## REPUBLIC OF KOREA

## **National Procedures for Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters**

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The information contained in this table should be updated on a yearly basis.

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If different from the Central Authority, the authority to which the request should be sent:	N/A
Channels of communication for the request of MLA:  (through diplomatic channels or other):  In case of urgency (Art 15.2) direct transmission (link to contact details of competent authorities) or other	Diplomatic Channels; or  Direct Contact between the Central Authorities
Means of communication (eg. by post, fax, e-mail <sup>1</sup> ):	Post
Language requirements:	Korean
	English translations are also acceptable.
Double criminality requirement, if applicable:	Korea has reserved the right to require double criminality in requests seeking search and seizure of property when applying the Convention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please indicate if encryption or electronic signature is required.

Limitation of use of evidence obtained:	The Minister of Justice may request the Minister of Foreign Affairs to determine matters to be observed by the Requesting State with respect to the use, return, maintenance of secrets, etc. of such materials, and to ask the Requesting State for a guarantee of the fulfilment thereof.
Other relevant information: (e.g. documentation required for special types of assistance)	When a request seeks the examination of a witness, transfer of objects or testimony in the Requesting State, etc., the Requesting State is required to give an explanation that it is required for purposes of investigation or trial.
Links to national legislation, national guides on procedure:	Korean Legislation  www.law.go.kr/eng/engMain.do  Information on the Ministry of Justice  www.moj.go.kr/HP/ENG/index.do
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Parties to the Second Additional Protocol:  Channels of communication for direct transmission requests  (Link to database with contact details of competent authorities for the purpose of direct transmission of MLA requests)	N/A