condition 4 – Governing Law:**The Contract is to be governed and construed in accordance with English Law |
| **Condition 7 – Authority’s Representatives:**The Authority’s Representatives for the Contract are as follows:Commercial: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (as per Annex A to Schedule 3 (DEFFORM 111))Project Manager: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (as per Annex A to Schedule 3) (DEFFORM 111)) |
| **Condition 18 – Notices:**Notices served under the Contract shall be sent to the following address:Authority: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (as per Annex A to Schedule 3 (DEFFORM 111))Contractor: Reaction Engines Limited, a company registered in England and Wales under Company number 02413577 and having a registered office at Building F5, Culham Campus, Abingdon, England, OX14 3DBNotices can be sent by electronic mail? (delete as appropriate)Yes ~~No~~ |

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| **Condition 19.a – Progress Meetings:**The Contractor shall be required to attend the following meetings:Progress Meetings Details: *TBA* |
| **Condition 19.b – Progress Reports:**The Contractor is required to submit the following Reports:Progress Reports: *As per the Statement of Requirement*Reports shall be Delivered to the following address:*As per the Statement of Requirement* |
| **Supply of Contractor Deliverables** |
| **Condition 20 – Quality Assurance:**Is a Deliverable Quality Plan required for this Contract? (delete as appropriate)~~Yes~~ No  |
| **Condition 21 – Marking of Contractor Deliverables:***Not used* |

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| **Condition 24 - Supply of Data for Hazardous Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables:**A completed Schedule 6 (Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Substances, Mixture or Articles Statement), and if applicable, UK REACH compliant Safety Data Sheet(s) are to be provided by e-mail with attachments in Adobe PDF or MS WORD format to:a) The Authority’s Representative (Commercial)b) Defence Safety Authority – DESTECH-QSEPEnv-HSISMulti@mod.gov.ukto be Delivered no later than one (1) month prior to the Delivery Date for the Contract Deliverable or by the following date: [ ] |
| **Condition 25 – Timber and Wood-Derived Products:***Not applicable* |
| **Condition 26 – Certificate of Conformity:**Is a Certificate of Conformity required for this Contract? (delete as appropriate)~~Yes~~ No  |
| **Condition 28.b – Delivery by the Contractor:***In accordance with the Statement of Requirement* |
| **Condition 28.c - Collection by the Authority:***Not applicable* |
| **Condition 30 – Rejection:**The default time limit for rejection of the Contractor Deliverables is thirty (30) days . |

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| **Condition 32 – Self-to-Self Delivery:**Self-to-Self Delivery required? (delete as appropriate)~~Yes~~ No If required, Delivery address applicable:[ ] |
| **Pricing and Payment** |
| **Condition 35 – Contract Price:**All Schedule 2 line items shall be FIRM Price other than those stated below:Line Items [ ]Clause 46. [ ] refers |
| **Termination** |
| **Condition 42 – Termination for Convenience:**The Notice period for terminating the Contract shall be twenty (20) days . |
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| **Other Addresses and Other Information** *(forms and publications addresses and official use information)* |
| See Annex A to Schedule 3 (DEFFORM 111) |

**Contract Change Control Procedure (i.a.w. clause 6.d) for Contract No: 710871451**

**Authority Changes**

1. The Authority shall be entitled to propose any change to the Contract (a " Change") or (subject to Clause 2) Changes in accordance with this Schedule 4.

2. Nothing in this Schedule shall operate to prevent the Authority from specifying more than one Change in any single proposal, provided that such changes are related to the same or similar matter or matters.

**Notice of Change**

3. If the Authority wishes to propose a Change or Changes, it shall serve a written notice (an "Authority Notice of Change") on the Contractor.

4. The Authority Notice of Change shall set out the Change(s) proposed by the Authority in sufficient detail to enable the Contractor to provide a written proposal (a "Contractor Change Proposal") in accordance with clauses 7 to 9 (inclusive).

