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705107451

FAO: Mark Edwin

Date: 11 Jan 23

Dear Mark,

Offer Of Contract <u>705107451 ISO 9001:2015 Accredited Certification Body Contract for Cost Assurance & Analysis Service (CAAS)</u>

- 1. As you are aware, the Authority intends to enter into the above contract with you.
- 2. Please sign and return the enclosed final version of the Contract within 10 working days of the date of this letter to acknowledge your acceptance of the Terms and Conditions.
- 3. Please note that no Contract will come into force until both parties have signed it. The Authority will countersign the Contract and return a copy of the same to you.

- 4. Payment will be made in accordance with the attached Terms and Conditions. If your company has not already provided its banking details to the Defence Business Services (DBS) Finance Branch, please complete the Form CX723, which is available from the Gov.uk (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-finance-payments-nominate-a-bank-form) and forward to DBS Finance, Walker House, Exchange Flags, Liverpool, L2 3YL.
- 5. The Authority may 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.
- 6. If you wish to make a similar announcement you must seek approval from the named Commercial Officer.
- 7. Under no circumstances should you confirm to any third party that you are entering into a legally binding contract for ISO9001:2015 Accredited Certification Body Contract for Cost Assurance & Analysis Service (CAAS) prior to both parties signing the Terms and Conditions, or ahead of the Authority's announcement of the Contract award.

Yours sincerely,

James Smith

James Smith (signed electronically 11 Jan 23)

Senior Commercial Officer

Head Office Commercial

Standardised Contracting Terms

SC1A

(Edn 09/22)

1 Definitions - In the Contract:

Article means, in relation to Clause 9 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;

The Authority means the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, (referred to in this document as "the Authority"), acting as part of the Crown:

Business Day means 09:00 to 17:00 Monday to Friday, excluding public and statutory holidays;

Contract means the agreement concluded between the Authority and the Contractor, including all terms and conditions, associated purchase order, specifications, plans, drawings, schedules and other documentation, expressly made part of the agreement in accordance with Clause 2.c;

Contractor means the person, firm or company specified as such in the purchase order. 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;

Contractor Deliverables means the goods and / or services including packaging (and supplied in accordance with any QA requirements if specified) which the Contractor is required to provide under the Contract in accordance with the schedule to the purchase order:

Effective Date of Contract means the date stated on the purchase order or, if there is no such date stated, the date upon which both Parties have signed the purchase order;

Firm Price means a price excluding Value Added Tax (VAT) which is not subject to variation;

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:

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;

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, any exercise of Royal Prerogative or any enforceable community right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972.

Mixture means a mixture or solution composed of two or more substances;

Notices means all notices, orders, or other forms of communication required to be given in writing under or in connection with the Contract;

Parties means the Contractor and the Authority, and Party shall be construed accordingly; **Sensitive Information** means the information listed as such in the purchase order, being 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;

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;

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 Act 2004 (EIR), which shall be determined by the Authority, and (ii) any Sensitive Information.

2 General

- a. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Legislation, whether specifically referenced in this Contract or not.
- b. Any variation to the Contract shall have no effect unless expressly agreed in writing and signed by both Parties.
- c. If there is any inconsistency between these terms and conditions and the purchase order or the documents expressly referred to therein, the conflict shall be resolved according to the following descending order of priority:
 - (1) the terms and conditions;
 - (2) the purchase order; and
 - (3) the documents expressly referred to in the purchase order.
- d. Neither Party shall be entitled to assign the Contract (or any part thereof) without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- e. Failure or delay by either Party in enforcing or partially enforcing any provision of the Contract shall not be construed as a waiver of its rights or remedies. No waiver in respect of any right or remedy shall operate as a waiver in respect of any other right or remedy.
- f. The Parties to the Contract do not intend that any term of the Contract shall be enforceable by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 by any person that is not a Party to it.
- g. The Contract and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English Law, and subject to Clause 15 and without prejudice to the dispute resolution procedure set out therein, the Parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts. Other jurisdictions may apply solely for the purpose of giving effect to this Clause 2.g and for enforcement of any judgement, order or award given under English jurisdiction.

3 Application of Conditions

- a. The purchase order, these terms and conditions and the specification govern the Contract to the entire exclusion of all other terms and conditions. No other terms or conditions are implied.
- b. The Contract constitutes the entire agreement and understanding and supersedes any previous agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter of the Contract.

