RM6290: Executive and Non-Executive Recruitment Services Order Form

This Order Form is for the provision of the Call-Off Deliverables. It is issued under the Framework Contract with the reference number RM6290 Executive and Non-Executive Recruitment Services. Signing it ensures that both parties are able to compliantly use the terms and conditions agreed from the procurement exercise.

Buyer Name/Role (i.e. CSHR- SAM or Campaign Partner)	DG Workforce Team, Senior Talent & Resourcing, Government People Group, Cabinet Office
Buyer Contact details	REDACTED
Buyer Address	3rd Floor, 1 Horse Guards Road, SW1A 2HQ
Invoice Address (if different)	N/A

Supplier Name	Russell Reynolds Associates

Supplier Contact	REDACTED
Supplier Address	Almack House 28 King Street, London SW1Y 6QW United Kingdom

Framework Ref	RM6290 – Executive and Non-Executive Recruitment Services	
Job Role details - Title and Grade	Second Permanent Secretary (SCS4), Department for Digital, Science and Innovation	
	Chief Product Officer (SCS3), Department for Digital, Science and Innovation	
	Director General for Digital Strategy and Transformation (SCS3), Department for Digital, Science and Innovation	
Framework Lot	Lot 1 - 🗆	
	Lot 2 - □x	

Direct Award authorised	Yes - □	No - □x
Call-Off (Order) Ref	PRF/01/83	

Customer Department	Cabinet Office
Order Date	9th January 2025

*Call-Off Charges (check these against Lot, Role and rate card)	The total Contract value is a fixed fee of £175,650 (ex VAT) paid at milestones.
Call-Off Start Date	10 th January 2025
Call-Off Expiry Date	9 th January 2026
GDPR Position	Independent Data Controllers
Extension Options	N/A

Payment Terms – Executive and Non-Executive Recruitment Services Framework rates are fully inclusive of expenses, and the Framework terms as follows:

- 25% Placement of advert
- 25% Shortlist signed off by Buyer (i.e. Buyer has signed off candidates for final stage of recruitment)
- 50% Appointment and acceptance of candidate

The Supplier shall note that in the event:

• that the Buyer cancels the recruitment requirement, the Buyer will be responsible for the payment of the fee up to the point in the process at which the recruitment has been cancelled

• that the Supplier cancels the recruitment at any point after the placement of advert, the Buyer will make only the first 25% payment; and

of the appointed candidate leaving the position for any reason within 6 months of the appointment contract start date, the Supplier shall refund 50% of the total fee or provide a free of charge replacement search (the latter subject to the Buyer's sole discretion).

CALL-OFF INCORPORATED TERMS

The Call-Off Contract, including the CCS Core Terms and Joint Schedules' can be viewed in the 'Documents' tab of the Executive and Non-Executive Recruitment framework page on the CCS website: https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/RM6290

No other Supplier terms are part of the Call-Off Contract. That includes any terms written on the back of, or added to, this Order Form, or presented at the time of delivery.

Annex 1. The Requirement

Annex 2. **REDACTED**

Annex 3. Pricing Proposal

Annex4. Security Management Schedule

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Annex 1 The Requirement

CALL-OFF DELIVERABLES –

The requirement

Second Permanent Secretary (SCS4)

Leading the new Digital Centre, you will be responsible for bringing together and leading digital, data and technology across HMG, with a broader role in supporting digital expertise, community and linkages right across the public sector. You will need to have an established profile with a strong track record of digital delivery and transformation in Government or the public sector. You will be responsible for shaping HMG's innovation and transformation strategies, leading the charge on digital, data and technology transformation to deliver better citizen-centric services (and ultimately outcomes) for UK citizens, improving data-driven decision-making across government, and managing technology related risks.

The post holder will be responsible for delivering the change required to maintain HMG's position as a world leader in digital government ensuring HMG can better leverage data and emerging technologies to design and deliver services that enhance the user experience and HMG's reputation domestically and globally.

The scope of this transformation includes setting up and bringing together Central Digital and Data Office, i.AI and Government Digital Service into the Digital Centre, working with departments to digitise end to end services, overhaul Government's legacy IT systems, update our approach to data and analytics and strengthening our cyber security.

