- 5. Assistance shall include:
 - a) taking of evidence and obtaining of statements of persons;
 - provision of information, documents and other records, including criminal records, judicial records and government records;
 - c) location of persons and objects, including their identification;
 - d) search and seizure;
 - e) delivery of property, including lending of exhibits;
 - making detained persons and others available to give evidence or assist investigations;
 - g) service of documents, including documents seeking the attendance of persons;
 - h) measures to locate, restrain and secure the confiscation of 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 prohibited by that law, in the manner requested by the Requesting State.
- 2. The Requested State shall not decline execution of a request on the ground of bank secrecy.

ARTICLE 3

Refusal Or Postponement of Assistance

- 1. Assistance may be refused if the request does not meet the legal requirements for execution in the Requested State or, in the opinion of the Requested State, the execution of the request would impair its sovereignty, security, public order or similar essential public interest, prejudice the safety of any person or be unreasonable on other grounds.
- 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.