ARTICLE 14

Confidentiality

- (1) 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 or where the disclosure is specifically authorized by the Requesting State in accordance with any terms and conditions it may specify.
- (2) Subject to paragraph 1 of this Article, if the request cannot be executed without breaching the confidentiality requirements stated in the request, the Requested State shall so inform the Requesting State which shall then determine the extent to which it wishes the request to be executed.

ARTICLE 15

Information from Judicial Records

Upon request, a Contracting Party shall, through the channel established in Article 12 paragraph 1, communicate extracts from, and information relating to, judicial records to the same extent that these may be made available to its own competent authorities in a like case.

ARTICLE 16

Certification and Authentication

A request for assistance and the supporting documents, as well as documents or other evidence transmitted in response to such a request, shall not require certification or authentication, save as is specified in Article 5.

ARTICLE 17

Language

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