- 4. The competent authorities of the Contracting States shall endeavour to resolve by mutual agreement any difficulties or doubts arising as to the interpretation or application of the Convention. In particular, the competent authorities of the Contracting State may consult together to endeavour to agree:
  - to the same attribution of profits to a resident of a Contracting State and its permanent establishment situated in the other Contracting State;
  - b) to the same allocation of income between a resident of a Contracting State and any associated person provided for in Article 9.
- 5. The competent authorities of the Contracting States may consult together for the elimination of double taxation in cases not provided for in the Convention.

## ARTICLE 24

## **Exchange of Information**

- 1. The competent authorities of the Contracting States shall exchange such information as is foreseeably relevant for carrying out the provisions of this Convention or to the administration or enforcement of the domestic laws concerning taxes of every kind and description imposed on behalf of the Contracting States insofar as the taxation thereunder is not contrary to the Convention. In the case of Finland, such exchange of information also covers taxes imposed on behalf of its local authorities. The exchange of information is not restricted by Articles 1 and 2.
- 2. Any information received under paragraph 1 by a Contracting State shall be treated as secret in the same manner as information obtained under the domestic laws of that State and shall be disclosed only to persons or authorities (including courts and administrative bodies) concerned with the assessment or collection of, the enforcement or prosecution in respect of, the determination of appeals in relation to, the taxes referred to in paragraph 1, or the oversight of the above. Such persons or authorities shall use the information only for such purposes. They may disclose the information in public court proceedings or in judicial decisions.