5. The Contractor may only refuse to implement a Change or Changes proposed by the Authority, if such change(s):

a. would, if implemented, require the Contractor to deliver any Contractor Deliverables under the Contract in a manner that infringes any applicable law relevant to such delivery; and/or

b. would, if implemented, cause any existing consent obtained by or on behalf of the Contractor in connection with their obligations under the Contract to be revoked (or would require a new necessary consent to be obtained to implement the Change(s) which, after using reasonable efforts, the Contractor has been unable to obtain or procure and reasonably believes it will be unable to obtain or procure using reasonable efforts); and/or

c. would, if implemented, materially change the nature and scope of the requirement (including its risk profile) under the Contract, and;

d. the Contractor notifies the Authority within 10 (ten) Business Days (or such longer period as shall have been agreed in writing by the parties) after the date of the Authority Notice of Change that the relevant proposed Change or Changes is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c providing written evidence for the Contractor's reasoning on the matter, and;

e. further to such notification:

(1) either the Authority notifies the Contractor in writing that the Authority agrees, or (where the Authority (acting reasonably) notifies the Contractor that the Authority disputes the Contractor's notice under Clause 5.d) it is determined in accordance with Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution), that the relevant Change(s) is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c, and;

(2) (where the Authority either agrees or it is so determined that the relevant Change(s) is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c) the Authority fails to make sufficient adjustments to the relevant Authority Notice of Change (and issue a revised Authority Notice of Change) to remove the Contractor's grounds for refusing to implement the relevant Change under Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c within 10 (ten) Business Days (or such longer period as shall have been agreed in writing by the parties) after:

i) the date on which the Authority notifies in writing the Contractor that the Authority agrees that the relevant Change(s) is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c), or;

ii) the date of such determination.

6. The Contractor shall at all times act reasonably, and shall not seek to raise unreasonable objections, in respect of any such adjustment.

**Contractor Change Proposal**

7. As soon as practicable, and in any event within:

a. (where the Contractor has not notified the Authority that the relevant Change or Changes is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c in accordance with Clause 5) fifteen (15) Business Days (or such other period as the Parties agree (acting reasonably) having regard to the nature of the Change(s)) after the date on which the Contract shall have received the Authority Notice of Change, or;

b. (where the Contractor has notified the Authority that the relevant Change or Changes is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c in accordance with Clause 5 and:

(1) the Authority has agreed with the Contractor's conclusion so notified or it is determined under Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution) that the relevant Change(s) is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c and the Authority has made sufficient adjustments to the relevant Authority Notice of Change (and issued a revised Authority Notice of Change(s)) to remove the Contractor's grounds for refusing to implement the relevant Change(s) under Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c) fifteen (15) Business Days (or such other period as the parties shall have agreed (both parties acting reasonably) having regard to the nature of the Change(s)) after the date on which the Contractor shall have received such revised Authority Notice of Change, or;

(2) the Authority has disputed such conclusion and it has been determined in accordance with Condition 40 (Dispute Resolution) that the relevant Change(s) is/are not a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c) fifteen (15) Business Days (or such other period as the parties shall have agreed (both parties acting reasonably) having regard to the nature of the Change(s)) after the date of such determination, the Contractor shall deliver to the Authority a Contractor Change Proposal. For the avoidance of doubt, the Contractor shall not be obliged to deliver to the Authority a Contractor Change Proposal where the Contractor notifies the Authority, and the Authority agrees or it is determined further to such notification in accordance with Clause 5, that the relevant Change or Changes is/are a Change(s) falling within the scope of Clauses 5.a, 5.b and/or 5.c.

8. The Contractor Change Proposal shall comprise in respect of each and all Change(s) proposed:

a. the effect of the Change(s) on the Contractor’s obligations under the Contract;

b. a detailed breakdown of any costs which result from the Change(s);

c. the programme for implementing the Change(s);

d. any amendment required to this Contract as a result of the Change(s), including, where appropriate, to the Contract Price, and;

e. such other information as the Authority may reasonably require.

9. The price for any Change(s) shall be based on the prices (including rates) already agreed for the Contract and shall include, without double recovery, only such charges that are fairly and properly attributable to the Change(s).

