SLOVAK REPUBLIC – national procedures for mutual legal assistance in criminal matters

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States Parties are requested to fill in this table with the necessary information and return it to the Secretariat of the PC-OC. The information contained in this table should be updated on a yearly basis.

The Central Authority (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available) responsible for mutual legal assistance:

Within the meaning of Article 15, paragraph 6 of the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, the letters rogatory relating to a criminal matter shall be addressed to the General Prosecution of the Slovak Republic before the case is brought before a court and to the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic after it has been brought before a court. (Declaration of the Slovak Republic)

Requests referred to in Article 11 of the Convention shall be addressed to the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic.
- Request referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1, and information under Article 21, paragraph 1, of the Convention shall be addressed to the General Prosecutor's Office of the Slovak Republic.

Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic

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e-mail: inter.coop@genpro.gov.sk

If different from the Central Authority, the authority to which the request should be sent (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available):

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Channels of communication for the request for mutual legal assistance (directly, through diplomatic channels or other):

The authority responsible for receiving MLA is Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic or General Prosecutor's Office of the Slovak Republic. Incoming or outgoing requests can also be transmitted through INTERPOL.

Means of communication (eg. by post, fax, e-mail ¹):	The competent authorities of the Slovak Republic shall commence the execution of a request/ letter rogatory sent by facsimile or other means of electronic communication if the request/ letter rogatory is urgent and its authenticity is undisputed. The requesting authority subsequently has to submits the original of the request/ letter rogatory within the period specified by the requested authority.
Language requirements:	The Slovak Republic invites the other Contracting Parties to present their requests and supporting documents which are not drawn in either Slovak or one of the official languages of the Council of Europe together with a translation into one of these languages. (Declaration of the Slovak Republic)
Double criminality requirement, if applicable:	The execution of letters rogatory for search or seizure of property is subject to conditions that the offence motivating the letters rogatory is punishable under both the law of the requesting Party and the law of the Slovak Republic and the execution of the letters rogatory is consistent with the law of the Slovak Republic.
Limitation of use of evidence obtained:	The evidence obtained as a result of the letters rogatory cannot be used, without consent of executing authority of the Slovak Republic, for any other purpose/proceedings than specified in the request.
Other particularly relevant information (e.g. documentation required for special types of assistance):	The request for a legal assistance shall contain a precise description of the required act of assistance, a description of the facts of the offence which provides the basis for a request, the legal denomination of the offence together with a verbatim wording of the pertinent legal provisions, the personal data of the accused or, as the case may be, of the victim or the witnesses if their examination is requested, as well as further details required for the proper execution of the requested legal assistance. The request shall contain the details of the requesting authority, the file number, the date of the request and it shall bear the signature of the responsible officer and applicable seal of the requesting authority. The service of a summons on an accused person who is in the territory of the Slovak Republic shall be transmitted to the respective authorities of the Slovak Republic at least 30 days before the date set for appearance. (Declaration of the Slovak Republic)

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Please indicate if encryption or electronic signature is required.

Links to national legislation,	
national guides on procedure:	
Parties to the Second Additional	
Protocol: Link to database with	
contact details of competent	
authorities for the purpose of direct	
transmission of MLA requests	
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