4 Disclosure of Information

Disclosure of information under the Contract shall be managed in accordance with DEFCON 531 (SC1).

5 Transparency

- a. Notwithstanding any other condition of this Contract, and in particular Clause 4, the Contractor understands that the Authority may publish the Transparency Information to the general public.
- b. Subject to clause 5.c, the Authority shall publish and maintain an up-to-date version of the Transparency 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 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 in its entirety. Accordingly, the Authority acknowledges that it shall only exclude Transparency 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, in accordance with the principles set out above. 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 FOIA and/or the EIR, for the avoidance of doubt, including Sensitive Information;
 - (2) considering the Sensitive Information set out in the purchase order, 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 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.

6 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 the purchase order;
 - (4) marked with the number of the Contract; and
 - (5) delivered by hand, prepaid post (or airmail), facsimile transmission or, if agreed in the purchase order, 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.

7 Intellectual Property

- a. The Contractor shall as its sole liability keep the Authority fully indemnified against an infringement or alleged infringement of any intellectual property rights or a claim for Crown use of a UK patent or registered design caused by the use, manufacture or supply of the Contractor Deliverables.
- b. The Authority shall promptly notify the Contractor of any infringement claim made against it relating to any Contractor Deliverable and, subject to any statutory obligation requiring the Authority to respond, shall permit the Contractor to have the right, at its sole discretion to assume, defend, settle or otherwise dispose of such claim. The Authority shall give the Contractor such assistance as it may reasonably require to dispose of the claim and will not make any statement which might be prejudicial to the settlement or defence of the claim
- c. 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

- d. Where any of the Conditions listed below (1 to 3) have been added to these Conditions of the Contract as Project Specific DEFCONs at Clause 20, 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 5 (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;
- e. 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 5.

Any amendment to Schedule 5 shall be made in accordance with DEFCON 503 (SC1).

8 Supply of Contractor Deliverables and Quality Assurance

- a. This Contract comes into effect on the Effective Date of Contract.
- b. The Contractor shall supply the Contractor Deliverables to the Authority at the Firm Price stated in the Schedule to the purchase order.
- c. The Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor Deliverables:
 - (1) correspond with the specification;

- (2) are of satisfactory quality (within the meaning of the Sale of Goods Act 1979, as amended) except that fitness for purpose shall be limited to the goods being fit for the particular purpose held out expressly by or made known expressly to the Contractor and in this respect the Authority relies on the Contractor's skill and judgement; and
- (3) comply with any applicable Quality Assurance Requirements specified in the purchase order.
- d. The Contractor shall apply for and obtain any licences required to import any material required for the performance of the Contract in the UK. The Authority shall provide to the Contractor reasonable assistance with regard to any relevant defence or security matter arising in the application for any such licence.

9 Supply of Data for Hazardous Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables

- a. Nothing in this Clause 9 shall reduce or limit any statutory duty or legal obligation of the Authority or the Contractor.
- b. As soon as possible and in any event within the period specified in the purchase order (or if no such period is specified no later than one month prior to the delivery date), the Contractor shall provide to the Authority's representatives in the manner and format prescribed in the purchase order:
 - (1) confirmation as to whether or not to the best of its knowledge any of the Contractor Deliverables contain Hazardous Substances, Mixtures or Articles; and
 - (2) 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 Article 31 compliant Safety Data Sheet (SDS);
 - (3) 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 in accordance with UK REACH Article 31(3); and
 - (4) 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 supplier, to allow safe use of the Article including, as a minimum, the name of that Substance at the time of supply in accordance with UK REACH Article 33.
- c. For substances, Mixtures or Articles that meet the criteria list in clause 9.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 the purchase order; 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. 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.
- e. 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 on DEFFORM 68 of:
 - (1) activity; and
 - (2) the substance and form (including any isotope).

- f. If the Substances, Mixtures and Articles in Contractor Deliverables have magnetic properties which emit a magnetic field, the Contractor shall additionally provide details on DEFFORM 68 of the magnetic flux density at a defined distance, for the condition in which it is packed.
- g. 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 Substance, Mixtures or Articles in Contractor Deliverables shall be regarded as a material breach of Contract under Condition 17 (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 17.
- h. 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.

