

Communications from central authorities regarding working and emergency measures as a result of the health crisis caused by COVID-19

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Algeria	 Algeria has not adopted extraordinary measures but there are telephone and fax numbers available for coordination with the Central Authority of Algeria. The telephone and fax numbers are: +213 233 835 98 +213 233 835 66 +213 233 835 66 +213 233 835 67 If necessary the email address will be provided by UNODC: carine.giraldou@un.org; huisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org
Benin	• Benin has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u> ; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u> ; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>).
Burkina Faso	 Burkina Faso has not adopted extraordinary measures but all judicial cooperation requests can be sent by email at secretariat.general@justice.gov.bf The WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC can also assist if necessary, please contact (karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org; or luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org)
Cabo Verde	 Judicial cooperation requests can be sent by using ordinary means but it is also possible to send the requests by email to: <u>autoridade.central@pgr.gov.cv</u> There are also other email addresses available that will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u>; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u>; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>) *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Chad	 Chad has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u>; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org; or luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org). *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Côte d'Ivoire	• Côte d'Ivoire has not adopted extraordinary measures but advanced copies requests can be addressed to the following email address <u>dacp.justice.ci@gmail.com</u> , physical copies must be sent later via diplomatic channels. The WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC can also assist if necessary by contacting (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u> ; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u> ; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>)

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Egypt	 In principle all cooperation requests must be submitted through formal channels. However, the International Cooperation, Judgements' Enforcement and Prisoners' Care Department at the Egyptian Prosecutor General's Office may be contacted by email for coordination, informal consultations or to explore possible exceptions: icooperation@ppo.gov.eg According to national laws and the Egyptian Prosecutor General's decree, the above department has jurisdiction to receive and execute all requests for cooperation in criminal matters
Gambia	 All judicial cooperation requests must be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org; or hisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org) All outgoing requests will be sent electronically, only if necessary, paper documents will be sent.
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Ghana	• The judicial cooperation requests can be sent by email. It is not necessary to send hard copies. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u> ; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u> ; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>)
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Guinea	 Even if officially Guinea has not adopted exceptional measures, requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u>; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>). *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Proceedings Official Comparison (WACAP)
<u> </u>	Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Guinea- Bissau	• Even if officially Guinea-Bissau has not adopted exceptional measures, requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u> ; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u> ; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>).
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Liberia	Liberia has not adopted exceptional measures but requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org;</u> or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>). *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and
	Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Mali	 Mali has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email to the Directeur <i>National des affaires Judiciaires et du Sceau</i>. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org; or husfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org)

	Paper documents should be sent later.
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and
Mauritania	 Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP). Even if officially Mauritania has not adopted exceptional measures, requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u>; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u>; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>).
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Mauritius	 The Central Authority (Attorney General Office) may be contacted on +2302034740 for coordination. The Attorney General's Office is operating with a limited staff (on a roster basis) All court cases have been postponed. The Courts are only exceptionally hearing cases, by videoconference or other technical means.
Morocco	 The Moroccan Ministry of Justice informed that three email addresses have been established to enable the telematic exchange of urgent communications. For all mutual legal assistance: <u>dapg.rogatoire@justice.gov.ma</u> For extradition and official denunciation: <u>dapg.extradition@justice.gov.ma</u> For transfer of sentenced persons: <u>dapg.transferement@justice.gov.ma</u>
Nigeria	 Nigeria has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email to: <u>cau.hagf@justice.gov.ng</u> Physical copies must be sent later via diplomatic channels *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Niger	 Niger has not adopted exceptional measures, but advanced copies can be sent by email or through INTERPOL. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u>; <u>coumbamathurin.diop@un.org</u>; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>) *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Senegal	 Senegal has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email to: <u>dacgmj@justice.gouv.sn</u> It is also possible to send requests by any means capable of producing a written record *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Sierra Leone	• Sierra Leone has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC (karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org ; or luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org).
	*information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and

	Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
Seychelles	 Request must be sent by email to: <u>attorneygeneral@gov.sc</u> Copy to: davidesparon@gov.sc and nissathompson@gov.sc
Тодо	Togo has not adopted exceptional measures, but requests can be sent by email to the email address of the central authority of Togo: <u>dapg@justice.gouv.tg</u> ; The WACAP Coordination Team/UNODC can also assist if necessary, please contact (karen.kramer@un.org; coumbamathurin.diop@un.org ; or <u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>) *information provided by the West African Network of Central Authorities and Prosecutors against Organized Crime (WACAP).
United Republic of Tanzania	 Emails for coordination can be sent to: <u>dpp@nps.go.tz</u> Other email addresses will be provided by UNODC (<u>karen.kramer@un.org</u> or <u>huisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>) There are also telephone and fax numbers available. Telephone: +255 26 2963634. Fax: +255 26 2963635

More information in the next pages.

	II Asia
Country	Emergency Measures
China	 The central authority of China has not taken special measures regarding receiving foreign requests. However, due to current global emergency, central authorities are strongly encouraged to send MLA requests by email, with scanned formal documents as attachments to: <u>cnca@moj.gov.cn</u> For the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong: the extradition and MLA requests may be sent to: <u>ild@doj.gov.hk</u>
Kazakhstan	 All MLA, extradition and transfer of sentenced persons requests must be sent in PDF by email to: icd@prokuror.kz ; 7172557@prokuror.kz ; 7172520@prokuror.kz ; and 7172993@prokuror.kz Paper originals can be requested, if necessary. The execution of extraditions and transfer of sentenced persons is suspended *information provided by the Judicial Cooperation Network for Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network)
Kyrgyz Republic	 Requests on MLA and extradition must be sent to following e-mail addresses: gpo542790@gmail.com_and to another email address that will be provided by the CASC Coordination Team / UNODC (https://uisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; maruf.khakimov@un.org The extradition and transfer of convicted persons has been temporarily suspended. *information provided by the Judicial Cooperation Network for Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network)
Lebanon	 Extradition may not be possible due to the health crisis. In exceptional cases (e.g. terrorism) the surrender could be executed when the requesting State demands it. The persons sought for extradition will be released and prevented from travelling unless the requesting State demands not to release them due to the seriousness of the crime. MLA requests should be submitted through the usual diplomatic channels. Due to the measures taken by the Lebanese authorities to fight against the spread of COVID-19, requests will be executed according to the country's available capabilities. For information to coordinate with the Lebanese Central Authority, please contact UNODC for relevant email addresses: carine.giraldou@un.org; luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org
Myanmar	 MLA requests can be sent directly to the central authority if the requesting State has a bilateral agreement or MoU on MLA with the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. In this case, the requests must be sent to the Division against Transnational Crime, Myanmar Police Force by email: naypyitaw.ncb@gmail.com In the case that there is not any bilateral agreement or MoU, MLA requests must be sent through diplomatic channels.

Singapore	 All incoming MLA requests, where permissible, must be sent by email to AGC_CentralAuthority@agc.gov.sg. The email should be sent from a Central Authority's official email account (and not a public domain email such as gmail or yahoo). The Central Authority of Singapore is not able to respond to email sent from public domain email account.
Thailand	 Thailand has not adopted extraordinary measures for MLA request. To speed up the process, the Central Authority of Thailand recommends sending advanced copies via email to: <u>inter@ago.go.th</u>. The original documents of request must follow.
Uzbekistan	 Requests must be sent by email to mpo@prokuratura.uz , or bys fax to (+99871) 233-48-35. Sending and receiving post mail in our Uzbekistan is temporarily suspended. *information provided by the Judicial Cooperation Network for Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network)

More information in the next pages.

	III Eastern Europe
Country	Emergency Measures
Albania	 Information on how to proceed and the possibility of sending cooperation requests by email can be coordinated with the Albanian Central Authority by email to: gentjana.kalia@pp.gov.al *information provided by the Council of Europe and also by the South East European Prosecutors Advisory Group (SEEPAG)
Armenia	• For MLA requests and extradition, made on the PRE-TRIAL stage of investigation, in case of difficulties with paper-based transmission, consultations must be conducted with the Prosecutor General Office, before submission of the Request. Email for consultations: info@prosecutor.am, international@prosecutor.am
	*information provided by the Judicial Cooperation Network of Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network)
Azerbaijan	 Requests must be sent by email. Addresses can be obtained by sending a request to the PC-OC Secretariat (<u>DGI-PC-OC@cce.int</u>) or to the CASC Network Coordination Team/UNODC (<u>luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org</u>; <u>maruf.khakimov@un.org</u>). Information can also be provided be sending an email to: <u>international@prosecutor.gov.az</u> Extradition and transfer of sentenced persons may be suspended
	*information provided by the Council of Europe and by the Judicial Cooperation Network of Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network)
Bosnia and Herzegovina	 Requests must be sent by email. Addresses can be obtained by sending a request to the PC-OC Secretariat: <u>DGI-PC-OC@coe.int</u>
	*information provided by the Council of Europe
Croatia	 Requests can be sent by email to: <u>europska.unija@pravosudje.hr</u> *information provided by the Council of Europe
Czechia	 MLA requests must be sent by email to: mot@msp.justice.cz (cases in trail stage) or mo@nsz.brn.justice.cz (cases in pre-trial stage) Extradition and transfer of sentenced persons are generally suspended
Georgia	 Mutual legal assistance requests, confiscation of criminal assets and all related formal communications can be submitted by email to: <u>mla@pog.gov.ge</u> Extradition requests and any follow up documents can be sent by email to: <u>extraditions@pog.gov.ge</u>

Hungary	 Queries related to MLA, extraditions and confiscation of criminal assets should be sent to: international@pog.gov.ge All documents related to enforcement and transfer of sentenced persons should be directed to ksarajishvili@justice.gov.ge *information provided by the Council of Europe and by the Judicial Cooperation Network of Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus (CASC Network) Requests can be sent by email to: nemzb@im.gov.hu It is possible to use also the fax to communicate with the Central Authority of Hungary. From an e-mail box the message can be sent to the fax to by using the email address nemzb-efax@im.gov.hu From a "traditional" fax, it will be necessary to dial the following number: +3615503945 (Attention: this fax number is the new one that replaced the old one from 1st January 2021)
Latvia	 MLA pre-trial requests must be sent by email in PDF format to: pasts@vp.gov.lv; (State Police) and darbdep@lrp.gov.lv (Prosecutor General Office) MLA related to trial stage must be sent by email in PDF format to: central.authority@tm.gov.lv (Ministry of Justice) Processing of hardcopy requests received by post might be interrupted or delayed. Outgoing mutual legal assistance requests from Latvia will be sent electronically. Extradition and transfer of sentenced persons to Latvia are generally suspended. The execution of requests that require physical contact is equally suspended. In urgent cases solutions must be coordinated by email with Central Authorities mentioned above.
	*information provided by the Council of Europe
Montenegro	 All communications must be sent electronically, addresses can be obtained by sending a request to the PC-OC Secretariat: <u>DGI-PC-OC@coe.int</u> *information provided by the Council of Europe
North Macedonia	 There are no more extraordinary measures. MLA requests can be sent by email, but the originals must follow. Advance copies can be sent to: <u>cabinet@mjustice.gov.mk</u>. Other e-mail addresses for coordination and follow up can be obtained by sending a request to the PC-OC Secretariat: <u>DGI-PC-OC@coe.int</u> The airports are not working in its full capacity - so surrenders are limited and for the moment the priority is given to extraditions. Where it is possible surrender by car, transfers of sentenced persons are also possible.
	*information provided by the Council of Europe
Republic of Moldova	 MLA and extradition requests must be sent by email to: <u>mla@procuratura.md</u> or fax to: + (373)22221335. For issues on international legal cooperation the central authority can be contacted by emailing: <u>int-coop@procuratura.md</u>

	*information provided by the South East European Prosecutors Advisory Group (SEEPAG)
Romania	• Requests must be sent by e-mail to: <u>dreptinternational@just.ro</u>
	*information provided by the European Judicial Network
Russia	 Russian Federation has not adopted extraordinary measures. Scanned copies of the requests for mutual legal assistance in criminal cases can be addressed by email to: transgprf@genproc.gov.ru Hard copies must be sent via due channels
Serbia	 In addition to paper documents an electronic copy of an MLA request must be sent by email. In urgent cases the request can be sent exclusively by email. The email address will be provided by the SEEPAG Secretariat (secretariat@seepag.info) or by UNODC (email: huisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org)
Slovenia	 *information provided by the South East European Prosecutors Advisory Group (SEEPAG) Requests must be sent by email to: gp.mp@gov.si
	*information provided by the Council of Europe
Ukraine	 MLA and extradition requests can be sent by email. The email address can be obtained by sending a request to the PC-OC Secretariat: <u>DGI-PC-OC@coe.int;</u> Communications referring to transfer of persons and enforcement of sentences can be sent by email to: <u>itex@minjust.gov.ua;</u> communications for all general questions can be sent to:<u>ilad@minjust.gov.ua</u> The requests received via e-mail in electronic form (the scanned copies) are processed, but their outcomes will be sent after receiving paper copies During the health crisis, the letters of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine are signed with the qualified electronic signature, which, in accordance with the Law of Ukraine The factual surrender of persons in transfer and extradition procedures is suspended
	*information provided by the Council of Europe

More information in the next pages.

	IV Latin American and Caribbean States
Country	Emergency Measures
Argentina	 Urgent international judicial cooperation requests can be transmitted by electronic means to <u>cooperacionpenal@mrecic.gov.ar</u>, copying <u>aif@mrecic.gov.ar</u> If an urgent request is sent by post it is recommended to send an email to: <u>aif@mrecic.gov.ar</u> *information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@
Brazil	 MLA requests can be sent by electronic means. For coordination, the following email addresses can be used: <u>marconi.melo@mj.gov.br</u> (Coordenador-Geral de Cooperação Jurídica Internacional em Matéria Penal); <u>renato.coimbra@mj.gov.br<mailto:renato.coimbra@mj.gov.br< u=""> (Coordenador de Análise de Pedidos de Cooperação Jurídica Internacional em Matéria Penal)</mailto:renato.coimbra@mj.gov.br<></u> Extradition and transfer of sentenced persons requests can be sent by electronic means. For coordination, the following email addresses can be used: <u>rodrigo.sagastume@mj.gov.br</u> (Coordenador de Extradição e Transferência de Pessoas Condenadas)
Chile	 *information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@ Mutual legal assistance requests may be sent electronically to the following email addresses: <u>uciex@minpublico.cl</u>; with copy to <u>asegoviaa@minpublico.cl</u>. It is not necessary that a physical copy of the request is transmitted later. Central Authorities are encouraged to conclude bilateral agreements with Chile to transmit electronically MLA requests at any event, with or without pandemic.
Ecuador	 MLA requests must be sent by email to: cooperacion@fiscalia.gob.ec and asistenciaspenales@fiscalia.gob.ec; and it is recommended to send an email to the Director of Cooperation and International Affairs of the Prosecutor General Office. The email address will be provided by the Secretariat of IberRed (secretaria.general@iberred.org) or by UNODC (luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org) Extradition requests must be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the Secretariat of IberRed (secretaria.general@iberred.org) or by UNODC (luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org) Extradition requests must be sent by email. The email address will be provided by the Secretariat of IberRed (secretaria.general@iberred.org) or by UNODC (luisfrancisco.dejorgemesas@un.org; karen.kramer@un.org)
Paraguay	 *information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@ Advance copies of MLA and extradition requests can be sent to by email to: <u>dai.ac@ministeriopublico.gov.py</u>, copying <u>mdoldan@ministeriopublico.gov.py</u>. Due to the lockdown, the priority will be given to new requests and urgent communications, follow up information could be delayed or not provided