**Contractor Change Proposal – Process and Implementation**

10. As soon as practicable after the Authority receives a Contractor Change Proposal, the Authority shall:

a. evaluate the Contractor Change Proposal; and

b. where necessary, discuss with the Contractor any issues arising (and (in relation to a Change(s) proposed by the Authority) following such discussions the Authority may modify the Authority Notice of Change) and the Contractor shall as soon as practicable, and in any event not more than ten (10) Business Days (or such other period as the Parties shall have agreed in writing) after receipt of such modification, submit an amended Contractor Change Proposal.

11. As soon as practicable after the Authority has evaluated the Contractor Change Proposal (amended as necessary) the Authority shall:

a. either indicate its acceptance of the Change Proposal by issuing a DEFFORM10B in accordance with Condition 6 (Formal Amendments to the Contract), whereupon the Contractor shall promptly sign and return to the Authority the Contractor's DEFFORM 10B indicating their unqualified acceptance of such amendment in accordance with, and otherwise discharge their obligations under, such Condition and implement the relevant Change(s) in accordance with such proposal, or;

b. serve Notice on the Contractor rejecting the Contractor Change Proposal and withdrawing (where issued in relation to a Change or Changes proposed by the Authority) the Authority Notice of Change (in which case such notice of change shall have no further effect)

12. If the Authority rejects the Contractor Change Proposal, it shall not be obliged to give its reasons for such rejection.

13. The Authority shall not be liable to the Contractor for any additional work undertaken or expense incurred in connection with the implementation of any Change(s), unless a Contractor Change Proposal has been accepted by the Authority in accordance with Clause 11a. and then subject only to the terms of the Contractor Change proposal so accepted.

**Contractor Changes**

14. If the Contractor wishes to propose a Change or Change(s), they shall serve a Contractor Change Proposal on the Authority. Such proposal shall be prepared and reviewed in accordance with and otherwise be subject to the provisions of Clauses 8 to 13 (inclusive).

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| Contact Details for Transparency / Freedom of Information matters:Name:      Position:      Address:      Telephone Number:      Email Address:       |

**Hazardous Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables Supplied**

**under the Contract (i.a.w. Condition 24): Data Requirements for Contract No: [ ]**

**Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Substances, Mixtures or**

**Articles Statement by the Contractor**

*Not used.*

**Timber and Wood- Derived Products Supplied under the Contract:Data Requirements for Contract No: [ ]**

*Not used.***Schedule 9 - Publishable Performance Information - Key Performance Indicator Data Report (i.a.w. Condition 12) for Contract No: 710871451**

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| **KPI Description\*** | **Rating Thresholds** | **Frequency of Measurement** | **Quarter and Year\*** | **Average for Reporting Period** | **Rating\*** | **Comment\*** |
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| Requires Improvement: [ ] |
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| Social Value KPI (if applicable) [ ] | Good\*: [ ] | [ ] | [ ] | [ ] | [ ] | [ ] |
| Approaching Target: [ ] |
| Requires Improvement: [ ] |
| Inadequate: [ ] |

\*Publishable fields. Please note, of the four Rating Thresholds, only the ‘Good’ threshold is published.

Please see the [DEFFORM 539B Explanatory Notes](https://www.kid.mod.uk/maincontent/business/commercial/downloads/defforms/expl_not/539B_expln.pdf) for guidance on completing the KPI Data Report.

**Schedule 10 – Notification of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Restrictions for Contract No.**

**PART A – Notification of IPR Restrictions**

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| 1. ITT / Contract Number |  |
| 2. ID #  | 3. Unique Technical Data Reference Number / Label | 4. Unique Article(s)\* Identification Number / Label  | 5. Statement Describing IPR Restriction | 6. Ownership of the Intellectual Property Rights |
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Please continue on additional sheets where necessary.

\* Article(s), for the purpose of this form only, means part or the whole of any item, component or process which the Contractor is required under the Contract to supply or in connection with which it is required under the Contract to carry out any service and any other article or part thereof to the same design as that article.

