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Section I: Contracting Authority

I.1) Name, Addresses and Contact Point(s):

Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Dismounted Close Combat (DCC)
Elm 3c, NH4 #4325, MOD Abbey Wood, Bristol, BS34 8JH, United Kingdom
Tel. +443 67986558, Email: Lisa.Sinfield100@mod.gov.uk
Contact: Lisa Sinfield
Main Address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>
NUTS Code: UKK11

I.2) Joint procurement:

The contract involves joint procurement: No

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law: Not Provided

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body: No

I.4) Type of the contracting authority:

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.5) Main activity:

Defence

Section II: Object Of The Contract

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title: Combined Support Services

Reference number: SSP/00166

II.1.2) Main CPV code:

35300000 - Weapons, ammunition and associated parts.

II.1.3) Type of contract: SERVICES

II.1.4) Short description: A contract is required for the combined supply, repair and support services for the L111A1 Heavy Machine Gun, the L110A3 Light Machine Gun, the L130A1 7.62mm Light Machine Gun, the L10A2 General Purpose Machine Gun mount, the PAC24 General Purpose Machine Gun mounts, the 81mm mortar ancillaries, and all associated spares and special tools and test equipment for an initial term of 3-years, with an option to extend for a further 1-year.

This includes a requirement to act as a Design Authority and provide Post Design Services to underwrite that any changes or modifications do not compromise the operational performance of the weapon, or invalidate the Safety Case for the weapon systems.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value: 400,000

Currency: GBP

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s):
Not Provided

II.2.3) Place of performance
Nuts code:
UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Main site or place of performance:
Bristol, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement: Procurement of Supply, Repair and Support Services.

II.2.5) Award criteria:
Quality criterion - Name: Technical Knowledge / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options
Options: Yes

Description of these options: Option to provide an additional 1-year, covering the supply of items required in the contract.

II.2.13) Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information: Not Provided

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure: Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below (please complete Annex D1)

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system
The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement: No

IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction
An electronic auction has been used: No

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure
Notice number in the OJEU: 2017/S 96-190600

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice: No

Section V: Award of contract

Award Of Contract (No.1)

Contract No: SSP/00166
Lot Number: Not Provided
Title: Combined Support Services Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract: 23/05/2018

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: Not Provided

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: Not Provided

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: Not Provided

Number of tenders received by electronic means: Not Provided

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

Contractor (No.1)

FNH UK Limited

Phoenix House, Slade Green Road, Erith, Kent, DA8 2HU, United Kingdom

Tel. +44 1322338052, Fax. +44 1322334360, Email: Ashley.Franks@fnhuk.com

Internet address: www.fnhuk.com

NUTS Code: UKJ4

The contractor is an SME: No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 240,000

Total value of the contract/lot: 400,000

Currency: GBP

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: No

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information: The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the Gov.uk website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

Advertising Regime OJEU:- This contract opportunity is published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU), the MoD Defence Contracts Bulletin and www.contracts.mod.uk

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Not Provided

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: 24/05/2018

ANNEX D

1. Justification for the choice of the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a call for competition in accordance with Article 32 of Directive 2014/24/EU

No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to: Not Provided

The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason: absence of competition for technical reasons

Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority and in accordance with the strict conditions stated in the directive: No

Additional deliveries by the original supplier ordered under the strict conditions stated in the directive: No

New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services and ordered in accordance with the strict conditions stated in the directive: No

Service contract to be awarded to the winner or one of winners under the rules of a design contest: No

Purchase of supplies or services on particularly advantageous terms: No

3. Explanation

The Authority intends to place a 3-year contract (with the option to extend for a further 1-year) with FNH UK Ltd for the provision of combined support and supply services for the in-service fleet of machine guns.

It is considered that this Contract can be placed directly with FNH UK Ltd using the Negotiated Procedure with Prior Publication pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC (Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011) for technical and safety reasons. FNH UK Ltd (previously Manroy Engineering Ltd) are the Design Authority and current supplier of these weapon systems. No other supplier has access to the technical data, proprietary information, knowledge and experience, required to provide the support required as Design Authority, and underwrite the integrity of any modifications or changes to the weapon systems.

It would take another economic operator a disproportionate amount of time to become sufficiently qualified to undertake the requirement and to be able to provide the requisite assurances that alternatively produced weapon systems could be safely and reliably used with the existing systems and ancillaries. The qualification programme required to provide such assurances is a lengthy and complicated process and would mean that identifying another economic operator would invite substantial risks to the safe functioning of the Armed Forces and the interoperability of parts within the weapon systems.

It is considered that this Contract can be placed using the Negotiated Procedure without Prior Publication pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical and safety reasons.

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