PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 16

1. The competent authorities and institutions responsible for the application of this Convention:

- (a) shall communicate to each other any information necessary for the application of this Convention;
- (b) shall lend their good offices and furnish assistance to one another with regard to any matter relating to the application of this Convention as if the matter were affecting the application of their own legislation;
- (c) shall communicate to each other, as soon as possible, all information about the measures taken by them for the application of this Convention or about changes in their respective legislation insofar as these changes affect the application of this Convention.

2. The assistance referred to in sub-paragraph 1(b) of this Article shall be provided free of charge, subject to any agreement reached between the competent authorities of the two Parties for the reimbursement of certain types of expenses.

3. Unless disclosure is required under the laws of a Party, any information about an individual which is transmitted in accordance with this Convention to one Party by the other Party is confidential and shall be used only for purposes of implementing this Convention and the legislation to which this Convention applies and for no other purpose.

ARTICLE 17

1. A general administrative arrangement, agreed to by the competent authorities of the two Parties, shall set out, as required, the conditions under which this Convention shall be implemented.

2. The agencies responsible for liaison between the Parties shall be designated in that arrangement.

ARTICLE 18

1. Any exemption from or reduction of charges for which provision is made in the legislation of one Party in connection with the issuing of any certificate or document required to be produced for the application of that legislation shall be extended to certificates or documents required to be produced for the application of the legislation of the other Party.

2. Any acts or documents of an official nature required to be produced for the application of this Convention shall be exempt from any authentication by diplomatic or consular authorities or similar formality.