**PART B – System / Product Breakdown Structure (PBS)**

*Not used*

**DEFFORM 111**

**Appendix - Addresses and Other Information**

**1. Commercial Officer**

Name: C J HUDDLESTON

Address: Air Commercial, Nimrod Building, 3 Site, RAF High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4UE

Email: Chris.Huddleston100@mod.gov.uk

Tel: : 07967 455256

**2. Project Manager, Equipment Support Manager or PT Leader** (from whom technical information is available)

Name: Varunjay Ahluwalia

Address: RCO, A2, Cody Technology Park, Farnborough, GU14 0LX

Email: Varunjay.Ahluwalia102@mod.gov.uk

**3. Packaging Design Authority** Organisation & point of contact:

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(Where no address is shown please contact the Project Team in Box 2)

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**4. (a) Supply / Support Management Branch or Order Manager:**

*Not applicable.*

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**6.** **Intentionally Blank**

**7.** **Intentionally Blank :** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. **AQAPS** and **DEF STANs** are available from UK Defence Standardization, for access to the documents and details of the helpdesk visit http://dstan.uwh.diif.r.mil.uk/  [intranet] or https://www.dstan.mod.uk/ [extranet, registration needed].

**9. Consignment Instructions** The items are to be consigned as follows: Project Manager

**10. Transport.** The appropriate Ministry of Defence Transport Offices are:

**A. DSCOM**, DE&S, DSCOM, MoD Abbey Wood, Cedar 3c, Mail Point 3351, BRISTOL BS34 8JH

Air Freight Centre

IMPORTS (( 030 679 81113 / 81114 Fax 0117 913 8943

EXPORTS (( 030 679 81113 / 81114 Fax 0117 913 8943

Surface Freight Centre

IMPORTS (( 030 679 81129 / 81133 / 81138 Fax 0117 913 8946

EXPORTS (( 030 679 81129 / 81133 / 81138 Fax 0117 913 8946

**B.JSCS**

JSCS Helpdesk No. 01869 256052 (select option 2, then option 3)

JSCS Fax No. 01869 256837

[www.freightcollection.com](http://www.freightcollection.com/)

**11. The Invoice Paying Authority**

Ministry of Defence, DBS Finance, Walker House, Exchange Flags Liverpool, L2 3YL

(( 0151-242-2000 Fax: 0151-242-2809

**Website is:** [https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence/about/procurement#invoice-processing](#https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry_of_defence/about/procurement)

**12. Forms and Documentation are available through \*:**

Ministry of Defence, Forms and Pubs Commodity Management PO Box 2, Building C16, C Site, Lower Arncott, Bicester, OX25 1LP (Tel. 01869 256197 Fax: 01869 256824)

**Applications via fax or email:** [Leidos-FormsPublications@teamleidos.mod.uk](https://modgovuk-my.sharepoint.com/u01/appmprod/apps/fs2/FMW_Home/user_projects/domains/EBS_domain/Leidos-FormsPublications%40teamleidos.mod.uk)

**\* NOTE**

**1.** Many **DEFCONs** and **DEFFORMs** can be obtained from the MOD Internet Site:

https://www.kid.mod.uk/maincontent/business/commercial/index.htm

2. If the required forms or documentation are not available on the MOD Internet site requests should be submitted through the Commercial Officer named in Section 1.

