

REQUEST FOR DMPC DECISION – PCD 2016 80**Title: TERRITORIAL SUPPORT GROUP (TSG) FIREARM UPLIFT****Executive Summary:**

This paper requests the approval of the business case and to initiate the procurement for the second wave Territorial Support Group (TSG) Firearms Uplift. TSG officers will not be routinely armed and will be trained to enable more deployment of firearm resources. This is one strand of the overall firearms uplift and is a contingency option.

Recommendation:

The DMPC is asked to

1. Approve the business case and initiate procurement for the second wave Territorial Support Group (TSG) Firearms Uplift and the associated funding of £11.06m from the Armed Uplift budget.
2. Approve the Single Tender Action and subsequent contract award of four contracts, which will not exceed a total cost of £1,645,475.

Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

Signature**Date**

09/11/2016

PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE DMPC

Decision required – supporting report

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. The MPS is looking to develop a second wave capability to meet the threat of a Marauding Terrorism Firearms Attack (MTFA), in the wake of the attacks in Paris in November 2015.

2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. This proposal will allow the MPS to deploy more firearms resources to an MTFA than are currently available. The MPS will also be able to work more closely with other blue light services to assist in the treatment of casualties and the evacuation of people from areas secured by Armed Response Vehicles (ARV) and Counter Terrorist Senior Firearms Officers (CTSFO).
- 2.2. The second wave TSG officers will continue to maintain their current deployments and response, allowing non CT related activity in support of MPS crime reduction and crime prevention to continue. This proposal does not lead to the routine arming of the TSG and provides a contingency option to support ARVs and CTSFOs.
- 2.3. Due to the confidential nature of the proposal the detail is held in Part 2.

3. Financial Comments

- 3.1. The proposed cost of £11.06m, which includes £2.238m capital spend will be funded from the Firearms Uplift budget. The funding of the capital will be from the Firearms Uplift budget and will be paid for by a revenue contribution to capital.
- 3.2. Note that the uplift programme will require an annual revenue budget for training and equipment of £1.065m from 2018/19. This creates a budget pressure as it is currently unfunded within the revenue budget.

4. Legal Comments

- 4.1. The recommendation can be lawfully approved in accordance with MOPAC Contract Regulations and EU/UK Procurement law.
- 4.2. In accordance with the MOPAC Scheme of Consent and Delegation approval is required by the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime for all MPS requests to go out to tender for contracts of £500,000 or above, and to approve contract exemptions (such as direct awards).

5. Equality Comments

- 5.1. There are no direct equality issues arising from this proposal.

6. Background/supporting papers

- 6.1. None.

Public access to information

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and will be made available on the MOPAC website following approval.

If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary.

Part 1 Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO

Part 2 Confidentiality: Only the facts or advice considered as likely to be exempt from disclosure under the FOIA should be in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a **Part 2** form – Yes

If yes, for what reason: EXEMPT under Article 2(2)(a) of the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011.

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

		Tick to confirm statement (✓)
Head of Unit: The Head of Strategic Finance and Resource Management has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.		✓
Legal Advice: The MPS legal team has been consulted on the proposal.		✓
Financial Advice: The Strategic Finance and Resource Management Team has been consulted on this proposal.		✓
Equalities Advice: No Equalities and Diversity issues identified.		✓

OFFICER APPROVAL**Chief Executive Officer**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

Signature

R. Lawrence

Date 3/11/16

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METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE
ARMED UPLIFT PROGRAMME - SECOND WAVE RESPONSE

Investment Advisory Board – 20th October 2016.

Report by Chief Inspector Bowen-Long

On behalf of SRO DAC Peter Terry

Executive Summary

The MPS is looking to develop a second wave capability, to meet the threat of a marauding Terrorism firearms Attack, in the wake of the attacks in Paris in November 2015.

This plan has been directed and approved by Management Board

It will require additional expenditure and will involve procurement through existing contracts and a single tender action.

A Recommendations

It is recommended that Deputy Mayor Policing and Crime approve the financial and procurement processes set out, to enable the second wave response to be implemented.

B Supporting Information

1 The strategic case.

Following the terrorist attacks in Paris in November 2015 the MPS reviewed its response to Marauding Terrorist Firearms Attacks (MTFA). Proposals were presented to Management Board in January 2016, where work was tasked out to bring back proposals for a second wave capability, to support the initial response provided by the Armed response vehicle (ARV) crews and the counter Terrorism Senior Firearms Officers (CT SFO's)

In March 2016 Management Board tasked the Armed Uplift Programme to develop plans to deliver this second wave response. An options paper was presented to management board on 12th July 2016.

This paper details the costs required to implement these proposals.

2 Envisaged Benefits

The project is not a change project aimed at making efficiencies, or reducing costs, it is an enhancement of capability to meet a specific threat, and to save lives in the event of an MTFA.

- It will provide the MPS with a greater capability to respond to an MTFA and deal with the broader threat from this style of terrorist attack
- It will allow the MPS to deploy more firearms resources to an MTFA than are currently available.
- It will enable the MPS to work more closely with other blue light services to assist in the treatment of casualties and the evacuation of people from areas secured by ARVs and CTSFO's.

- It will assist in saving life in the event of an MTFA
- It will increase public confidence in the MPS's capability to protect London in the event of such an incident.
- It ensures that 2nd wave officers continue to maintain their current deployments and response, allowing non related CT activity in support of MPS crime reduction and crime prevention to continue.

3 The Commercial case

The procurement process is yet to commence and will do so once MOPAC approval is gained and funding allocated for the procurement of the required services and equipment. A final business case has been submitted to Management Board (10th October 2016).

3.1 Agreed goods and services

The purchase of equipment, additional training requirements, and maintenance needs will require additional year on year expenditure.

3.2 Procurement Processes

The range of requirements for this business case is varied and each have their own route to market and subsequent procurement process. Whilst the majority of the requirement has (existing contracts) or will undergo a competitive process, several of the requirements can only be met by individual suppliers. The procurement route for these items will be as an allowed exemption to the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (commonly known as single tender action) due to reasons of interoperability and commonality of training. Regulation 32 allows for contract to be awarded by a negotiated procedure without prior publication in certain circumstances. Both Regulation 32 (2)(b)(ii) where supplies can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for technical reasons and Regulation 32 (5)(b) where for additional deliveries by the original supplier which are intended either as a partial replacement of supplies or installations or as the extension of existing supplies or installations where a change of supplier would oblige the contracting authority to acquire supplies having different technical characteristics which would result in incompatibility or disproportionate technical difficulties in operation and maintenance.

Weapons and equipment will come from a range of suppliers. Whilst the majority of this will be sourced through existing MPS procurement routes several will be procured through a single tender action.