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Questionnaire for defence lawyers on access to legal advice and legal aid

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for taking your time to contribute to our research into the standard of access to legal advice and legal aid throughout the European Union. This research will provide the basis for the development of "Measure C" of the Roadmap on Procedural Rights adopted by the Council of the European Union on 30 November 2009 which is aimed at strengthening the right to legal advice and legal aid in the EU and will be presented in the course of 2011.

As further research on the availability of legal advice and legal aid in EU Member States will be carried out by the European Commission and external contractors in the second half of 2010, I kindly ask you to support this research by agreeing to be available for answering further questions on your experience with providing legal advice to suspects and accused persons and with the legal aid system in your Member State should this be necessary.

Please do not hesitate to contact my colleagues responsible for this file in case you have any questions or wish to provide us with more information on the topic:

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Yours faithfully

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