The post-holder will serve as DSIT's second Permanent Secretary, working closely with and reporting to the department's Permanent Secretary Sarah Munby.

As a key member of the Department's senior leadership team, you will be expected to play an active role in the on-going corporate management and development of the organisation, including leading or sponsoring corporate change projects across the Department. You will be a member of DSIT's Executive Committee and may be asked to chair one of its subcommittees.

Chief Product Officer (SCS3)

The Chief Product Officer (CPO) will be responsible for leading and driving the operational excellence of the digital centre, ensuring the delivery of world-class digital services that transform the way our users interact with the government. The successful candidate will lead a highly skilled team of over 800 digital delivery professionals and collaborate with stakeholders across government to design, build and run central products and platforms, building on gov.uk, gov.uk pay, gov.uk forms and gov.uk notify, which are used by tens of millions of people each week. They will be responsible for not only running this critical set of live services (including those designated CNI), but for expanding it significantly, including executing current planned pilots for an integrated app and wallet.

DG for Digital Strategy and Transformation (SCS3)

The DG for Digital Strategy and Transformation is accountable for driving digital transformation across the entire civil service and public sector. This position is responsible for providing strategic leadership of the cross-government digital transformation, including creating the new Digital and AI strategy for government up to 2027 integrating Digital Centre and rest-of-public sector activities into a single strategic picture of change; designing the systems changes to people models, funding and structures across government; fostering a cross-government community of practice for the digital and data profession; and leading work to transform user journeys across the UK. The role requires a visionary leader with a broad set of digital, transformation and strategy expertise, who is able to work in a highly matrixed way across both the digital centre itself and other digital and transformation professionals in central government and the wider public sector. The role holder will need to credibly lead Director Generals who are accountable for billions of digital spend to overhaul existing programme approaches, commercial agreements and capability. The role requires a senior leader who has the gravitas required to persuade ministers and senior officials to buy into a strategy for digital transformation across the whole public sector.

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PERFORMANCE OF THE DELIVERABLES

Key Staff		
REDACTED		
Key Subcontractors		
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Annex 3 - Pricing proposal

Company Name: Russell Reynolds Associates			
	Capped Cost - Standard Rate	Capped Cost - Rate Offered for this Procurement	
The Provision of Executive Search Services		£ 175,650.00	
	REDACTED		

- The above fee is exclusive of the prevailing rate of VAT
- The above fee is inclusive of all Search, attraction and advertising costs.
- No additional services other than Executive Recruitment Services are required.

Annex 4 – Security management schedule

<u>6 - Schedule A – Security Management Schedule</u>

The schedule is provided for information purposes and will only be applicable to the successful Supplier who will be required to complete the schedule at the award stage and meet the security standards as specified within the following schedule.

A valid security certificate (Cyber Essentials Plus or ISO 27001) must be submitted by the successful supplier prior to any work commencing.

SECURITY MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE

Supplier obligations Core requirements

The Supplier must comply with the core requirements set out in Paragraphs 3 to 8.

Where the Buyer has selected an option in the table below, the Supplier must comply with the requirements relating to that option set out in the relevant Paragraph:

Security Standard	Requirement	Your Response		
Certifications (see Paragraph 3)				
The Supplier must have the following Certifications:	ISO27001	Yes		
Locations (see Paragraph 4)				

The Supplier and Subcontractors may store, access or Process Government Data in:	The United Kingdom only	No. RRA is a global firm. Data will be stored in our data centres located in Ashburn, Frankfurt and Singapore. Data storage meets the global ISO27001 security requirements and all UK processing requirements.		
Security testing (see Paragraph 9)			
The Supplier must undertake security testing and remediate any vulnerabilities, where it is technically feasible to do so:	Before Processing Government Data	Yes		
Cloud Security Principles (see Paragraph 10)				
The Supplier must assess the Supplier System against the Cloud Security Principles	 Before Processing Government Data when required by the Buyer. 	Yes		
Encryption (see Paragraph 12)				
The Supplier must encrypt Government Data while at rest or in transit	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes		

