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Dear Mr John,

#### FOI REQUEST: CPS ACCOUNTABILITY - HOLDING RESPONSE

I am writing to update you on the progress of your FOI request for instructions, correspondence, guidance, advice or warnings given to the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) in the last 12 months about its ability to account for the use of public money.

As explained in my letter of 25 January 2010, we have identified a number of documents which we believe fall within the terms of your request. We are currently consulting with third parties about these documents before reaching our final conclusion on whether or not they can be disclosed. I regret that this means there will be a further delay in our responding to this final part of your request.

I am unable to provide you with a date for completion at this stage, but please be assured that we will send you our final response as soon as we can.

Yours sincerely,

**Julian Wood**  
Director, Corporate Affairs