10 Delivery / Collection

- a. The purchase order 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. Title and risk in the Contractor Deliverables shall pass from the Contractor to the Authority on delivery or on collection in accordance with Clause 10.a.
- c. The Authority shall be deemed to have accepted the Contractor Deliverables within a reasonable time after title and risk has passed to the Authority unless it has rejected the Contractor Deliverables within the same period.

11 Marking of Contractor Deliverables

- a. Each Contractor Deliverable shall be marked in accordance with the requirements specified in the purchase order. or 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 shown in the Contract.
- 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 12 (Packaging and Labelling (excluding Contractor Deliverables containing Ammunition or Explosives)).

12 Packaging and Labelling of Contractor Deliverables (Excluding Contractor Deliverables Containing Ammunition or Explosives)

- a. The Contractor shall pack or have packed the Contractor Deliverables in accordance with any requirements specified in the purchase order and Def Stan 81-041 (Part 1 and Part 6).
- b. The Contractor shall establish if the Contractor Deliverables are, or contain, Dangerous Goods as defined in the Regulations set out in this Clause 12. Any that do shall be packaged for UK or worldwide shipment by all modes of transport in accordance with the

following unless otherwise specified in the Schedule to the purchase order:

- (1) the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (ICAO), IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations;
- (2) the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code;
- (3) the Regulations Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID); and
- (4) the European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR).
- c. Certification markings, incorporating the UN logo, the package code and other prescribed information indicating that the package corresponds to the successfully designed type shall be marked on the packaging in accordance with the relevant regulation.

13 Progress Monitoring, Meetings and Reports

The Contractor shall attend progress meetings and deliver reports at the frequency or times (if any) specified in the purchase order and shall ensure that its Contractor's representatives are suitably qualified to attend such meetings. Any additional meetings reasonably required shall be at no cost to the Authority.

14 Payment

- a. Payment for Contractor Deliverables will be made by electronic transfer and prior to submitting any claims for payment under clause 14b 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 14a, 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 14b 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 14c 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 this 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.

15 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 15.a the dispute shall be referred to arbitration and 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 it is agreed between the Parties that the arbitration process and anything said, done or produced in or in relation to the arbitration process (including any awards) shall be confidential as between the Parties, except as may be lawfully

required in judicial proceedings relating to the arbitration or otherwise. No report relating to anything said, done or produced in or in relation to the arbitration process may be made beyond the tribunal, the Parties, their legal representatives and any person necessary to the conduct of the proceedings, without the concurrence of all the Parties to the arbitration.

16 Termination for Corrupt Gifts

The Authority may terminate the Contract with immediate effect, without compensation, by giving written notice to the Contractor at any time after any of the following events:

- a. where the Authority becomes aware that the Contractor, its employees, agents or any sub-contractor (or anyone acting on its behalf or any of its or their employees):
 - (1) has offered, promised or given to any Crown servant any gift or financial or other advantage of any kind as an inducement or reward;
 - (2) commits or has committed any prohibited act or 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:
 - (3) has entered 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 it or on its behalf, or to its 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.
- b. In exercising its rights or remedies to terminate the Contract under Clause 16.a. 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 committing the prohibited act;
 - (2) give 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 its or their behalf:
 - (b) requiring the Contractor to procure the dismissal of an employee (whether its own or that of a Subcontractor or anyone acting on its behalf) where the prohibited act is that of such employee.
- c. Where the Contract has been terminated under Clause 16.a.the Authority shall be entitled to purchase substitute Contractor Deliverables from elsewhere and recover from the Contractor any costs and expenses incurred by the Authority in obtaining the Contractor Deliverables in substitution from another supplier.

17 Material Breach

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 its obligations under the Contract. Where the Authority has terminated the Contract under Clause 17 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.

18 Insolvency

The Authority shall have the right to terminate the contract if the Contractor is declared bankrupt or goes into liquidation or administration. This is without prejudice to any other rights or remedies under this Contract.