Protecting Monitoring System (see Paragraph 13)					
The Supplier must implement an effective Protective Monitoring System	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes			
Patching (see Paragraph 14)					
The Supplier must patch vulnerabilities in the Supplier System promptly	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes			
Malware protection (see Paragrap	Malware protection (see Paragraph 15)				
The Supplier must use appropriate Anti-virus Software	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes			
End-user Devices (see Paragraph 16)					
The Supplier must manage Enduser Devices appropriately	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes			
Vulnerability scanning (see Paragraph 17)					
The Supplier must scan the Supplier System monthly for unpatched vulnerabilities Throughout the term of the contract.					
Access control (see paragraph 18)					

The Supplier must implement effective access control measures for those accessing Government Data and for Privileged Users	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes		
Return and deletion of Governme	nt Data (see Paragra	oh 19)		
The Supplier must return or delete Government Data when requested by the Buyer	When required by the Buyer.	Yes		
Physical security (see Paragraph 20)				
The Supplier must store Government Data in physically secure locations	Throughout the term of the contract.	Yes		
Security breaches (see Paragraph 21)				
The Supplier must report any Breach of Security to the Buyer promptly	As soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the breach, and in any event within [24] hours.	Yes		

Definitions

"Anti-virus	means software that:	
Software"	(a)	protects the Supplier System from the possible introduction of Malicious Software;

"CREST Service Provider"	or termination of the Term; means a company with an information security accreditation of a security operations centre qualification from CREST International;		
	(c)	Effective Date; with the final Contract Year ending on the expiry	
	(b)	thereafter a period of 12 months commencing on each anniversary of the	
"Contract Year"	means: (a)	a period of 12 months commencing on the Effective Date;	
		(ii)	removes the Malicious Software from the Supplier System;
		(i)	prevents the harmful effects of the Malicious Software; and
	(c)	if Malicious Software is detected in the Supplier System, so far as possible:	
	(b)	possib	for and identifies ble Malicious are in the Supplier m;

(a) data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with a database made up of a of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible med (b) Personal Data for which the Buyer is a, or the, Example of the controller; or	
the Buyer is a, or the, D	any
(c) any meta-data relating categories of data refer to in paragraphs (a) or	erred
that is:	
(d) supplied to the Supplie or on behalf of the Buyor	-
that the Supplier (e) generates, processes, stores or transmits und this Agreement; and	
oidance of doubt includ	des the
Code and any meta-d to the (relat	data

"Certificati	means one or more of the following certifications:		
ons"	(b)	ISO/IEC 27001:2013 by a UKASapproved certification body in respect of the Supplier System, or in respect of a wider system of which the Supplier System forms part; and	
	(c)	Cyber Essentials Plus; and/or	
	(d)	Cyber Essentials;	

"Breach of means the occurrence of: Security" (a) any unauthorised access to or use of the Services, the Sites, the Supplier System and/or the Government Data; (b) the loss (physical or otherwise), corruption and/or unauthorised disclosure of any Government Data, including copies of such Government Data; and/or (c) any part of the Supplier System ceasing to be compliant with the required Certifications; (d) the installation of Malicious Software in the Supplier System: any loss of operational (e) efficiency or failure to operate to specification as the result of the installation or operation of Malicious Software in the Supplier System; and (f) includes any attempt to undertake the activities listed in sub-paragraph (a) where the Supplier has reasonable grounds to suspect that attempt:

(i)

was part of a wider effort to

information and communications

technology operated by or on behalf of

access

	Centr	al

			Government Bodies; or
		(ii)	was undertaken, or directed by, a state other than the United Kingdom;
"CHECK Scheme"	means the NCSC's scheme under which approved companies can conduct authorised penetration tests of public sector and critical national infrastructure systems and networks;		
"CHECK Service	means a company which, under the CHECK Scheme:		
Provider"	(a)	has bee NCSC;	en certified by the
	(b)	holds "(and	Green Light" status;
	(c)	the IT F services	orised to provide dealth Check is required by aph 5.2 (Security);

