3 The request under paragraph 1 shall include:

a the date on which the request was issued and the identity and contact details of the competent authority issuing the request;

b the domain name about which information is sought and a detailed list of the information sought, including the particular data elements;

c a statement that the request is issued pursuant to this Protocol, that the need for the information arises because of its relevance to a specific criminal investigation or proceeding and that the information will only be used for that specific criminal investigation or proceeding; and

d the time frame within which and the manner in which to disclose the information and any other special procedural instructions.

4 If acceptable to the entity, a Party may submit a request under paragraph 1 in electronic form. Appropriate levels of security and authentication may be required.

5 In the event of non-co-operation by an entity described in paragraph 1, a requesting Party may request that the entity give a reason why it is not disclosing the information sought. The requesting Party may seek consultation with the Party in which the entity is located, with a view to determining available measures to obtain the information.

6 Each Party shall, at the time of signature of this Protocol or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval, or at any other time, communicate to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe the authority designated for the purpose of consultation under paragraph 5.

7 The Secretary General of the Council of Europe shall set up and keep updated a register of authorities designated by the Parties under paragraph 6. Each Party shall ensure that the details that it has provided for the register are correct at all times.

Article 7 – Disclosure of subscriber information

1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to empower its competent authorities to issue an order to be submitted directly to a service provider in the territory of another Party, in order to obtain the disclosure of specified, stored subscriber information in that service provider's possession or control, where the subscriber information is needed for the issuing Party's specific criminal investigations or proceedings.

2 a Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary for a service provider in its territory to disclose subscriber information in response to an order under paragraph 1.

b At the time of signature of this Protocol or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval, a Party may – with respect to orders issued to service providers in its territory – make the following declaration: "The order under Article 7, paragraph 1, must be issued by, or under the supervision of, a prosecutor or other judicial authority, or otherwise be issued under independent supervision".

3 The order under paragraph 1 shall specify:

a the issuing authority and date issued;

b a statement that the order is issued pursuant to this Protocol;

c the name and address of the service provider(s) to be served;

d the offence(s) that is/are the subject of the criminal investigation or proceeding;

e the authority seeking the specific subscriber information, if not the issuing authority; and

f a detailed description of the specific subscriber information sought.

4 The order under paragraph 1 shall be accompanied by the following supplemental information:

a the domestic legal grounds that empower the authority to issue the order;

b a reference to legal provisions and applicable penalties for the offence being investigated or prosecuted;

c the contact information of the authority to which the service provider shall return the subscriber information, from which it can request further information, or to which it shall otherwise respond;

d the time frame within which and the manner in which to return the subscriber information;

e whether preservation of the data has already been sought, including the date of preservation and any applicable reference number;

f any special procedural instructions;

g if applicable, a statement that simultaneous notification has been made pursuant to paragraph 5; and

h any other information that may assist in obtaining disclosure of the subscriber information.

5 a A Party may, at the time of signature of this Protocol or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval, and at any other time, notify the Secretary General of the Council of Europe that, when an order is issued under paragraph 1 to a service provider in its territory, the Party requires, in every case or in identified circumstances, simultaneous notification of the order, the supplemental information and a summary of the facts related to the investigation or proceeding.

b Whether or not a Party requires notification under paragraph 5.a, it may require the service provider to consult the Party's authorities in identified circumstances prior to disclosure.