

United Kingdom-Telford: Rifles

OJ S 57/2015 21/03/2015

Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2009/81/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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### I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Ministry of Defence, DSG

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**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** the abovementioned address

### I.2. Type of the contracting authority

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

### I.3. Main activity

Defence

### I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

LSBU15/0025 Supply of Sniper Rifle Spares.

#### II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code UKG21 Telford and Wrekin

#### II.1.3. Information about framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in years: 3

**Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement**

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 833 400 and 4 322 012 GBP

**II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

Rifles. Defence Support Group, Land Supply Business Unit, part of the UK Ministry of Defence seeks to establish a 2 year Enabling Contract, with an option to extend for a further year, for the supply of spares to support a range of Sniper Rifles. Tenderers shall be provided with NATO Stock Numbers and the corresponding manufacturer's part number and shall be expected to source items using the NATO Item of Supply Information System (ISIS). The Authority reserves the right to add items of a similar nature to the contract during its lifetime. In accordance with the Government's transparency agenda, the Authority shall publish the Tender and Contract documents online. Further guidance shall be provided with the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN). By following the negotiated procedure, the Authority reserves the right to undertake negotiations and iterative tendering with bidders during the ITN process.

**II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

35321200 Rifles

**II.1.7. Information about subcontracting**

**II.1.8. Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.9. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2. Scope of the procurement**

**II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

Supply of spares to support a range of Sniper Rifles. The Authority reserves the right to add items of a similar nature to the contract during its lifetime.

Duration — 2 years plus 1 year option — 3 years total.

No business whatsoever is guaranteed under any resulting framework agreement or contract indeed there is no guarantee that any framework agreement or contract will be put in place in relation to this notice. No compensation etc. will be paid if a tender or resulting framework agreement is withdrawn for any reason. Bidders should take part in this process only on the basis that they fully understand and accept this position.

Any resulting Contract shall contain a set of Key Performance Indicators to measure performance in areas such as delivery and quality, and shall include remedies for poor performance.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 833 400 and 4 322 012 GBP

**II.2.2. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options: Further 12 month option to be considered, negotiated within 6 months of contract expiry date.

**II.2.3. Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

**II.3.**

## **Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

Duration in months: 36 (from the award of the contract)

### **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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#### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

The requirement as stated in the DPQQ will prevail.

##### **III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

Payment will be made following delivery and acceptance of goods. It is the intention to implement Purchase to Payment (P2P) as the payment arrangements under any eventual contract from the outset, or at the very least within 3 months of Contract award.

##### **III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

If a group of economic operators submits a bid, the group must nominate a lead organisation to deal with the Authority. The Authority shall require the group to form a legal entity before entering into the contract.

##### **III.1.4. Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject, in particular with regard to security of supply and security of information**

The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by a Security Aspects Letter, the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of the Security Aspects Letter to reflect any changes in national law or government policy whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies or otherwise.

From 2.4.2014 the Government introduced its new Government Security Classifications Policy (GSC). A key aspect of this was the reduction in the number of security classifications used. All suppliers to the Department are encouraged to make themselves aware of policy as it may impact on this Requirement. The link below to the Gov.uk website provides information on the GSC.

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

##### **III.1.5. Information about security clearance**

#### **III.2. Conditions for participation**

##### **III.2.1. Personal situation**

**Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions: The Authority will apply all the offences listed in Article 39(1) of Directive 2009/81/EC (implemented as Regulation 23(1) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations (DSPCR) 2011 in the UK) and all of the professional misconducts listed at Article 39(2) of Directive 2009/81/EC (see also Regulation 23(2) in the DSPCR 2011) to the decision of whether a Candidate is eligible to be invited to tender.

A full list of the Regulation 23(1) and 23(2) criteria are at <http://www.contracts.mod.uk/delta/project/reasonsForExclusion.html#dspr>

Candidates will be required to sign a declaration confirming whether they do or do not have any of the listed criteria as part of the pre-qualification process.