19 Limitation of Contractor's Liability

- a. Subject to Clause 19.b the Contractor's liability to the Authority in connection with this Contract shall be limited to £5m (five million pounds).
- b. Nothing in this Contract shall operate to limit or exclude the Contractor's liability:
 - (1) for:

Offer and Assentance

- a. any liquidated damages (to the extent expressly provided for under this Contract);
- b. any amount(s) which the Authority is entitled to claim, retain or withhold in relation to the Contractor's failure to perform or under-perform its obligations under this Contract, including service credits or other deductions (to the extent expressly provided for under this Contract):
- c. any interest payable in relation to the late payment of any sum due and payable by the Contractor to the Authority under this Contract;
- d. any amount payable by the Contractor to the Authority in relation to TUPE or pensions to the extent expressly provided for under this Contract;
- (2) under Condition 7 of the Contract (Intellectual Property), and DEFCONs 91 or 638 (SC1) where specified in the contract;
- (3) for death or personal injury caused by the Contractor's negligence or the negligence of any of its personnel, agents, consultants or sub-contractors;
- (4) for fraud, fraudulent misrepresentation, wilful misconduct or negligence;
- (5) in relation to the termination of this Contract on the basis of abandonment by the Contractor;
- (6) for breach of the terms implied by Section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982; or
- (7) for any other liability which cannot be limited or excluded under general (including statute and common) law.
- c. The rights of the Authority under this Contract are in addition to, and not exclusive of, any rights or remedies provided by general (including statute and common) law.

Offer and Acceptance	
A) The Purchase Order constitutes an offer by the Contractor to supply the Deliverables. This is open for acceptance by the Authority for days from the date of signature. By signing the Purchase Order the Contractor agrees to be bound by the attached Terms and Conditions for Less Complex Requirements (Up to the applicable procurement threshold).	B) Acceptance
Name (Block Capitals): XX redacted Position: XX redacted For and on behalf of the Contractor	Name (Block Capitals): James Smith
Tot and on bonail of the Contractor	Position: Senior Commercial Officer

Authorised Signatory

XX redacted

Date: January 12 2023

For and on behalf of the Authority

Authorised Signatory

James Smith (Signed Electronically)

Date:11 Jan 23

C) Effective Date of Contract: January 12 2023

20 Project specific DEFCONs and DEFCON SC variants that apply to this Contract:

DEFCON 503 (SC1)

DEFCON 503 (SC1) (Edn. 07/21) - Formal Amendments To Contract

DEFCON 531 (SC1)

DEFCON 531 (SC1) (Edn. 09/21) - Disclosure of Information

DEFCON 534

DEFCON 534 (Edn. 06/21) - Subcontracting and Prompt Payment

DEFCON 537

DEFCON 537 (Edn. 12/21) - Rights of Third Parties

DEFCON 538

DEFCON 538 (Edn. 06/02) - Severability

DEFCON 566

DEFCON 566 (Edn. 12/18) - Change of Control of Contractor

DEFCON 656A

DEFCON 656A (Edn.) – Termination for Convenience under £5 Million

DEFCON 658

DEFCON 658 (Edn. 09/21) – Cyber – Please note that the requirement has been assessed as Low The Risk Assessment Reference is **RAR-500644833**

General Conditions

Third Party IPR Authorisation

AUTHORISATIONBY THE CROWN FOR USE OF THIRD-PARTY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

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.

Payment Terms

Payment will be enabled through CP&F

21 The special conditions that apply to this Contract are:

22 The processes that apply to this Contract are:

NA

Schedule 1 - Additional Definitions of Contract

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ANNEX C to DEFFROM 47

Statement of Requirement: ISO 9001:2015 Accredited Certification Body Contract for Cost Assurance & Analysis Service (CAAS)

Background

- 1. CAAS are required to maintain ISO 9001:2015 certification, providing independent confirmation that CAAS delivers to standards applied across governments and industry. This ability to show CAAS has a credible and robust Quality Management System (QMS) underpins UK capability to do Defence work with, and on behalf of, Allied Nations in major joint equipment and support programmes.
- 2. CAAS contracted with UKAS-Accredited Certification Body (ACB) Alcumus to provide ISO 9001:2015 certification after joining the Defence Munitions competition in 2018. A four-year contract was in place, with year one called-off and completed to cover FY 18/19 and a further three extension years available to cover 19/20, 20/21 and 21/22. This was at an annual cost of £7,000, based on 7 day's auditing costing £1,000 a day. Since Alcumus opted to withdraw from the final year on contract, and without an internal Commercial Team, CAAS have engaged with Head Office (HO) Commercial to support the requirement to identify the approach and contract with a new ISO 9001 ACB.
- 3. Without contracted support, the services of NQA were obtained through interaction with HO Commercial and direct external engagement to obtain quotation. This resulted in notable delays in securing the ACB provision, with audits taking place later than planned in May/June 2022. Using the services of NQA, CAAS have been able to secure the next requirement for audits in Dec 2022, realigning the audit timing to that expected (as explained in para 5 below). Beyond this date CAAS do not presently have the support of a contracted ACB.
- 4. This approach has not provided CAAS with an enduring long-term solution, instead reliant on individual quotation and resource consuming collaboration to secure individual audit dates. The lack of a long-term contracted ACB has led to delays in the conduct of mandated external audits, and places at risk the ability of CAAS to retain ISO 9001 certification. Securing a long-term 3 year contracted ACB to support the requirement for ISO 9001 external audits will provide stability, a more manageable interaction and improved audit coverage.

