

TREATY  
BETWEEN  
CANADA

AND

THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY  
ON MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE

IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY,

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

HAVE AGREED, on the basis of the principles of national sovereignty and equality of rights and mutual benefits, to conclude a Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty, as follows:

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 for the purpose of paragraph 1 shall be any assistance given by the Requested State in respect of investigations or proceedings in the Requesting State in a criminal matter.
3. Criminal matters for the purpose of paragraph 1 mean, for the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, investigations and proceedings relating to any conduct defined as a crime by criminal law, and, for Canada, investigations or proceedings relating to any offence created by a law of Parliament which may be prosecuted by indictment.
4. Assistance shall be provided without regard to whether the conduct which is the subject of investigation, prosecution or proceedings in the Requesting State would constitute an offence under the laws of the Requested State, except in cases provided for in Articles 12 and 13. Nevertheless, the Requested State, in the latter cases, may authorize assistance to the extent permitted by its laws.