

Fighting Crime and Terrorism: we need your help.

Crime and terrorism need cash. Criminals turn the 'dirty' cash made from fraud, drug trafficking, smuggling and robbery into 'clean' money by using false identities or taking the names of innocent people – like you. That money can then be used to finance further crime and terrorism.

You can make life harder for criminals and terrorists.

How? Your financial services provider may ask you to present information or documents to confirm your identity (e.g. passport, driving licence, utility bill, benefit book, etc). This may happen more than once if you have several products.

When? This can happen whether you are applying to be a new customer or have been a customer for some time – but it should not affect your day-to-day transactions with your provider.

Why? Information is needed that clearly identifies you. This makes it harder for criminals to use false or stolen identities – including yours – to access the financial system and turn the proceeds of crime into clean money. If you are asked to provide information, remember that this is in the interests of us all.

Who's involved? The Government, law enforcement agencies, all organisations involved in financial services – and you.

Your co-operation is vital to the successful fight against crime and terrorism.

Thank you.



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