"Cloud Security Principles"	means the NCSC's document "Implementing the Cloud Security Principles" as updated or replaced from time to time and found at https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/cloud-security/implementing-the-cloud-security-principles.	
"Cyber Essentials "	means the Cyber Essentials certificate issued under the Cyber Essentials Scheme;	
"Cyber Essentials Plus"	means the Cyber Essentials Plus certificate issued under the Cyber Essentials Scheme;	
"Cyber Essentials Scheme"	means the Cyber Essentials scheme operated by the NCSC;	
"End-user Device"	means any personal computers, laptops, tablets, terminals, smartphones or other portable electronic devices used in the provision of the Services;	
"IT Health Check"	means testing of the Supplier Information Management System by a CHECK Service Provider;	
"Malicious Software"	means any software program or code intended to destroy, interfere with, corrupt, remove, transmit or cause undesired effects on program files, data or other information, executable code, applications, macros or configurations;	
"NCSC"	means the National Cyber Security Centre, or any successor body performing the functions of the National Cyber Security Centre;	
"NCSC Device Guidance"	means the NCSC's document "Device Security Guidance", as updated or replaced from time to time and found at https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/device-securityguidance;	

"Privileged User"	means a user with system administration access to the Supplier Information Management System, or substantially similar access privileges;	
"Process"	means any operation performed on data, whether or not by automated means, including collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, restriction, erasure or destruction of that data;	
"Prohibitio n Notice"	means the meaning given to that term by Paragraph 4.4.	
"Protective Monitoring System"	has the meaning given to that term by Paragraph 13.1;	
"Relevant Conviction "	means any previous or pending prosecution, conviction or caution (excluding any spent conviction under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974) relating to offences involving dishonesty, terrorism, immigration, firearms, fraud, forgery, tax evasion, offences against people (including sexual offences) or any other offences relevant to Services as the Buyer may specify;	
"Sites"	the Supplier's premises or tises (including the Buyer's premises):	
	(a)	
	from, to or at which:	
	(i) the Services are (or are to be) provided; or	

		(ii)	the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Services; or
	(b)	where:	
		(i)	any part of the Supplier System is situated; or
		(ii)	any physical interface with the Authority System takes place;
"Standard Contractua I Clauses"	means, for the purpose <i>Management</i>):	es of this Sch	nedule [A] (Security
	(a)	the standard data protection paragraphs specified in Article 46 of the UK GDPR setting out the appropriate safeguards for the transmission of personal data outside the	
		United I	ed territories of the Kingdom and the an Economic Area;
	(b)	equally Data as	ified to apply to the Government if the Government ere Personal Data;

"Subcontr	means:				
actor Personnel"		(a)	any individual engaged, directly or indirectly, or employed, by any Subcontractor; and		
		(b)	engag engag	ed in or likely to be ed in:	
			(i)	the performance or management of the Services; or	
			(ii)	the provision of facilities or services that are necessary for the provision of the Services;	

"Supplier System"	means					
			(a)		any:	
				(i)		information assets,
				(ii)		IT systems,
				(iii)		IT services; or
				(iv)		Sites,
	that the Supplier or any Subcontractor will use to Process, or support the Processing of, Government Data and provide, or support the provision of, the Services; and					
		(b)	the associated information management system, including all relevant:			
				(i)		organisational structure diagrams;
				(ii)		controls;
				(iii)		policies;
				(iv)		practices;
				(v)		procedures;
				(vi)		processes; and
				(vii)		resources;
"Thirdparty Tool"	during which	ch the Go	vernm	ent D	ata is	han by the Supplier s accessed, analysed or s performed on it;

Part One: Core Requirements

3. Certification Requirements

3.1 Where the Buyer has not specified Certifications under Paragraph 1, the Supplier must ensure that it and any Subcontractors that Process Government Data are certified as compliant with Cyber Essentials.

- 3.2 Where the Buyer has specified Certifications under Paragraph 1, the Supplier must ensure that both:
 - (a) it; and
 - (b) any Subcontractor that Processes Government Data,

are certified as compliant with the Certifications specified by the Buyer in Paragraph 1:

