TYPE 31e

Minimum dimensions and draft driven by:

· Accommodation for crew and augmentees.

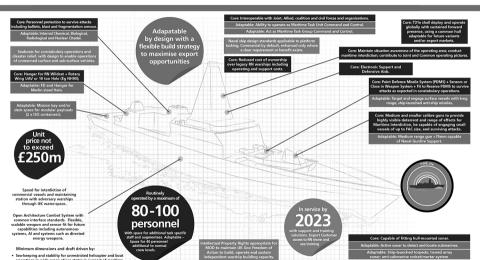
. Sea-keeping and stability for unrestricted helicopter and boat operations in wide range of sea states in support of maritime interdiction and Disaster Relief roles, and for sensor range.

. Stowages - ships, boats, stores, emergency relief stores. . Growth allowances and evolution paths for adaptability.



Adaptable: Ship-launched torpedo; towed array sonar; anti-submarine rocket/mortar system.

Capable of global operations, in between the marginal ice zones and including the ulf/Red Sea, with self-sustaining food and water for 28 days and a fuel range of 6500 m at economical speeds. Ability to Replenish at Sea (RAS) fuels with NATO Allies.



Core variants designed, integrated and assembled in the UK as

the principal means of delivering National Shipbuilding Strategy

Adaptable: Ability to build under licence overseas

additional to normal

crew levels