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Dear [            ]

**Re: Unified Contract (Crime) July 2008 – contract extension.**

We notified providers earlier this year that we intended to extend the Unified Contract (Crime) July 2008, which is due to expire on 13 January 2010, for a further six months.

Please find enclosed formal notice of extension of your Unified Contract (Crime) July 2008 under clause 3 of the Contract for Signature. This contract will now end at midnight on 13 July 2010. You do not need to take any action in relation to this extension and can carry on working as usual.

If you wish to undertake publicly funded criminal defence work after 13 July 2010 you must apply for the replacement 2010 Standard Crime Contract. Full information on the application process and how to tender can be found on our website at [www.legalservices.gov.uk](http://www.legalservices.gov.uk) following the path Criminal Defence Services > Tenders > 2010 Standard Crime Contracts.

We look forward to receiving your application in due course and continuing to work with you in the future.

Yours sincerely



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