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NSSL's Mod Nod

NSSL is an international satellite communications provider and the company has just been awarded an extension of a major contract to become the sole provider of commercial satcoms for the **UK Ministry of Defence (MoD)**. The contract, which comes under the umbrella of the Skynet 5 PFI, will run through 2020 and reflects the good relationship enjoyed between the Ministry of Defence and NSSL over the past 20 years.

The value of the contract is in excess of £200m and will involve NSSL supplying handsets, DVB services, BGAN (Broadband Global Area Network) and integration assistance to MoD units around the world. MoD personnel will use this equipment for support and administrative purposes, as well as strategic communications.

MoD spokesperson Lt. *John Gordon* (CINCFLEET Staff) said: "It is vital that MoD personnel can rely on competent and secure communications wherever they might be in the world. NSSL has worked with the MoD for a number of years and we have always been delighted by the high quality of customer service and technical support. We are looking forward to working with NSSL for the foreseeable future."—*London, United Kingdom*