(d)   providing objects, including lending exhibits;

(e)   search and seizure;

(f)   taking evidence and obtaining statements;

(g)   authorizing the presence of persons from the Requesting State at the execution of requests;

(h)   making detained persons available to give evidence or assist in investigations;

(i)   facilitating the appearance of witnesses or the conduct of investigations;

(j)   taking measures to locate, restrain and forfeit the proceeds of crime;

(k)   providing 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, unless prohibited by that law, in the manner specified by the Requesting State.

2.   Upon request, the Requested State shall inform the Requesting State of the date and place of execution of the request for assistance.

3.   The Requested State shall provide the Requesting State with bank records requested that may be subject to banking secrecy, to the same extent and under the same conditions as those under which such documents could be obtained by its own law enforcement or judicial authorities.

ARTICLE 3

Refusal or Postponement of Assistance

1.   Assistance may be refused if:

(a)   in the opinion of the Requested State, execution of the request would impair its sovereignty, security, public order, essential public interest, or prejudice the safety of any person;

(b)   in the opinion of the Requested State, the request relates to a military offence, or

(c)   in the opinion of the Requested State, the request pertains to a political offence.

2.   Assistance may be postponed by the Requested State if execution of the request would interfere with an ongoing investigation or prosecution in the Requested State.

3.   The Requested State shall promptly inform the Requesting State of a decision of the Requested State not to comply in whole or in part with a request for assistance, or to postpone execution, and shall give reasons for that decision.