## ARTICLE V

- 1. Each party shall explain the substance of the present Treaty to any offender to whom it may apply.
- 2. Any transfer of offenders made under the present Treaty shall be at the initiative of the Sending State. No provision of this Treaty shall be construed as preventing an offender from submitting to the Sending State a petition for transfer.
- 3. If an offender requests a transfer and the Sending State approves it, the Sending State shall transmit the request to the Receiving State through diplomatic channels.
- 4. If the Receiving State approves a request, it shall notify the Sending State and take the necessary measures to effect the transfer; otherwise, it shall inform the Sending State of its refusal without delay.
- 5. In reaching their decision concerning a transfer, each Party shall consider all factors that may contribute to the offender's rehabilitation.
- 6. If the Receiving State approves a transfer, the Sending State shall afford an opportunity to the Receiving State, if it so desires, to verify, prior to the transfer, the offender's informed consent to the transfer.
- 7. No offender shall be transferred unless the sentence is of a duration, or converted to a duration by appropriate authorities in the Receiving State, that is enforceable in the Receiving State.
- 8. The Sending State shall provide the Receiving State with a statement indicating the offence of which the offender has been convicted, the duration of the sentence, and the amount of time already served, including any pre-trial detention; and containing as well a report with particulars of the offender's behaviour while incarcerated, for purposes of determining eligibility for benefits afforded under the laws of the Receiving State. This statement shall be translated into the language of the Receiving State and duly authenticated. The Sending State shall also provide the Receiving State with a certified copy of the sentence handed down by the competent judicial authority, together with any amendments thereto. It shall also provide any other information that may help the Receiving State determine how best to treat the offender in order to bring about the offender's social rehabilitation.
- 9. The Receiving State may request additional information where it considers that the documents supplied by the Sending State do not enable it to carry out the provisions of this Treaty.

10. Each Party shall take the necessary legislative measures and, where required, shall establish adequate procedures, to give, for the purposes of this Treaty, legal effect within its territory to sentences pronounced by courts of the other Party.

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