authority, the central authority for Canada shall be the Minister of Justice or officials designated by that Minister and the central authority for the United Kingdom shall be the Home Office, London.

## ARTICLE VI - REQUESTS

- (1) Requests and responses thereto shall be transmitted between the central authorities.
- (2) Requests shall be made in writing. In urgent circumstances, or where otherwise permitted by the Requested State, requests may be made orally but shall be confirmed in writing thereafter.

## ARTICLE VII - CONTENTS OF REQUESTS

- (1) A request shall contain such information as the Requested State requires to execute the request, including:
  - (a) the name of the competent authority conducting the investigation or proceedings to which the request relates;
  - (b) a description of the nature of the investigation or proceedings including a statement setting out the relevant facts and laws;
  - (c) except in cases of requests for service of documents, a description of the essential acts or omissions or matters alleged or sought to be ascertained;
  - (d) the purpose for which the request is made and the nature of the assistance sought;
  - (e) details of any particular procedure or requirement that the Requesting State wishes to be followed;
  - (f) specification of any time limit within which compliance with the request is desired; and
  - (g) any special requirement for confidentiality and the reasons therefor.
- (2) Requests for assistance may also, to the extent necessary, contain the following information:
  - (a) the identity, nationality and location of the person or persons who are the subject of the investigation or proceedings;
  - (b) a statement as to whether sworn or affirmed evidence or statements are required;
  - (c) a description of any information, statements or evidence sought;