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Dear Stakeholder,

As you will know, HMCTS has been carrying out measures to maximise the space within our estate, as well as create new capacity outside our estate in response to the current pandemic. As a result, I am pleased to inform you that two additional hearing rooms will begin hearing Crown Court work at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL, from the week commencing 11th January 2021.

Hearings will be listed into the courtrooms on a temporary basis and as a direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once the courtrooms are operational, we will regularly review the need for their continued use.

I would like to thank you for your contributions in bringing us to this point.

Please cascade this information to your colleagues and other interested parties at a national and regional level, as appropriate. To ask the team any other questions, please email <u>innerlondoncrowncourt@Justice.gov.uk</u> and put 'Crown Court sitting at RCJ' as the email subject.

Full details of on HMTCS' planning and preparation throughout the pandemic is available at

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-courts-and-tribunals-planning-and-preparation

Yours faithfully,

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