

United Kingdom-Bristol: Machine guns
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Contract award notice
Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Weapons, International Guns, Missiles and Rockets (IGMR) Project Team
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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

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

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

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title

M3M Multi Activity Contract.

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

Supplies
NUTS code BE33 Prov. Liège

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Machine guns. The International Guns, Missiles and Rockets Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence intends to extend existing Contract No IGMRGS/0699 with FN Herstal S.A. for a period of 6 months, with options to extend for further periods of 3 months for up to a year. This contract is for the Provision of In-Service Support for the M3M Machine Gun System, including Design Custodian Services, Routine Technical Support, Fault Investigation and Analysis, Specialist Technical Support, Modifications, Technical Publications Procurement, Procurement of the Machine Gun System and Spares, Specialist Ad Hoc Tasking Service, Repairs and Training.

II.1.5. CPV code(s)

35321300 Machine guns

II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

II.2. Total value of the contract/lot

II.2.1. Total value of the contract/lot

Value: 752 000 GBP

Including VAT. VAT rate (%) 20

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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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

Justification for the award of the contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union:

Directive 2004/18/EC

1) Justification for the choice of the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in the OJEU in accordance with Directive 2004/18/EC

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

technical

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IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

IV.3. Administrative information

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

IGMRGS/0699

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2015/S 208-377641](#) of 27.10.2015

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: IGMRGS/0699

Lot title: M3M Multi Activity Contract

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

30.11.2015

V.2. Information about tenders

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: FN Herstal S.A

Postal address: Voie de Leige 33

Town: Herstal

Postal code: 4040

Country: Belgium

E-mail: info@fnherstal.com

V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:

Value: 752 000 GBP

Including VAT. VAT rate (%) 20

V.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about European Union funds

VI.2. Additional information

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 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.

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

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

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.

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VI.3. Procedures for review

VI.3.1. Review body

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Weapons, International Guns, Missiles and Rockets (IGMR) Project Team

Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Weapons, International Guns, Missiles and Rockets (IGMR) Project Team

VI.3.2. Review procedure

VI.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Weapons, International Guns, Missiles and Rockets (IGMR) Project Team

VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice

16.12.2015