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To Whom It May Concern:

**PERSONS TRAVELLING TO OR FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM
CARRYING CONTROLLED DRUGS**

Thank you for your recent enquiry and/or application for a Home Office licence to carry controlled drugs.

We would like to draw your attention to substantial changes surrounding requirements for such licences. These changes will take effect from 1 January 2007.

As of this date any person travelling for any period up to and including 28 days, i.e. 4 weeks, will not require a Home Office licence regardless of the drug and amount being carried.

However, it is important that our advice concerning the carriage of a letter issued by the prescribing doctor or drug worker is still followed. The letter should contain the following information:

- Your name
- Your address
- Your date of birth
- The outward and return dates of your travel
- The country you are visiting
- List the drugs you are carrying, including dosages and total amounts

Additionally, it is always advisable to contact the Embassy/Consulate/High Commission of the country to be visited to ensure you will not be refused entry with the drug(s) you wish to carry.

Telephone numbers for the above organisations along with general information concerning travel with controlled drugs can be found at our website www.drugs.gov.uk

Thank you for your attention.

Drugs Licensing Team