**Deliverables**

See Statement of Requirement

**Supplier Contractual Deliverables**

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| Name | Description | Due | Responsible Party |
| Contract Planning and Administration - Completion of Contract Statistics (reminder) | To update and complete Contract Statistics Form paying paticular attention to SIC code, Location of Work and Subcontractors information (discussing with Contractor as necessary to complete) | Due 1 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 21 ( Edn 06/21) Clause - 3a - Maintenance of Deliverables (reminder) | To maintain at least one copy of all deliverable information to which DEFCON 21 applies during the period of the Contract and for at least two years after the Contract, or period as may be specified in the contract. | Due 1 month before Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 91 ( Edn 06/21) Clause - 5b - Software as required | A copy of the Software as is required for performance of obligations to be retained. | Due 3 months before Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 127 ( Edn 12/14) Clause - 3a - Supply of Estimates of Costs | Supply estimates of the costs of production or performance of the Contractor Deliverables. | Due 3 months before Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 130 ( Edn 11/21) Clause - 10 - Safety Data Sheet Provision | A Safety Data Sheet in respect of each Dangerous Good in accordance with the REACH Regulations 2007 and the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 to be provided no later than one month before delivery is due. | Due 4 weeks before Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 653 ( Edn 12/14) Clause - 2 - Submission of costs. | Submission of costs. | Due 0 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 653 ( Edn 12/14) Clause - 3 - Maintain details of costs. | Maintain details of costs. | Due 0 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 653 ( Edn 12/14) Clause - 4 - Submission of Defform 812 (Contract Costs statement). | Submission of Defform 812 (Contract Costs statement). | Due 8 months after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 697 ( Edn 11/22) Clause - 6f - Confirmation that employees have appropriate security clearance. | Confirmation that employees have appropriate security clearance. | Due 1 month before Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation DEFCON 697 ( Edn 11/22) Clause - 6h - Confirm that appropriate risk assessments have been undertaken. | Confirmation that appropriate risk assessments have been undertaken. | Due 1 month before Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 1.c.(2) - Notification of litigation  | Notification of; Litigation, arbitration, administrative, adjudication or mediation proceedings against itself or a Subcontractor |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 1.c.(4) - Notification of Winding-up  | Notice of any proceedings or steps taken for its winding-up or dissolution or for the appointment of a receiver, administrator, liquidator, |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 5.b - Notice of inconsistancy between contract documents | If either Party becomes aware of any inconsistency within or between Contractual documents they shall notify the other Party forthwith |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 16.a - Change of Control of Contractor | Written Notification of any intended, planned or actual change in control of the Contractor, including any Sub-contractors. |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 16.b - Notification of Concern due to Change of Control | advise the Contractor in writing of any concerns due to Change of Control |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 18.a - Contractors Records (reminder) | maintain all records in connection with the Contract for a period of at least six (6) years | Due 3 months before Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 20.a - Attendance at Progress Meetings | attend progress meetings at the frequency or times specified in the contract | Repeats every 3 months on the First Day of the Month starting 1 month after Contract Agreement Start Date until 0 day after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 20.b - Progress Reports | submit progress reports at the times and in the format specified in the contract | Repeats every 3 months on the First Day of the Month starting 1 month after Contract Agreement Start Date until 0 day after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 23.e, 24.a, and 24.c - Safety Data Sheet | provide a Safety Data Sheet in respect of each Dangerous/Hazardous Material or substance supplied or deliverable containing such. |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 23.f.(6) And Condition 23.g.(1).(b) - Documents relating to design of new MLP Packaging | "All SPIS, new or modified, shall be uploaded by the on to SPIN.where the Supplier is the PDA and registered a list of all SPIS which have been prepared or revised against the Contract; anda copy of all new / revised SPIS, complete with all continuation sheets and associated drawings shall be provided for upload" |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 24.d - Schedule 6 hazardous Contractor Deliverables, Materials or Substances Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements | a completed Schedule 6 (Hazardous Contractor Deliverables, Materials or Substances Supplied under the Contract: Data Requirements) | Due 0 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition - Compliance with hazard reporting requirements for materials or substances are ordnance, munitions or explosives | in addition to the requirements of UK REACH CLP the Contractor shall comply with hazard reporting requirements of DEF STAN 07-085 Design Requirements for Weapons and Associated Systems. |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 25.c - Source of Timber and Wood | If requested Evidence that the Timber and Wood-Derived Products supplied to the Authority comply with the requirements of clause 25.a or 25.b or both. |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 26.a - Certificate of Conformity | sufficient information, certification, documentation and other reasonable assistance to obtain necessary UK import/export licence or to facilitate the granting of export/import licences or authorisations by a foreign Government |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 36.a - Provide Registration Details for CP&F | provide details for registration on CP&F |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 37.c - Notification of applicable VAT | Notification of VAT liability or changes to it |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Condition 42.c.(2) - Post notification of Termination | List of Unused and undamaged materiel; contractor deliverables in the course of manufacture. |  | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation Clause Condition 42.f - Subcontract Termination | inclusion of Termination clause in subcontracts over £250,000 | Due 0 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Contract Reporting Plan (CRP) | Must be provided by the contractor within one month of the initial reporting date. | Due 20 days after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Contract Notification Report (CNR) | Must be provided by the contractor within one month of the initial reporting date. | Due 20 days after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Quarterly Contract Report (QCR) | >£50M must be provided by the contractor within one month of the end of each calendar quarter, and every calendar quarter thereafter throughout the life of the QDC. No report is required for the calendar quarter in which the initial reporting date falls or the final quarter where contract completion takes place. | Repeats every 3 months on the First Day of the Month starting 3 months after Contract Agreement Start Date until 0 day after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Interim Contract Report (ICR) <£50M | "<50M must be provided by the contractor within 2 months after each reporting date.You can agree with your contractor a date for an ICR no more than three years5 from the time of contract placement, with subsequent reports before the expected contract completion date but no more than at the end of each three year period following the date of the first report.If you don’t agree a date your contractor must provide an ICR on the date three years after the last day of the calendar quarter during which the initial reporting date fell, with subsequent reports on the date at the end of each three year period following the date of the first report." | Repeats every 36 months on the First Day of the Month starting 36 months after Contract Agreement Start Date until 0 day after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Interim Contract Report (ICR) >&pound;50M | ">£50M if pre-agreed an initial report must be provided by the contractor on a date no more than 3 years from entering into a QDC, and at no more than 3 year intervals after that.If no date agreed the date will be 12 months after the last day of the calendar quarter during which the initial reporting date fell, and at 12 month intervals." | Repeats every 12 months on the First Day of the Month starting 12 months before Contract Agreement Start Date until 0 day after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Contract Pricing Statement (CPS) | it is MOD policy to agree a CPS before agreeing a contract price. Only in exceptional circumstances should you allow your contractor to provide a CPS within a month of the initial reporting date | Due 0 day after Contract Agreement Start Date | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Contract Completion Report (CCR) | The contractor must complete a CCR within six months of the contract completion date1. It provides a post contract view of the baseline information provided at the start of the contract in the Contract Notification Report (CNR) | Due 6 months after Contract Agreement Closed | Supplier Organization |
| Obligation SSCR Reporting to SSRO - - Contract Costs Statement (CCS) | The contractor must submit a CCS within 12 months of the contract completion date. The CCS contains a detailed analysis of delivering the QDC and is required in slower time than the CCR. | Due 12 months after Contract Agreement Closed | Supplier Organization |
| Mandatory Standstill Period Ending | The 10 day mandatory Standstill Period is closing |  | Supplier Organization |
| Commercial Exploitation Levy - Reminder that Statements of Sales and Auditor Certificate are required annually | Applicable to contracts with Commercial Exploitation Agreements. A reminder to Suppliers that Statements of Sales along with Auditor Certificate are required annually. | Repeats every 12 months on the First Day of the Month starting on 01-JAN-2020 until 12 months after Contract Agreement End Date | Supplier Organization |