Timing

5. External audits by an ACB are conducted on a rolling 3 year cycle, beginning for an already certified organisation with a recertification audit [year one], followed by 2 successive years of surveillance audits to ensure requisite standards are being upheld [years two and three]. These are typically scheduled at 12 month intervals, with the recertification audits

timed prior to the certificate expiry month, facilitating time for corrective action against any nonconformity identified during audit. For CAAS this typically means audits take place in December each year, as our certificate expires in March.

- 6. For a multi-site organisation such as CAAS, the approach used to determine which sites are to be audited and how many days are required for individual sites is set by the ACB. As a consequence CAAS have experienced differing approaches from Alcumus and NQA, for example in the number of days required at our Abbey Wood (Head Office) site and their view on how smaller occupancy sites should be considered for auditing. This means that dependant on the ACB selected, there can be variations in approach resulting in differing numbers of sites selected, audit days and expenditure to CAAS.
- 7. The approach considered in the associated Business Case¹ uses what CAAS have experienced as a worst case scenario. Meaning that all remote sites are visited over a 3 year cycle, and the Abbey Wood office that is visited for each year of audits may be subject to either two or three days of audits (surveillance or recertification dependant).
- 8. Additional costs have been considered in relation to recertification fees and charges for the transfer between ACB should this be required.
- 9. Specifically from recent interaction with NQA, they have determined that our lower occupancy sites not holding direct correlation with a customer facing requirement (as CAAS operates a programme approach to govern CAAS wide activity across all sites) may not require a full day of audit within the 3 year cycle. Instead it has been proposed that they would adopt a ½ day every 6 years approach to reduce unnecessary auditing and/or allow more focus on programme management. At this moment it remains untested as to how this would be practically applied and whether other ACB (dependent on contract award) would agree with this approach.
- 10. To enable timely continuation of external audits it is desirable to secure a contracted ACB before the end of Nov 2022. This is expected to provide sufficient time to establish a relationship with the selected ACB, conduct transfer of certification (if required) and secure audit dates and locations aligned to the next 3 yearly requirement, starting with recertification audits in Dec 2023.
- 11. Table 1 below demonstrates the latest NQA schedule, subject to change. Outlining their present and anticipated spread of CAAS sites being audited for respective surveillance and recertification events.

	Existing NQA audit activity		Next 3 Year audit activity – ABC tbc		
Location	Visit 1 Surveillance May/Jun 2022	Visit 2 Surveillance Dec 2022	Recertification Dec 2023	Visit 1 Surveillance Dec 2024	Visit 2 Surveillance Dec 2025
Abbey Wood	✓	✓			
Aldermaston		✓			
Andover	✓			41	41
Barrow	✓			tbc	tbc
Corsham					
Devonport					

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Glasgow (tbc)			tbc	
Rosyth		√	ibc	
High	✓			
Wycombe				
Yeovil				
London				
Manchester	✓			
Portsmouth		✓		
Lichfield		√		

Table 1. Delivery of Audits

- 12. The CAAS Abbey Wood office shall be considered as the base location for audit control and coordination. The contracted ACB shall:
 - a) Provide an audit programme for the full certification cycle to clearly identify the audit activity/activities required to demonstrate CAAS's QMS fulfils the requirements for ISO9001:2015 certification.
 - b) Liaise with CAAS to book audits at a time convenient to CAAS and the ACB.
 - c) Agree and provide audit plan/s prior to each scheduled audit.
 - d) Except in emergencies, all work shall be carried out during each MOD Establishment's normal working hours Monday- Friday. A normal working day is 8 hours, but it should be noted that some locations will cease work early at 12:00 on a Friday.
 - e) Any work conducted outside of normal working hours will only be done with the approval of the CAAS Programme Lead or site representative.
 - f) Audit Reports and updated ISO Certificates shall be issued via email to the CAAS Quality Manager.

