

PART I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1

OBLIGATION TO GRANT MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

- (1) The Contracting Parties shall, in accordance with this Treaty, grant each other the widest measure of mutual assistance in criminal matters.
- (2) Mutual assistance in criminal matters shall be any assistance given by the Requested State in respect of investigations or proceedings conducted in the Requesting State relating to offenses created by legislation in force in that State and whose suppression falls within the jurisdiction of its judicial authorities.
- (3) Assistance shall include:
 - (a) location of persons and objects, including their identification;
 - (b) service of documents, including documents seeking the attendance of persons;
 - (c) providing of information, documents and other records, including extracts of criminal records, judicial records and government records;
 - (d) delivery of property, including lending of exhibits;
 - (e) taking of evidence and obtaining statements from persons;
 - (f) search and seizure;
 - (g) making detained persons and others available to give evidence or assist investigations;
 - (h) measures to locate, restrain and forfeit the proceeds of crime; and
 - (i) other assistance consistent with the objects of this Treaty.

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 incompatible with 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.