**Buyer Contractual Deliverables**

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| Name | Description | Due | Responsible Party |
| Obligation DEFCON 697 ( Edn 11/22) Clause - 17 - Provision of operational specific medical warning notices. | Provision of operational specific medical warning notices. | Due 1 month before Contract Agreement Start Date | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 5.b - Notice of inconsistancy between contract documents | If either Party becomes aware of any inconsistency within or between Contractual documents they shall notify the other Party forthwith |  | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 8.c - Change in Authority Representatives | Written confirmation of any change to the Authorities Representatives |  | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 14.f.(6) - Use of confidentiality agreement | Disclosure of Information on a confidential basis shall be subject to a confidentiality agreement containing terms no less stringent than those placed on the Authority |  | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 33.l - Notification of restrictions in use due to non-UK licence  | If all or any part of the Contractor Deliverables are subject to Clause 33.k(1) or 33.k(2), it shall notify the Authority of this as soon as reasonably practicable | Due 1 week after Contract Agreement Start Date | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 36.c - Payment | Payment of sums due |  | Buyer Organization |
| Obligation Condition 42.a - Termination | Written notice of Termination of part or whole of contract |  | Buyer Organization |

**Quality Assurance Conditions**

NATO Requirements for Deliverable Quality Plans Edition 2

NATO Quality Assurance Requirements for Design, Development and Production. Edition D Version 1

NATO Supplementary Software Quality Assurance Requirements to AQAP 2110 and AQAP 2310 Edition A Version 2