

## CRIMINAL CASEWORK E-MAIL UPDATE

1 February 2017

**All managers should ensure that all relevant content from this email is brought to the attention of their staff.**

### **Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016**

On 1 February 2017 the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016 ([EEA Regulations 2016](#)) come into force, replacing the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2006. The EEA Regulations 2016 include substantive changes on criminality and abuse. A summary of the changes and what this means for Criminal Casework and other operational areas is set out in the **interim operational notice (01/02/2017)**.

**All** decisions made on or after 1 February **must** be made under the EEA Regulations 2016.

New guidance on EEA public policy and public security decisions will be available from **1 February** here.

The regulation 33 (formerly regulation 24AA) guidance is being updated to reflect that it is no longer necessary to certify under section 94B as well.

All EEA **decision templates** have been updated and are attached. They will be uploaded to Docgen as soon as possible and **must** be used for any decision made on or after 1 February.

Any questions should be raised with your senior caseworker (SCW) in the first instance.

### **Migrant Criminality Policy**

Immigration and Border Policy Directorate