

**TREATY**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**  
**AND**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE**  
**REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**  
**ON MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE**  
**IN CRIMINAL MATTERS**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO;**

**DESIRING** to improve the effectiveness of both countries in the investigation, prosecution and suppression of crime through cooperation and mutual legal assistance in criminal matters;

**HAVE AGREED** as follows:

**PART I - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**ARTICLE 1**

**Obligation to Provide Mutual Legal Assistance**

1. The Contracting Parties shall, in accordance with this Treaty, provide each other with the widest measure of mutual legal assistance in criminal matters.
2. Mutual legal assistance is any assistance given by the Requested State in respect of investigations or proceedings in the Requesting State in a criminal matter, irrespective of whether the assistance is sought or to be provided by a court or some other authority.
3. Criminal matters mean, for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago investigations or proceedings relating to any offence contrary to the law of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and, for Canada, investigations or proceedings relating to any offence created by Parliament or by the legislature of a province.
4. Criminal matters include investigations or proceedings relating to offenses concerning taxation, duties and customs.
5. Assistance includes:
  - (a) locating and identifying persons and objects;
  - (b) serving documents, including documents seeking the attendance of persons;