Article 6

1. Unless otherwise agreed between the Central Authorities of the Parties, the requested Party shall pay all costs related to the execution of a request, except for the fees of an expert witness, the costs of translation, interpretation and transcription, and the allowances and expenses related to travel of persons pursuant to Articles 13 and 14. Such fees, costs, allowances and expenses shall be paid by the requesting Party.

2. If it becomes apparent that expenses of an extraordinary nature are required to execute a request, the Central Authorities of the Parties shall consult to determine the conditions under which the request will be executed.

Article 7

1. The requesting Party shall not use any testimony, statements or items provided under this Agreement other than in the investigation, prosecution or other proceeding described in a request without prior consent of the Central Authority of the requested Party.

2. The Central Authority of the requested Party may request that testimony, statements or items provided under this Agreement be kept confidential or be used only subject to other conditions it may specify. If the requesting Party agrees to such confidentiality or accepts such conditions, it shall comply with them.

Article 8

1. The Central Authority of the requested Party may request that the requesting Party transport and maintain items provided under this Agreement in accordance with the conditions specified by the Central Authority of the requested Party, including the conditions deemed necessary to protect third-party interests in the items to be transferred.

2. The Central Authority of the requested Party may request that the requesting Party return any items provided under this Agreement in accordance with the conditions specified by the Central Authority of the requested Party, after such items have been used for the purpose described in a request.

3. The requesting Party shall comply with a request made pursuant to paragraph 1 or 2. When such a request has been made, the requesting Party shall not examine the items without the prior consent of the Central Authority of the requested Party if the examination impairs or could impair the item.

Article 9

1. The requested Party shall obtain testimony, statements or items. In obtaining testimony or items, the requested Party shall employ compulsory measures, including search and seizure, if such measures are necessary and the request includes information justifying those measures under the laws of the requested Party.

2. The requested Party shall make its best efforts to facilitate the presence of such persons as specified in a request for obtaining testimony, statements or items during the execution of the request, and to allow such persons to question the person from whom testimony, statements or items are sought. In the event that such direct questioning is not permitted, such persons shall be allowed to submit questions to be posed to the person from whom testimony, statements or items are sought.

3. (1) If a person, from whom testimony, statements or items are sought pursuant to this Article, asserts a claim of immunity, incapacity or privilege under the laws of the requesting Party, testimony, statements or items shall nevertheless be obtained.

(2) In cases where testimony, statements or items are obtained in accordance with sub-paragraph (1), they shall be provided, together with the claim referred to in that sub-paragraph, to the Central Authority of the requesting Party for resolution of the claim by the competent authorities of the requesting Party.

Article 10

1. The requested Party shall examine persons, items or places. The requested Party shall, subject to its laws, employ compulsory measures in order to do so, if such measures are necessary and the request includes information justifying those measures.

2. The requested Party shall make its best efforts to facilitate the presence of such persons as specified in a request for examining persons, items or places during the execution of a request.