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Thirty contracts awarded by the Ministry of Defence to mainly British firms last month amounted to a total of £7.7m worth of work. Three of just under £1m are: A £950,000 order for design-modelling services awarded by GB-Bristol to Frazer-Nash Consultancy Ltd, Bristol; a £910,980 contract for maintenance and repair services related to specific parts of vehicles given by GB-Telford to Finning (UK) Ltd,
Cannock, Staffordshire; and an £800,000 order for airborne particle monitoring, the supply and support of air to liquid sampling and collecting devices for airborne particulate material, awarded by GB-Salisbury to Bristol Industrial & Research Associates Ltd (Biral), Bristol.

Danish firm YIT A/S, Fredericia, have got the job of demolishing a mast on the Faroe Islands. Awarded by GB-Henlow, the contract is worth £42,565.95.

Other contracts under £1m issued by the MoD last month went to: Argus Fluid Handling Ltd, Salisbury,

Wiltshire, £36,000 for hose assembly, awarded by GB-Telford; ThalesOptronics Ltd, Glasgow, £77,000, barrel tester and cleaner, GB-Telford; Automotive Tools & Supplies Ltd, Burnley, Lancs, £86,963, supply of axle stands, GB-Telford;Thermo Electron Scientific Instruments, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, £37,000, gas chromatographic equipment, GB-Salisbury; Comet Group plc, Rickmansworth, Herts, £22,710.40, supply, delivery and installation of domestic white goods comprising 48 washing machines, 48 tumble dryers, 48 fridges, 24 microwave ovens, Defence Estates; CQC Ltd, Barnstaple, Devon, £18,705, trouser belts, GB-Bath; Millstream (Penthouse Systems) Ltd, £376,206, road signs, GB-Bristol;

Inzpire Ltd, Lincoln, £590,000, vocational training services (3 years), GB-High Wycombe; Air Salvage International Ltd, Alton, Hampshire, £100,241, road move of Nimrod XV235 aircraft to Cosford, GB-Huntingdon; Draeger Safety (UK) Ltd, Blyth,Northumberland, £50,000, toxic gas detection services, support of ISGOTT Multiwarn & Miniwarn monitors and associated bump test kits, GB-Bristol; Electrothermal
Engineering Ltd, Rochford, Essex, supply of 7PMT spares, £399,100, GB-Telford; Tritech Developments Ltd, St Helens, Merseyside. £35,000, repair and maintenance services GB-Henlow; Aikona Management Ltd, Sutton, Surrey, £117,160, higher education services. GB-Bristol;

Thales Optronics Ltd, Glasgow, £271,601, military electronic systems, supply of various proprietary electrical and optical items fitted to the Titan, Trojan,CVR(T), Warrior and Challenger 2 vehicles (3 years), GB-Abbey Wood; Terberg DTS (UK) Ltd, Halifax, West Yorkshire, £97,638 (3 years), provision of a horse ambulance, maintenance and testing package for the vehicle,

GB-London; Sandy Arthur Training
Services Ltd, Limavady, County Londonderry, £236,020, provision of Category B, B+E, C, C+E, D1 and D1+E licence acquisition services in Lowland Scotland, GB-Andover; B Safe Driver Training Ltd, Willington, County Durham, £198,550, provision of Category B, B+E, C, C+E, D1 and D1+E licence acquisition services in Lowland Scotland, GB-Andover;

PCB Piezotronics Europe GmbH, Huckelhoven, North-Rhine Westphalia, Germany, £33,117.58, blast pressure gauges, GB-Salisbury; Salt Separation Services Ltd, Rochdale, Lancs, £226,085, purification plant equipment, GB-Bristol; Leonard Gould & Co Ltd, Maidstone, Kent, £28,259, weapons, ammunition and associated parts, Defence General Munitions Project Team; Manroy Engineering Ltd, Tonbridge, Kent, £535,640, supply of 7PMT towbar spares, GB-Telford; Morson Wynnwith Ltd, Salford, Manchester, £245,160, contractor's working party to RAF Benson in support of Puma Mk1helicopters, GB-Abbey Wood; Millstream (Production Engineering) Ltd, Morden, Surrey, £22,885.20, supply of 120 GS Stretchers; polyester canvas cloth cover; 2x4mm poles, 3 sets of web restraining straps, 4 detachable handles; o/a dimensions 2290mm x 584mm x 155mm, GB-Bath; EMS Physio Ltd, Wantage, Oxon, £61,830, supply of health monitoring test equipment, GB-Bath; Capita Symonds Ltd, London, £138,000, business and management consultancy and related services, GB-Glasgow; Pearson Professional Centres, London, £550,000, provision of teaching qualification for DCTS, GB-Glasgow; Institute of Leadership and Management, London, £170,000, provision of coaching/mentoring qualification for DCTS, GB-Glasgow.

Fifteen MoD contracts with no amount shown were awarded to: Bradley Doublelock Ltd,Bingley, West Yorkshire, parts of military vehicles, pintle assembly, GB-Telford;Ultralife Batteries Ltd, Abingdon, Oxon, non-rechargeable battery 14V, GB-Telford; Manbat Ltd, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, battery storage 12V acid battery packs, GB-Telford; Med-Lab Ltd, Derby, supply & repair of conductivity meters, GB-Wimborne; Brownell Ltd, Park Royal, London, supply of NEPS 1000 Systems & Dewpoint sensors, GB-Bristol; DMS Technologies, Romsey, Hampshire, vehicle slave battery systems, battery packs, slave kit for Class A and Class B vehicles with UK charger, including delivery to DSG Donnington, GB-Bristol; Active Electronics, High Wycombe, Bucks, supply of spare parts for synergistic individual surveillance and target acquisition system, night-glasses, GB-Telford; Ortho Clinical Diagnostics, High Wycombe, Bucks, laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses), supply of laboratory consumables, GB-Bath; Bozeat Industrial Ltd t/a BI Engineering, Wellingborough,Northamptonshire, adaptor towbar, GB-Telford; Abbott Diagnostics Ltd, Maidenhead, Berkshire, haemotology analysers, GB-Bath; FLIR Systems Ltd, West Malling, Kent, identify fault with computer electronics unit, helicopters, GB-Yeovil; Ultralife
Batteries (UK) Ltd, Abingdon, Oxon, battery packs, GB-Telford; Coastal Preservation Services Ltd, Droxford, Hampshire, painting and protective-coating work of structures, paint the SETT (submarine escape training tank) and A&T tower at Fort Blockhouse, Gosport, GB-Portsmouth; Amberley Stores Limited t/a Amberley Security, Portsmouth, Hampshire, provision of locksmith tasks in various establishments in the Portsmouth Area, GB-Portsmouth; KAB Seating Ltd, Round Spinney, Northants, driver's seat for Scammell MK2, GB-Telford.