Invoicing and Payments

- 13. Provide a detailed pricing schedule, issuing separate bills for each audit.
- 14. All prices to be firm and the total price for the stated services, including all the associated costs of the contractor in connection with the contract; including T&S, where applicable. Any changes are to be agreed between CAAS and the contracted ACB.
- 15. Acceptance will be made following completion of each audit, submission of the audit report and updated ISO certificate to the Quality Manager. Payment shall only be made once the Quality Manager has provided written acceptance of the Audit Report and updated ISO Certificate.

Security

16. All Auditors will require Security Clearance (SC) in order to conduct audits at all sites due to the documents that they will be expected to review during the course of the audit. The Auditor shall liaise with the Quality Manager in the first instance to determine levels of security required for each site.

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Schedule 2 - Notification of IPR Restrictions (iaw Clause 7)

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Ministry of Defence <u>DEFFORM 711 – NOTIFICATION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR)</u> <u>RESTRICTIONS</u>

DEFFORM 711 - PART A - Notification of IPR Restrictions

1, ITT/Contract Nur	nber			
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

DEFFORM 711 - PART B - System / Product Breakdown Structure (PBS)

The Contractor should insert their PBS here. For Software, please provide a Modular Breakdown Structure.

replaceability of the Article(s) or part of it to which

Completion Notes

Part A

If any information / technical data that is deliverable or delivered under the relevant Contract conditions 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, then the Contractor must identify this restricted information / technical data in this Part A. Otherwise, the Authority shall treat such information in accordance with the same rights under the Contract it would enjoy should no restrictions exist.

For example, any of the following must be disclosed:

- a) any restriction on the provision of information / technical data 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 the Contractor, whether by claim or otherwise, of an infringement of IPR (whether a patent, registered design, unregistered design right, copyright or otherwise) or of a breach of confidence, which relates to the performance of the Contract or subsequent use by or for the Authority of any Contract deliverables;
- c) the nature of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph (b) above, including any request or obligation to make payments in respect of the IPR of any confidential information and / or:
- d) action the Contractor needs to take, or the Authority is requested to take, to deal with the consequences of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph (b) above.

Block 1	Enter the associated Invitation to Tender (ITT) or Contract number as appropriate.
Block 2	No action – This sequential numbering is to assist isolation and discussion of any line item
Block 3	Identify a unique reference number for the information / technical data (i.e. a Contractor's document or file reference number) including any dates and version numbers. Documents may onl be grouped and listed as a single entry where they relate to the same Article and where the restrictions and IPR owner are the same.
Block 4	Identify the Article(s) associated with the information / technical data by entering a unique identification number / label for the Article(s). Thi may range from platform level down to subsystem level. This is to enable the Authority to quickly identify the approximate technical boundary to any user rights limitation (e.g. The RADAR or Defensive Aid Sub-System etc). This identification shall be at the lowest level of

	the restrictions apply (i.e. if the restrictions apply to a sub-system the parent system should not be used to identify the restriction boundary). Any entry without a unique identifier shall be treated as a nil entry. NOTE: The Authority does not accept any IPR restrictions in respect of the physical Articles themselves. Block 4 is solely to provide an applied picture to any technical data stated under Block 3 as having IPR restrictions.
Block 5	This is a freeform narrative field to allow a short explanation justifying why this information / technical data has limited rights applying to it.
Block 6	Identify who is the owner of the IPR in the information / technical data (i.e. copyright, design right etc). If it is a sub-contractor or supplier, please identify this also.

Part B

If neither hardware nor software is proposed to be designed, developed or delivered as part of the Contract, Part B should be marked "NIL RETURN".

Otherwise, the Contractor must include a System / Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) in a format which is consistent with ISO 21511 and / or the configuration requirements of DEFSTAN 05-057, unless an alternative format better represents your design configuration. For software, a modular breakdown structure must be provided. For reasons of clarity, it is acceptable to provide several levels of breakdown if this assists in organising the configuration of the Articles.

Details provided under Part B shall not imply any restriction of use over the Contract Articles, nor any restriction on associated technical data to be delivered under the Contract. Any restrictions of such technical data must be identified within Part A.