- 3.3 The Supplier must ensure that the specified Certifications are in place for it and any relevant Subcontractor:
 - (a) before the Supplier or any Subcontractor Processes Government Data; and (b) throughout the Term.
- 4. Location
- 4.1 Where the Buyer has not specified any locations or territories in Paragraph 1, the Supplier must not, and ensure that Subcontractors do not store, access or Process Government Data outside the United Kingdom.
- 4.2 Where the Buyer has specified locations or territories in Paragraph 1, the Supplier must, and ensure that its Subcontractors, at all times store, access or process Government Data only in or from the geographic areas specified by the Buyer.
- 4.3 Where the Buyer has permitted the Supplier and its Subcontractors to store, access or process Government Data outside the United Kingdom or European Economic Area, the Supplier must, and must ensure that its Subcontractors store, access or process Government Data in a facility operated by an entity where:
 - (a) the entity has entered into a binding agreement with the Supplier or Subcontractor (as applicable);
 - (b) that binding agreement includes obligations on the entity in relation to security management at least an onerous as those relating to Sub-contractors in this Schedule 5 (Security Management);
 - (c) the Supplier or Subcontractor has taken reasonable steps to assure itself that:
 - (i) the entity complies with the binding agreement; and
 - (ii) the Subcontractor's system has in place appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure that the Sub-contractor will store, access, manage and/or Process the Government Data as required by this Schedule [A] (Security Management);
 - (d) the Buyer has not given the Supplier a Prohibition Notice under Paragraph 4.4.
- 4.4 The Buyer may by notice in writing at any time give notice to the Supplier that it and its Subcontractors must not undertake or permit to be undertaken the storage, accessing or

Processing of Government Data in one or more countries or territories (a "Prohibition Notice").

- 4.5 Where the Supplier must and must ensure Subcontractors comply with the requirements of a Prohibition Notice within 40 Working Days of the date of the notice.
- 5. Staff vetting
- 5.1 The Supplier must not allow Supplier Personnel, and must ensure that Subcontractors do not allow Subcontractor Personnel, to access or Process Government Data, if that person:
 - (a) has not completed the Staff Vetting Procedure; or
 - (b) where no Staff Vetting Procedure is specified in the Order Form:
 - (i) has not undergone the checks required for the HMG Baseline Personnel Security Standard (BPSS) to verify:
 - (A) the individual's identity;
 - (B) where that individual will work in the United Kingdom, the individual's nationality and immigration status so as to demonstrate that they have a right to work in the United Kingdom; and
 - (C) the individual's previous employment history; and
 - (D) that the individual has no Relevant Convictions; and
 - (ii) has not undergone national security vetting clearance to the level specified by the Authority for such individuals or such roles as the Authority may specify
- 6. Supplier assurance letter NOT APPLICABLE
- 6.1 The Supplier must, no later than the last day of each Contract Year, provide to the Buyer a letter from its [chief technology officer] (or equivalent officer) confirming that, having made due and careful enquiry:
 - (a) the Supplier has in the previous year carried out all tests and has in place all procedures required in relation to security matters required by this Agreement;
 - (b) it has fully complied with all requirements of this Schedule [A] (Security Management); and
 - (c) all Subcontractors have complied with the requirements of this Schedule [A] (Security Management) with which the Supplier is required to ensure they comply;
 - (d) the Supplier considers that its security and risk mitigation procedures remain effective.
- 7. Assurance

- 7.1 The Supplier must provide such information and documents as the Buyer may request in order to demonstrate the Supplier's and any Subcontractors' compliance with this Schedule [A] (Security Management).
- 7.2 The Supplier must provide that information and those documents:
 - (a) within 10 Working Days of a request by the Buyer;
 - (b) except in the case of original document, in the format and with the content and information required by the Buyer; and
 - (c) in the case of the original document, as a full, unedited and unredacted copy.
- 8. Use of Subcontractors and third parties NOT APPLICABLE
- 8.1 The Supplier must ensure that Subcontractors and any other third parties that store, have access to or Process Government Data comply with the requirements of this Schedule [A] (Security Management).

