

- (c) the provision of information, documents and other records, including criminal records, judicial records and government records;
  - (d) the delivery of property, including lending of exhibits;
  - (e) the taking of evidence and obtaining of statements of persons;
  - (f) search and seizure;
  - (g) making persons, including detained persons, available to give evidence or assist criminal proceedings, including investigations and judicial proceedings;
  - (h) measures to locate, restrain and forfeit the proceeds of crime; and
  - (i) other assistance consistent with the objects of this Treaty.
6. The competent authorities of the Requested State shall make best efforts to ascertain the location and identity of persons and objects specified in the request.

## ARTICLE 2

### Execution of Requests

1. Requests for assistance shall be executed promptly in accordance with the law of the Requested State and, insofar as it is not prohibited by that law, in the manner requested by the Requesting State.
2. The Requested State shall, upon request, inform the Requesting State of the time and place of execution of the request for assistance.

## ARTICLE 3

### Refusal or Postponement of Assistance

1. Assistance may be refused if, in the opinion of the Requested State, the execution of the request would impair its sovereignty, security, public order or essential public interest, or be contrary to its law.
2. Assistance may be postponed by the Requested State if execution of the request would interfere with criminal proceedings, including investigations and judicial proceedings, in the Requested State.
3. The Requested State shall promptly inform the Requesting State of a decision of the Requested State not to comply in whole or in part with a request for assistance, or to postpone execution, and shall give reasons for that decision.
4. Before refusing to grant a request for assistance or before postponing the grant of such assistance, the Requested State shall consider whether assistance may be granted subject to such conditions as it deems necessary. If the Requesting State accepts assistance subject to these conditions, it shall comply with them.