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**EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS**

**(CDPC)**

**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS**

**ON THE OPERATION OF EUROPEAN CONVENTIONS**

**ON CO-OPERATION IN CRIMINAL MATTERS**

**(PC-OC)**

**Information provided by Costa Rica**

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### **INFORMATION NOTE**

Costa Rica has concern in regards to the application of the Treaty Transfer on sentenced persons due to the financial crisis. Sometimes, transfer take too long due to either budget problems from the administrative State to afford the expenses for travel or, because inmates are asked to cover the expenses for their travel<sup>1</sup>.

A special budget to transfer foreign inmates, has been allocated in Costa Rica if some particular criteria are met such as age of the person, women with children, minors, illness, lack of budget from the administration country to transfer the inmate promptly.

Costa Rica would like to take advantage of the meeting of the Committee of experts on the Operation of European Conventions in the Penal Field (PC-OC) to share the option Costa Rica offers. For those of you, who would like to have more information on this effort, please feel free to let us know in order to arrange a protocol for the transfer and reception of the sentence persons.