Part Two: Additional Requirements

- 9. Security testing
- 9.1 The Supplier must:
 - (a) before Processing Government Data;
 - (b) at least once during each Contract Year; and NOT APPLICABLE

undertake the following activities:

- (c) conduct security testing of the Supplier System (an "IT Health Check") in accordance with Paragraph 9.2; and
- (d) implement any findings, and remedy any vulnerabilities identified by the IT Health Check in accordance with Paragraph 9.3.
- 9.2 In arranging an IT Health Check, the Supplier must:
 - (a) use only a CHECK Service Provider or CREST Service Provider to perform the IT Health Check;
 - (b) design and plan for the IT Health Check so as to minimise the impact of the IT Health Check on the Supplier System and the delivery of the Services;
 - (c) ensure that the scope of the IT Health Check encompasses the components of the Supplier System used to access, store, Process or manage Government Data; and
 - (d) ensure that the IT Health Check provides for effective penetration testing of the Supplier System.
- 9.3 The Supplier treat any vulnerabilities as follows:

- (a) the Supplier must remedy any vulnerabilities classified as critical in the IT Health Check report:
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to remedy the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 9.3(a)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification;
- (b) the Supplier must remedy any vulnerabilities classified as high in the IT Health Check report:
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 1 month of becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to remedy the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 9.3(b)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification;
- (c) the Supplier must remedy any vulnerabilities classified as medium in the IT Health Check report:
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 3 months of becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to remedy the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 9.3(c)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the vulnerability and its classification;
- (d) where it is not technically feasible to remedy the vulnerability, the Supplier must implement appropriate technical and organisational measures to mitigate the risk posed by the vulnerability.
- 10. Cloud Security Principles
- 10.1 The Supplier must ensure that the Supplier Solution complies with the Cloud Security Principles.
- 10.2 The Supplier must assess the Supplier Solution against the Cloud Security Principles to assure itself that it complies with Paragraph 10.1:
 - (a) before Processing Government Data;
 - (b) at least once each Contract Year; and NOT APPLICABLE
 - (c) when required by the Buyer.
- 10.3 The Supplier must:
 - (a) keep records of any assessment that it makes under Paragraph 10.2; and

- (b) provide copies of those records to the Buyer within 10 Working Days of any request by the Buyer.
- 11. Information about Subcontractors, Sites, Third Party Tools and third parties NOT APPLICABLE
- 11.1 The Supplier must keep the following records:
 - (a) for Subcontractors or third parties that store, have access to or Process Government Data:
 - (i) the Subcontractor or third party's name:
 - (A) legal name;
 - (B) trading name (if any); and
 - (C) registration details (where the Subcontractor is not an individual), including:
 - (1) country of registration;
 - (2) registration number (if applicable); and
 - (3) registered address;
 - (ii) the Relevant Certifications held by the Subcontractor or third party;
 - (iii) the Sites used by the Subcontractor or third party;
 - (iv) the Services provided or activities undertaken by the Subcontractor or third party;
 - (v) the access the Subcontractor or third party has to the Supplier System;
 - (vi) the Government Data Processed by the Subcontractor or third party; and
 - (vii) the measures the Subcontractor or third party has in place to comply with the requirements of this Schedule [A] (Security Management);
 - (b) for Sites from or at which Government Data is accessed or Processed:
 - (i) the location of the Site;
 - (ii) the operator of the Site, including the operator's:
 - (A) legal name;
 - (B) trading name (if any); and
 - (C) registration details (where the Subcontractor is not an individual);
 - (iii) the Relevant Certifications that apply to the Site;
 - (iv) the Government Data stored at, or Processed from, the site; and

- (c) for Third Party Tools:
 - (i) the name of the Third Party Tool;
 - (ii) the nature of the activity or operation performed by the Third-Party Tool on the Government Data; and
 - (iii) in respect of the entity providing the Third-Party Tool, its:
 - (A) full legal name;
 - (B) trading name (if any)
 - (C) country of registration;
 - (D) registration number (if applicable); and
 - (E) registered address.
- 11.2 The Supplier must update the records it keeps in accordance with Paragraph 11.1:
 - (a) at least four times each Contract Year;
 - (b) whenever a Subcontractor, third party that accesses or Processes Government Data, Third Party Tool or Site changes; or
 - (c) whenever required to go so by the Buyer.
- 11.3 The Supplier must provide copies of the records it keeps in accordance with Paragraph 11.1 to the Buyer within 10 Working Days of any request by the Buyer.
- 12. Encryption
- 12.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that all Subcontractors, encrypt Government Data:
 - (a) when stored at any time when no operation is being performed on it, including when stored on any portable storage media; and
 - (b) when transmitted.
- 13. Protective monitoring system
- 13.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that Subcontractors, implement an effective system of monitoring and reports, analysing access to and use of the Supplier System and the Government Data to:
 - (a) identify and prevent any potential Breach of Security;
 - (b) respond effectively and in a timely manner to any Breach of Security that does;
 - (c) identify and implement changes to the Supplier System to prevent future any Breach of Security; and

(d) help detect and prevent any potential criminal offence relating to fraud, bribery or corruption using the Supplier System,

(the "Protective Monitoring System").

