

Barcelona can now officially register Ferran Torres after tying Samuel Umtiti to a new contract until 2026 on a reduced salary.

Barca announced they had reached an agreement to sign Torres from Manchester City in a €55 million (£46m/\$62m) deal at the end of December, bringing to an end his 16-month stay in the Premier League.

The club subsequently revealed that they would need to cut their wage bill further in order to register the 21-year-old, and Umtiti has made the sacrifice by accepting a pay cut to extend his six-year spell at Camp Nou.

What did Barcelona confirm?

Barca have confirmed the news in an official statement, which reads: "FC Barcelona and first-team player Samuel Umtiti have reached an agreement to extend the latter's contract until 30 June 2026. The French defender is reducing a part of the salary that he was due to receive in the year and a half remaining on his contract.

"This contract extension operation does not entail any greater financial commitments for FC Barcelona with regard to the player. FC Barcelona wishes to publicly express its gratitude to Samuel Umtiti for his willingness and the affection that he has demonstrated towards the club."

"Through this contract extension, FC Barcelona will be able to increase its 'financial fair play' quota and thus register Ferran Torres with the Spanish Professional Football League."