

ARTICLE 3

Extradition Offences

1. An extradition offence is committed when the conduct of the person whose extradition is sought constitutes an offence punishable by the laws of both contracting States by a term of imprisonment for a period of more than one year.

2. When extradition is ordered in respect of an extradition offence, it may also be ordered in respect of any other offence related to the commission of the extradition offence if it is specified in the request for extradition and meets all requirements for extradition except the term of imprisonment referred to in paragraph 1.

3. Extradition shall be ordered for an extradition offence notwithstanding that it may be an offence relating to taxation or revenue or is one of a purely fiscal character.

ARTICLE 4

Extradition and Prosecution

1. The request for extradition may be refused by the requested State if the person whose extradition is sought may be tried for the extradition offence in one of its own courts.

2. In deciding whether or not to refuse a request for extradition for the reason set out in paragraph 1, the requested State shall consider which contracting State has felt or will feel the effects or consequences of the offence more gravely or immediately.

3. Where the requested State refuses a request for extradition for the reason set out in paragraph 1, it shall submit the case to its own competent authority so that prosecution may be considered. In such case, the requesting State shall, upon request, provide all available assistance that may be required by such competent authority in respect of the prosecution.

4. Where extradition is granted under this Treaty, the requesting State shall ensure that the person extradited is brought to trial within 6 months of the extradition.

5. Where trial has not commenced within 6 months, the requesting State shall bring the person extradited before its appropriate courts for bail to be considered pending trial and to set a trial date for the charges for which extradition was granted.

ARTICLE 5

Exceptions to Extradition

1. Extradition may be refused if: