ARTICLE 16

SAFE CONDUCT

(1) Subject to Article 17 (2), a person present in the Requesting State in response to a request shall not be prosecuted, detained or subjected to any other restriction of personal liberty in that State for any acts or omissions which preceded that person's departure from the Requested State, nor shall that person be obliged to give evidence in any proceeding other than that to which the request relates.

(2) Paragraph 1 of this Article shall cease to apply if a person, being free to leave the Requesting State, has not left within thirty days after receiving official notification that the person's attendance is no longer required or, having left, has voluntarily returned.

(3) A person who fails to appear in the Requesting State shall not be subjected to any sanction or compulsory measure in the Requested or Requesting State except as provided in Article 15.

ARTICLE 17

TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF SENTENCED PERSONS IN CUSTODY

(1) Upon request, a person serving a sentence in the Requested State shall be temporarily transferred to the Requesting State to assist investigations or to testify, provided that the person consents.

(2) When the person transferred is required to be kept in custody under the law of the Requested State, the Requesting State shall hold that person in custody and shall return the person in custody at the conclusion of the execution of the request.

(3) When the sentence imposed expires, or where the Requested State advises the Requesting State that the transferred person is no longer required to be held in custody, that person shall be set at liberty and be treated as a person present in the Requesting State pursuant to a request seeking that person's attendance.