- 13.2 The Protective Monitoring System must provide for:
 - (a) event logs and audit records of access to the Supplier System; and
 - (b) regular reports and alerts to identify:
 - (i) changing access trends;
 - (ii) unusual usage patterns; or
 - (iii) the access of greater than usual volumes of Government Data; and
 - (c) the detection and prevention of any attack on the Supplier System using common cyber-attack techniques.
- 14. Patching
- 14.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that Subcontractors, treat any public releases of patches for vulnerabilities as follows:
 - (a) the Supplier must patch any vulnerabilities classified as "critical":
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 5 Working Days of the public release; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to patch the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 14.1(a)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after the public release;
 - (b) the Supplier must patch any vulnerabilities classified as "important":
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 1 month of the public release; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to patch the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 14.1(b)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after the public release;
 - (c) the Supplier must remedy any vulnerabilities classified as "other" in the public release:
 - (i) if it is technically feasible to do so, within 2 months of the public release; or
 - (ii) if it is technically feasible to remedy the vulnerability but not technically feasible to do so as required by Paragraph 14.1(c)(i), then as soon as reasonably practicable after the public release;
 - (d) where it is not technically feasible to patch the vulnerability, the Supplier must implement appropriate technical and organisational measures to mitigate the risk posed by the vulnerability.

- 15. Malware protection
- 15.1 The Supplier shall install and maintain Anti-virus Software or procure that Anti-virus Software is installed and maintained on the Supplier System.
- 15.2 The Supplier must ensure that such Anti-virus Software:
 - (a) prevents the installation of the most common forms of Malicious Software in the Supplier System;
 - (b) performs regular scans of the Supplier System to check for Malicious Software; and
 - (c) where Malicious Software has been introduced into the Supplier System, so far as practicable
 - (i) prevents the harmful effects from the Malicious Software; and (ii) removes the Malicious Software from the Supplier System.
- 16. End-user Devices
- 16.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that all Subcontractors, manage all End-user Devices on which Government Data is stored or processed in accordance with the following requirements:
 - (a) the operating system and any applications that store, process or have access to Government Data must be in current support by the vendor, or the relevant community in the case of open source operating systems or applications;
 - (b) users must authenticate before gaining access;
 - (c) all Government Data must be encrypted using a suitable encryption tool;
 - (d) the End-under Device must lock and require any user to re-authenticate after a period of time that is proportionate to the risk environment, during which the End-user Device is inactive;
 - (e) the End-User Device must be managed in a way that allows for the application of technical policies and controls over applications that have access to Government Data to ensure the security of that Government Data;
 - (f) the Supplier or Subcontractor, as applicable, can, without physical access to the Enduser Device, remove or make inaccessible all Government Data stored on the device and prevent any user or group of users from accessing the device;
 - (g) all End-user Devices are within the scope of any required Certification.
- 16.2 The Supplier must comply, and ensure that all Subcontractors comply, with the recommendations in NCSC Device Guidance as if those recommendations were incorporated as specific obligations under this Agreement.

- 17. Vulnerability scanning
- 17.1 The Supplier must:
 - (a) scan the Supplier System at least once every month to identify any unpatched vulnerabilities; and
 - (b) if the scan identifies any unpatched vulnerabilities, ensure they are patched in accordance with Paragraph 14.
- 18. Access control
- 18.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that all Subcontractors:
 - (a) identify and authenticate all persons who access the Supplier System before they do so;
 - (b) require multi-factor authentication for all user accounts that have access to Government Data or that are Privileged Users;
 - (c) allow access only to those parts of the Supplier System and Sites that those persons require;
 - (d) maintain records detailing each person's access to the Supplier System.
- 18.2 The Supplier must ensure, and must ensure that all Subcontractors ensure, that the user accounts for Privileged Users of the Supplier Information Management System:
 - (a) are allocated to a single, individual user;
 - (b) are accessible only from dedicated End-user Devices;
 - (c) are configured so that those accounts can only be used for system administration tasks;
 - (d) require passwords with high complexity that are changed regularly;
 - (e) automatically log the user out of the Supplier System after a period of time that is proportionate to the risk environment during which the account is inactive; and
 - (f) are:
 - (i) restricted to a single role or small number of roles;
 - (ii) time limited; and
 - (iii) restrict the Privileged User's access to the internet.
- 19. Return and deletion of Government Data
- 19.1 When requested to do so by the Buyer, the Supplier must, and must ensure that all Subcontractors:

- (a) securely erase any or all Government Data held by the Supplier or Subcontractor using a deletion method that ensures that even a determined expert using specialist techniques can recover only a small fraction of the data deleted; or
- (b) provide the Buyer with copies of any or all Government Data held by the Supplier or Subcontractor using the method specified by the Buyer.
- 20. Physical security
- 20.1 The Supplier must, and must ensure that Subcontractors, store the Government Data on servers housed in physically secure locations.
- 21. Breach of security
- 21.1 If the Supplier becomes aware of a Breach of Security that impacts or has the potential to impact the Government Data, it shall:
 - (a) notify the Buyer as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the breach, and in any event within [24] hours.
 - (b) provide such assistance to the Buyer as the Buyer requires until the Breach of Security and any impacts or potential impacts on the Buyer are resolved to the Buyer's satisfaction.
 - (c) where the Law requires the Buyer to report a Breach of Security to the appropriate regulator and provide such information and other input as the Buyer requires within the timescales specified by the Buyer.
- 22. Security Management Plan NOT APPLICABLE
- 22.1 This Paragraph 22 applies only where the Buyer has selected this option in paragraph 1.3.

Preparation of Security Management Plan

- 22.1 The Supplier shall document in the Security Management Plan how the Supplier and its Subcontractors shall comply with the requirements set out in this Schedule [A] (Security Management) and the Agreement in order to ensure the security of the Supplier solution and the Buyer data.
- 22.3 The Supplier shall prepare and submit to the Buyer within 20 Working Days of the date of this Agreement, the Security Management Plan, which must include a description of how all the options selected in this schedule are being met along with evidence of the required certifications for the Supplier and any Subcontractors specified in Paragraph 3.

Approval of Security Management Plan

- 22.4 The Buyer shall review the Supplier's proposed Security Management Plan as soon as possible and must issue the Supplier with either:
 - (a) an information security approval statement, which shall confirm that the Supplier may operate the service and process Buyer data; or

- (b) a rejection notice, which shall set out the Buyer's reasons for rejecting the Security Management Plan.
- 22.5 If the Buyer rejects the Supplier's proposed Security Management Plan, the Supplier must prepare a revised Security Management Plan taking the Buyer's reasons into account, which the Supplier must submit to the Buyer for review within 10 Working Days of the date of the rejection, or such other period agreed with the Buyer.
- 22.6 The rejection by the Buyer of a revised Security Management Plan is a material Default of this Agreement.

Updating Security Management Plan

22.7 The Supplier shall regularly review and update the Security Management Plan, and provide such to the Buyer, at least once each year and as required by this Paragraph.

Monitoring

- 22.8 The Supplier shall notify the Buyer within 2 Working Days after becoming aware of:
 - (a) a significant change to the components or architecture of the Supplier Information Management System;
 - (b) a new risk to the components or architecture of the Supplier Information Management System;
 - (c) a vulnerability to the components or architecture of the Supplier Information

 Management System using an industry standard vulnerability scoring mechanism;
 - (d) a change in the threat profile;
 - (e) a significant change to any risk component;
 - (f) a significant change in the quantity of Personal Data held within the Service;
 - (g) a proposal to change any of the Sites from which any part of the Services are provided; and/or
 - (h) an ISO27001 audit report produced in connection with the Certification Requirements indicates significant concerns. NOT APPLICABLE
- 22.9 Within 10 Working Days of such notifying the Buyer or such other timescale as may be agreed with the Buyer, the Supplier shall make the necessary changes to the Security Management Plan and submit the updated Security Management Plan to the Buyer for review and approval.

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