

**United Kingdom-Bristol: Bomb-disposal services**  
**OJ S 157/2017 18/08/2017**  
**Contract award notice**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Soldier Training and Special Programmes

Town: Bristol

NUTS code: UKK11 Bristol, City of

Country: United Kingdom

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**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

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

**I.5. Main activity**

Defence

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1. Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1. Title**

Cutlass in Service Support.

Reference number: SPSCM/00988

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

90523200 Bomb-disposal services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

Cutlass is the current largest Remote Controlled vehicle used within the bomb disposal environment.

**II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.7. Total value of the procurement**

Value excluding VAT: 10 000 000,00 GBP

**II.2. Description**

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance: United Kingdom.

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

In service support to existing RCV.

### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

2 x 6 month options.

### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:

no

### **II.2.14. Additional information**

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Description**

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below

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

Explanation:

The Special Projects Search and Counter measures Team (SPSCM), as part of the UK Ministry of Defence ('MoD') intends to award a 24 Month Support contract to Northrop Grumman (NG), (with 2 x 6 Month extension options) for the In Service Support of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Remote Control Vehicle (EOD RCV), Cutlass.

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the Negotiated Procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Article 28 (1) (e) of the Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (Regulation 16 (1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011).

The MoD cannot contract with any other economic entity as the performance of the contract requires access to technical information including plans, designs, software and drawings owned by NG and to which only it has access. For technical reasons and the necessity to use specific know-how and expertise the contract may only be awarded to NG. Current Post Design Support changes under way must be underwritten and accepted by the Design Authority to provide the MoD with the required assurance that testing and manufacturing for integration on to the RCV to maintain system safety integrity.

#### **IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

#### **IV.1.8.**

## **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

### **IV.2. Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

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

## **Section V: Award of contract**

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**Contract No:** SPSCM/00988

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

### **V.2. Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract**

01/08/2017

#### **V.2.2. Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 0

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

#### **V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Remotec Ltd Part of Northrop Grumman Ltd

Postal address: Unit 5, Quinn Close, Manor Park, Whitley

Town: Coventry

NUTS code: UKG33 Coventry

Postal code: CV3 4LH

Country: United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME: no

#### **V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 10 000 000,00 GBP

Total value of the contract/lot: 10 000 000,00 GBP

#### **V.2.5. Information about subcontracting**

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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### **VI.3. Additional information**

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

marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the Gov.uk website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

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

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

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

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Soldier Training and Special Programmes

Town: Bristol

Country: United Kingdom

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

16/08/2017