

### AIM

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Reduce crime and fear of crime and their social and economic costs and dispense justice fairly and efficiently and to promote confidence in the rule of law.

### OBJECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

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**Objective I:** Reduce crime and the fear of crime, including organised and international crime, and ensure the effective delivery of justice.

- 1. Reduce crime by 15%, and further in high crime areas, by 2007-08.*
- 2. Improve the delivery of justice by increasing the number of crimes for which an offender is brought to justice to 1.25 million by 2007-08.*
- 3. Reassure the public, reducing the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour, and building confidence in the Criminal Justice System without compromising fairness.*

### STANDARDS

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In addition to the PSA targets the following standard will be achieved and maintained:

- Protect the public by ensuring there is no deterioration in the levels of re-offending for young offenders, for adults sentenced to imprisonment and adults sentenced to community sentences, maintaining the current low rate of prisoner escapes, including Category A escapes.

### WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERY?

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The Home Secretary, the Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs and the Attorney General are jointly responsible for the objectives, performance targets and standards set out in this PSA.

The Home Secretary, the Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs and the Attorney General are also responsible for the delivery of the agreed efficiency targets set out in the Home Office, Constitutional Affairs and Law Officers' Departments chapter of the 2004 Spending Review White Paper.