Peru	 *information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@ Urgent MLA requests can be sent by email to: <u>ucjieperu@mpfn.gob.pe</u>, copying <u>rgala@mpfn.gob.pe</u> Urgent extradition requests can be sent by email to: <u>ucjieperu@mpfn.gob.pe</u>, copying <u>rgala@mpfn.gob.pe</u> It is also recommended to send an email to the IberRed contact points whose email will be provided by the IberRed Secretariat (secretaria.general@iberred.org) For urgent inquiries you can also call (00511) 4284349
	*information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@
Uruguay	• Urgent requests must be sent by email to: cooperacionpenal@mec.gub.uy
	*information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@

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Country	Emergency Measures
Andorra	 All judicial cooperation requests must be sent by email to <u>cooperacio_internacional_mji@govern.ad</u> All outgoing requests will be sent electronically, only if necessary, pape documents will be sent. *information provided by IBER-Red, transmitted through Iber@
Austria	 International judicial cooperation requests must be sent by email to team.s@bmj.gv.at Referring to extradition, surrender can be suspended due to limitations of mobility. Surrenders of persons to Austria are only possible if the perso concerned has a medical certificate not older than four days showing negative Covid-19-test. If escorting officers come to Austrian territory this requirement applies also to them. Transfer of sentenced persons is now possible if the transiting person an escorting officer have a medical certificate not older than four day showing a negative Covid-19-test.
	*information provided by the Council of Europe
Belgium	 MLA, extradition and transfer of prisoners requests may be sent by email to: <u>centralauthority.iccm@just.fgov.be</u> If the authentication of the document is not guaranteed, the original being sent later by post may be requested. All requests are dealt with by the Central authority as usual. Due to the current sanitary crisis, however there might be some delays with the execution by the law enforcement authorities. Effective surrenders of person are possible, but remain limited due to existing travel limitations and prohibitions.
Canada	 *information provided by the European Judicial Network MLA and extradition requests must be sent by email to: Cdncentralauthority@justice.gc.ca
Finland	 Requests must be scanned and sent by email to: <u>central.authority@om.fi</u> *information provided by the Council of Europe
France	 The requests can be sent by email to: <u>liste.entraide.dacg-bepi@justice.gouv.fr</u>

Greece	• Greece has not adopted extraordinary measures, but for coordination with the Greek Central Authority and sending advance copies, an email can be sent to: <u>minjustice.penalaffairs@justice.gov.gr</u>
Italy	• Requests must be sent in pdf format by email to: <u>cooperation.dginternazionale.dag@giustizia.it</u> (new email address provided by the Italian Central Authority).
Liechtenstein	 MLA requests can be sent by email to: <u>rechtshilfe@gerichte.li</u> For coordination in urgent cases, the Central Authority can be contacted with the assistance of the Secretariat of the Judicial Cooperation Network. The email addresses for coordination in urgent cases will be provided by the EJN Secretariat (<u>ejn@eurojust.europa.eu</u>). *information provided by the European Judicial Network
Luxembourg	 A copy of the MLA request in urgent cases can be sent by email to: <u>SecSepi@justice.etat.lu</u> The execution of transfers of sentenced persons will be, in principle, suspended but communications referring to the transfer of sentenced persons must be addressed to the following e-mail address: <u>Pgexpg@justice.etat.lu</u>
Netherlands	 *information provided by the European Judicial Network Requests must be sent by email to: <u>airs@minjenv.nl</u> Referring to the conventions where diplomatic channels are required, the communication of the Central Authority of The Netherlands says: "We are of course aware that most MLA-treaties set requirements for communication by regular (diplomatic) mail. For the time being however, we will process incoming requests communicated by electronic mail, while the original hard copy versions of these requests will be registered only after normal operations have resumed".
Norway	 *information provided by the Council of Europe MLA requests may be sent by e-mail to: postmottak@jd.dep.no; the request must be forwarded by post as soon as the situation allows for it. Extradition requests may be sent by e-mail to the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, serviceavdelingen@mfa.no; with a copy to the Norwegian Ministry of Justice and Public Security to postmottak@jd.dep.no; the original request with enclosures must be forwarded by post as soon as the situation allows for it.
Portugal	 *information provided by the Council of Europe Requests must be sent by email to: <u>correiopgr@pgr.pt</u> or <u>mail@gddc.pt</u>
Slovenia	• Requests must be sent by email to: <u>gp.mp@gov.si</u>

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Spain	 MLA requests in serious and urgent cases must be sent by electronic means to: rogatoriaspenal@mjusticia.es Extradition Requests must be sent to: extradiciones@mjusticia.es. Outgoing requests from Spain will be sent electronically. Urgent requests of transfer of sentenced persons based on humanitarian or other extraordinary matters will be processed provided they are sent to: sgcjitraslados@mjusticia.es
Switze rland	 Switzerland has not adopted exceptional measures. Advanced copies of requests can be sent by email, affirming that a paper copy is to follow. Advance copies can be sent to: <u>irh@bj.admin.ch</u>
United Kingdom	 MLA and extradition requests must be sent by email to: <u>UKCA-ILOR@homeoffice.gov.uk</u> Prisoner Transfers have been suspended but prisoner transfer casework continues to take place. Communications must be sent by email to: <u>Crossbordertransfers@justice.gov.uk</u> For HM Revenue & Customs Central Authority, requests must be submitted by email only (<u>mla@hmrc.gov.uk</u>). Colleagues who have sent requests by post are invited to resubmit them via email to avoid delay and we ask that the email makes clear that it is a resubmission. Where it is not possible to submit a request electronically please contact via the email address above to discuss. Requests to the Crown Office Scotland (Central Authority for Scotland in relation to all requests for extradition/European Arrest Warrants) must be sent by email to: to <u>COICU@copfs.gov.uk</u>. Also, to receive an update on any outstanding requests, this email address must be used.
	*information provided by the Council of Europe OTHER STATES
Country	Emergency Measures
Australia	 Australia's preference is to receive MLA requests electronically via its central inbox — iccca@ag.gov.au. This is Australia's preference irrespective of the COVID-19 pandemic. After assessing incoming requests Australia advises the requesting state of any delays or complications in providing assistance on account of COVID-19. Except in exceptional circumstances, Australia is unlikely to process requests that require or request international travel. This will be reconsidered as international travel restrictions ease.

New Zealand	 New Zealand already accepted requests sent by email prior to the pandemic and continue to do so. Emails can be sent to the general email address <u>criminal@crownlaw.govt.nz</u> If a request is genuinely urgent, it is best to specify it is urgent in the subject line.
United States of America	 MLA: MLA requests should be sent by email to OIA.MLA@usdoj.gov. The Department of Justice's Office of International Affairs (OIA), as the U.S. Central Authority for MLA, will execute requests to the extent possible during the health crisis. (Note: Other MLA-related correspondence should be sent via email directly to the assigned OIA Attorney and/or International Affairs Specialist.) Prisoner Transfer: Prisoner transfer requests and communications should be emailed to <u>OIA.IPTU@usdoj.gov</u>. Any communications that cannot be transmitted electronically should be mailed directly to the International Prisoner Transfer Unit in OIA as the U.S. Central Authority for International Prisoner Transfer matters. Extradition: Extradition requests continue to be received as before the current health crisis. Where the pertinent treaty permits, requests for provisional arrest may be sent by email directly to OIA. Other provisional arrest requests and complete extradition requests must be sent via diplomatic channels. During the current health crisis, when a person is to be surrendered to the United States from a partner nation, OIA will request additional information from its foreign counterparts regarding the person's health. When a person is to be surrendered by the United States to a partner nation, OIA will seek special authorization for the entry of escorts into the United States.