

PART IV: FINAL PROVISIONS**ARTICLE 20****Compatibility with Other Obligations**

This Treaty shall not derogate from obligations subsisting between the Contracting Parties whether pursuant to other treaties, arrangements or otherwise, or prevent the Contracting Parties from providing or continuing to provide assistance to each other pursuant to other treaties, arrangements or otherwise.

ARTICLE 21**Scope of Application**

This Treaty shall apply to any requests presented after its entry into force even if the relevant acts or omissions occurred before that date.

ARTICLE 22**Consultations**

The Contracting Parties shall consult promptly, at the request of either Party, concerning the interpretation and the application of this Treaty.