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The British MHRA Expected Many Vaccine Adverse Reactions in October 2020, Months Before the Vaccine Rollout Started

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The British MHRA expected many vaccine adverse reactions, in October 2020, months before the vaccine rollout started. The Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) issued a tender for "an Artificial Intelligence (AI) software tool to process the expected high volume of Covid-19 vaccine Adverse Drug Reaction (ADRs)."

The MHRA urgently seeks an Artificial Intelligence (AI) software tool to process the expected high volume of Covid-19 vaccine Adverse Drug Reaction (ADRs) and ensure that no details from the ADRs' reaction text are missed.

But they went ahead with the vaccine program anyway and passed it off as *"Safe and Effective,"* even though they knew it would cause serious harm.

The tender was issued by the MHRA Buyer Organisation and on 2 March 2022, it was still displayed on the European Union's *Tenders Electronic Daily* (TED) website. TED is a *Supplement to the Official Journal of the EU*.

Note that this is classified as an *extreme urgent request*.

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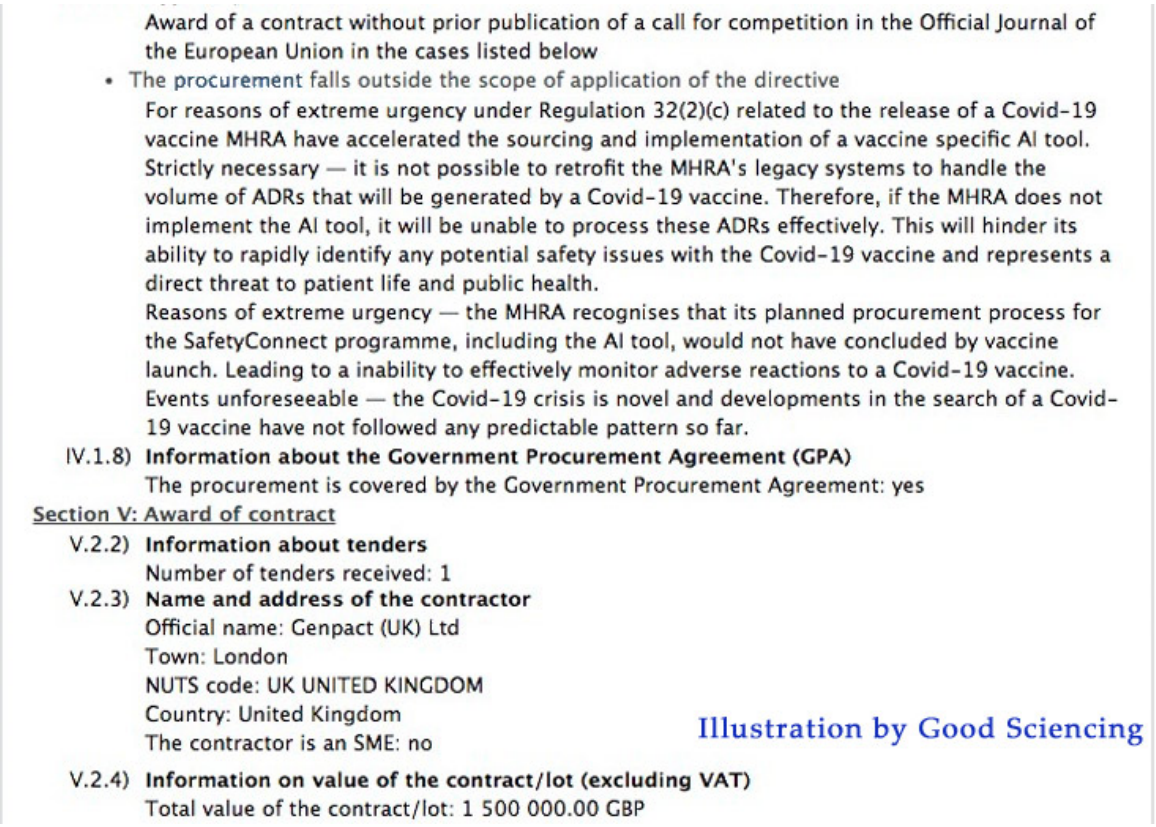
Reasons of extreme urgency — the MHRA recognises that its planned procurement process for the SafetyConnect programme, including the AI tool, would not have concluded by vaccine launch. Leading to a inability to effectively monitor adverse reactions to a Covid-19 vaccine.

Events unforeseeable — the Covid-19 crisis is novel and developments in the search of a Covid-19 vaccine have not followed any predictable pattern so far.

The tender document has been stored in multiple places in case they try to erase this evidence by removing it from the tender website. View or Download it here.

The contract was awarded to the only applicant, Genpact (UK) for 1.5 million GBP.



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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the directive

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IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

Section V: Award of contract

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**
Number of tenders received: 1

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**
Official name: Genpact (UK) Ltd
Town: London
NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM
Country: United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME: no

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V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Total value of the contract/lot: 1 500 000.00 GBP

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