

- (2) The central authority for Canada shall be the Minister of Justice or the officials designated by that Minister; the central authority for Belgium shall be the Minister of Justice or that Minister's representative or delegate.

ARTICLE 16

CONFIDENTIALITY

- (1) The Requested State may require that information or evidence furnished or the source of such information or evidence be kept confidential or that its disclosure or use be subject to such terms and conditions as it may specify.
- (2) The Requesting State shall notify the Requested State of the extent to which it can comply with the requirements of the Requested State. The Requested State shall then determine whether to refuse or defer execution of the request for assistance.
- (3) The Requested State shall, to the extent requested, keep confidential a request, its contents, supporting documents and any action taken pursuant to the request, except to the extent necessary to execute it.
- (4) If it is impossible to execute a request without compromising the confidentiality requirements of the Requesting State, the Requested State shall notify the Requesting State and the latter shall decide whether or not to withdraw its request.

ARTICLE 17

LIMITATION OF USE OF INFORMATION

The Requesting State shall not disclose or use information or evidence furnished for purposes other than those stated in the request without the prior consent of the central authority of the Requested State.

ARTICLE 18

AUTHENTICATION

Evidence, documents and information transmitted pursuant to this Treaty shall not require any form of authentication, save as is specified in Article 6.

ARTICLE 19

LANGUAGE

Requests and any supporting documents shall be accompanied by a translation into one of the official languages of the Requested State.