Candidates who have been convicted of any of the offences under Article 39(1) are ineligible and will not be selected to bid, unless there are overriding requirements in the general interest (including defence and security factors) for doing so.

Candidates who are guilty of any of the offences, circumstances or misconduct under Article 39 (2) may be excluded from being selected to bid at the discretion of the Authority.

### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

#### **Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

List and brief description of conditions: Economic and financial capacity — means of proof required. Information regarding economic and financial capacity will be requested as part of your DPQQ response.

A financial assessment will be undertaken on the supplier's financial status. An overall pass /fail judgement will be made after considering areas such as turnover, profit, net assets, liquidity, gearing and capacity. This assessment will include the Parent company where applicable. An independent financial assessment obtained from a reputable credit rating organisation may be utilised as part of this process.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: The requirement as stated in the DPQQ will prevail.

### **III.2.3. Technical and/or professional capacity**

#### **Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

List and brief description of conditions:

Technical capacity — means of proof required. Information regarding technical capacity will be requested as part of your DPQQ response.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

The requirement as stated in the DPQQ will prevail.

### **III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

#### **III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

##### **III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

##### **III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Negotiated

#### **IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number 3 and Maximum number 6

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Interested Suppliers are required to complete the DPQQ to provide the information that allows the Authority to evaluate the supplier's capacities and capabilities against the selection criteria set out at Sections III. 2.1), III.2.2) and III.2.3 of this Contract Notice.

The Authority will use the DPQQ response to create a short-list of tenderers who:  
(1) are eligible to participate under Section III.2.1) of this Contract Notice;  
(2) fulfil any minimum standards under Sections III.2.2) and III.2.3) of this Contract Notice; and  
(3) best meet in terms of capacity and capability the selection criteria set out in Sections III.2.2) and III.2.3) of this Contract Notice.

**IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated yes

**IV.2. Award criteria**

**IV.2.1. Award criteria**

Lowest price

**IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: yes

Additional information about electronic auction: Yes. A Reverse Auction, conducted using electronic means, may be used as part of the procurement process for this requirement. Specific relevant information on Reverse Auction usage will be given in the Invitation to Negotiate.

**IV.3. Administrative information**

**IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

LSBU15/0025

**IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

**Notice on a buyer profile**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2014/S 218-385510](#) of 12.11.2014

**IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

Payable documents: no

**IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

15.4.2015 - 15:00

**IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

**IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English.

**Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

**VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

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

**VI.3.**

## **Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender. The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on the basis of Lowest Price.

### **Electronic Trading**

Potential suppliers must note the mandatory requirement for electronic trading using the Ministry of Defence's standard Purchase to Payment (P2P) system operating under the Defence Electronic Commercial Service, which shall be a special condition for the performance of this Contract. You can find details on the P2P system at [www.d2btrade.com](http://www.d2btrade.com). The Contractor shall be required to sign DEFFORM 30 (Electronic Transaction Agreements) and unconditionally accept DEFCON 5J (Unique Identifiers), DEFCON 129J (The Use of Electronic Business Delivery Form); and DEFCON 522J (Payment under P2P). Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at [www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk). The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

Suppliers must read through this set of instructions and follow the process to respond to this opportunity.

The information and/or documents for this opportunity are available on <http://www.contracts.mod.uk>

You must register on this site to respond, if you are already registered you will not need to register again, simply use your existing username and password. Please note there is a password reminder link on the homepage.

Suppliers must log in, go to your Response Manager and add the following Access Code: 3U6846B3J4.

Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you here.

The deadline for submitting your response(s) is detailed within this contract notice, you will also have visibility of the deadline date, once you have added the Access code via DCO as the opening and closing date is visible within the opportunity.

Please ensure that you allow yourself plenty of time when responding to this opportunity prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents.

If you experience any difficulties please refer to the online Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) or the User Guides or contact the MOD DCO Helpdesk by emailing [support@contracts.mod.uk](mailto:support@contracts.mod.uk) or Telephone +44 800282324.

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## **VI.4. Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1. Review body**

### **VI.4.2. Review procedure**

**VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

16.3.2015