Against each unique item within the PBS / module breakdown, one of the following categories shall be recorded:

- a) (PVF) Private Venture Funded where the article existed prior to the proposed Contract and its design was created through funding otherwise than from Her Majesty's Government (HMG).
- b) (PAF) Previous Authority Funded (inc. HMG Funded) where the article existed prior to the proposed Contract and its design was created through Previous Authority Funding.
- c) (CAF) Contract Authority Funded (inc. HMG Funded) where the article did not exist prior to the Contract and its design will be created through Contract Authority Funding under this Contract.
- d) (DNM) Design Not Mature where the article / design configuration is not yet fixed.

In combination with one of categories (a) to (d) above, the Contractor shall further identify where an item has, or will have, foreign export control applying to it, through use of the further following category:

e) (FEX) Foreign Export Controlled

Notes:

- 1. During the term of the Contract the Contractor may transition any items identified as category (d) above into category (b) or (c). Transitions from category (d) into category (a) may only be made with the express written agreement of the Authority's Senior Commercial Officer, and by following the amendment process set out in the Contract.
- 2. It is acceptable to specify the highest level of structure to which the category (a), (b) or (c) applies (i.e. there is no need to specify each sub-system / componentry if the entirety of the parent system was for example, Private Venture Funded). See guidance examples overleaf.
- 3. For the avoidance of doubt, where a parent system did not exist prior to the Contract yet makes use of Private Venture Funded Articles, it must be identified as (CAF). The Private Venture Funded sub-components / sub-systems can be identified as PVF.
- 4. Where items are identified as category (b), the Contractor should provide the

number(s) of the previous Contract(s) under which the design was created, and the Previous Authority Funding was applied.

Example PBS

The DEFFORM 711 on the Commercial Toolkit http://aof.uwh.diif.r.mil.uk/aofcontent/tactical/toolkit/downloads/defforms/word/711_0422.do c contains a theoretical pictorial example but it is to be noted that the configuration may equally be dealt with in a hierarchal tabularised format.

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Appendix - Addresses and Other Information

1. Commercial Officer

Name: Hannah Kingsbury

Address: Kentigern House, 65 Brown Street, Glasgow, G2 8EX

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2. Project Manager, Equipment Support Manager or PT Leader (from whom technical

information is available)

Name: Mark Edwin

Address: Army Headquarters, IDL414, Zone 6, 1st Floor, Ramillies Building 400,

Marlborough Lines, Monxton Road, Andover SP11 8HJ

Email: Mark.Edwin561@mod.gov.uk

3. Packaging Design Authority Organisation & point of contact:

NΑ

(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: N/A Branch/Name:

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(b) U.I.N.

5. Drawings/Specifications are available from NA

6. Intentionally Blank

7. Quality Assurance Representative:

Commercial staff are reminded that all Quality Assurance requirements should be listed under the General Contract Conditions.

AQAPS and **DEF STANs** are available from UK Defence Standardization, for access to the documents and details of the helpdesk visit http://dstan.gateway.isg-r.r.mil.uk/index.html [intranet] or https://www.dstan.mod.uk/ [extranet, registration needed].

8. Public Accounting Authority

1. Returns under DEFCON 694 (or SC equivalent) should be sent to DBS Finance ADMT

- Assets In Industry 1, Level 4 Piccadilly Gate, Store Street, Manchester, M1 2WD
 ★★ 44 (0) 161 233 5397
- 2. For all other enquiries contact DES Fin FA-AMET Policy, Level 4 Piccadilly Gate, Store Street, Manchester, M1 2WD

2 44 (0) 161 233 5394

9. Consignment Instructions The items are to be consigned as follows: **NA**

10. Transport. The appropriate Ministry of Defence Transport Offices are:

A. <u>DSCOM</u>, DE&S, DSCOM, MoD Abbey Wood, Cedar 3c, Mail Point 3351, BRISTOL BS34 8JH

Air Freight Centre

IMPORTS 22 030 679 81113 / 81114 Fax 0117 913 8943

EXPORTS 2 030 679 81113 / 81114 Fax 0117 913 8943

Surface Freight Centre

IMPORTS 22 030 679 81129 / 81133 / 81138 Fax 0117 913 8946

EXPORTS 22 030 679 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

Users requiring an account to use the MOD Freight Collection Service should contact UKStratCom-DefSp-RAMP@mod.gov.uk in the first instance.

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

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

* 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.