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Cybercrime legislation

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Chapter I – Use of terms	
Article 1 – "Computer system", "computer data", "service provider", "traffic data": For the purposes of this Convention: a "computer system" means any device or a group of interconnected or related devices, one or more of which, pursuant to a program, performs automatic processing of data; b "computer data" means any representation of facts, information or concepts in a form suitable for processing in a computer system, including a program suitable to cause a computer system to perform a function; c "service provider" means: i any public or private entity that provides to users of its service the ability to communicate by means of a computer system, and ii any other entity that processes or stores computer data on behalf of such communication service or users of such service; d "traffic data" means any computer data relating to a communication by means of a computer system, generated by a computer system that formed a part in the chain of communication, indicating the communication's origin, destination, route, time, date, size, duration, or type of underlying service	
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Article 2 – Illegal access Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be	Accès et maintien frauduleux dans un système informatique (article 199 bis du Code pénal).

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necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, the access to the whole or any part of a computer system without right. A Party may require that the offence be committed by infringing security measures, with the intent of obtaining computer data or other dishonest intent, or in relation to a computer system that is connected to another computer system.	
Article 3 – Illegal interception Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, the interception without right, made by technical means, of non-public transmissions of computer data to, from or within a computer system, including electromagnetic emissions from a computer system carrying such computer data. A Party may require that the offence be committed with dishonest intent, or in relation to a computer system that is connected to another computer system.	
Article 4 – Data interference 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, the damaging, deletion, deterioration, alteration or suppression of computer data without right. 2 A Party may reserve the right to require that the conduct described in paragraph 1 result in serious harm.	Altération ou destruction du fonctionnement de données (y compris non intentionnelle) suite à un accès ou maintien frauduleux dans le système qui les traite (article 199 bis du Code pénal). Altération des données que contient un programme ou de son mode de traitement ou de transmission par introduction frauduleuse de données dans le système (article 199 bis du Code pénal).
Article 5 – System interference Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, the serious hindering without right of the functioning of a computer system by inputting, transmitting, damaging, deleting, deteriorating, altering or suppressing computer data	Altération ou destruction intentionnelle du fonctionnement d'un traitement automatisé, après y avoir accédé ou s'y être maintenu frauduleusement (article 199 bis du Code pénal).
Article 6 – Misuse of devices 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when	

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- accordance with the above Articles 2 through 5;
 ii a computer password, access code, or similar data by which the whole or any part of a computer system is capable of being accessed, with intent that it be used for the purpose of committing any of the offences established in Articles 2 through 5; and
- b the possession of an item referred to in paragraphs a.i or ii above, with intent that it be used for the purpose of committing any of the offences established in Articles 2 through 5. A Party may require by law that a number of such items be possessed before criminal liability attaches.
- 2 This article shall not be interpreted as imposing criminal liability where the production, sale, procurement for use, import, distribution or otherwise making available or possession referred to in paragraph 1 of this article is not for the purpose of committing an offence established in accordance with Articles 2 through 5 of this Convention, such as for the authorised testing or protection of a computer system.
- 3 Each Party may reserve the right not to apply paragraph 1 of this article, provided that the reservation does not concern the sale, distribution or otherwise making available of the items referred to in paragraph 1 a.ii of this article.

Title 2 – Computer-related offences

Article 7 - Computer-related forgery

Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally and without right, the input, alteration, deletion, or suppression of computer data, resulting in inauthentic data with the intent that it be considered or acted upon for legal purposes as if it were authentic, regardless whether or not the data is directly readable and intelligible. A Party may require an intent to defraud, or similar dishonest intent, before

Modification du contenu de documents électroniques originairement véritables (punissable en cas de préjudice, une intention frauduleuse n'étant pas requise) et utilisation intentionnelle des faux ainsi obtenus (article 199 ter du Code pénal).

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criminal lia	ability attaches.	
Each Party necessary committed	- Computer-related fraud y shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when intentionally and without right, the causing of a loss of property person by:	
а	any input, alteration, deletion or suppression of computer data;	
b	any interference with the functioning of a computer system,	
	ulent or dishonest intent of procuring, without right, an economic oneself or for another person.	
	Title 3 - Content-related offences	
1 Each Pa necessary	rty shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when intentionally and without right, the following conduct: producing child pornography for the purpose of its distribution through a computer system; offering or making available child pornography through a computer system; distributing or transmitting child pornography through a computer system; procuring child pornography through a computer system; procuring child pornography through a computer system for oneself or for another person; possessing child pornography in a computer system or on a computer-data storage medium.	
	purpose of paragraph 1 above, the term "child pornography" shall rnographic material that visually depicts: a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct; a person appearing to be a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct;	

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- c realistic images representing a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct
- 3 For the purpose of paragraph 2 above, the term "minor" shall include all persons under 18 years of age. A Party may, however, require a lower agelimit, which shall be not less than 16 years.
- 4 Each Party may reserve the right not to apply, in whole or in part, paragraphs 1, sub-paragraphs d. and e, and 2, sub-paragraphs b. and c.

Title 4 - Offences related to infringements of copyright and related rights

Article 10 - Offences related to infringements of copyright and related rights

- 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law the infringement of copyright, as defined under the law of that Party, pursuant to the obligations it has undertaken under the Paris Act of 24 July 1971 revising the Bern Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights and the WIPO Copyright Treaty, with the exception of any moral rights conferred by such conventions, where such acts are committed wilfully, on a commercial scale and by means of a computer system.
- 2 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law the infringement of related rights, as defined under the law of that Party, pursuant to the obligations it has undertaken under the International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations (Rome Convention), the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, with the exception of any moral rights conferred by such conventions, where such acts are committed wilfully, on a commercial scale and by means of a computer system.
- 3 A Party may reserve the right not to impose criminal liability under paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article in limited circumstances, provided that other effective remedies are available and that such reservation does not derogate from the Party's international obligations set forth in the

Infractions liées aux atteintes à la propriété intellectuelle et aux droits connexes (particulièrement articles 50 à 55 de la loi n° 94-36 du 24 février 1994 relative à la propriété littéraire et artistique, trois autres lois adoptées en 2001 règlementant la protection des marques de fabrique, de commerce et de service ; la protection des dessins et modèles industriels ; et la protection des schémas de configuration des circuits intégrés).

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international instruments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article.	
Title 5 – Ancillary	liability and sanctions
Article 11 – Attempt and aiding or abetting 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, aiding or abetting the commission of any of the offences established in accordance with Articles 2 through 10 of the present Convention with intent that such offence be committed. 2 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally, an attempt to commit any of the offences established in accordance with Articles 3 through 5, 7, 8, and 9.1.a and c. of this Convention. 3 Each Party may reserve the right not to apply, in whole or in part, paragraph 2 of this article.	
Article 12 – Corporate liability 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to ensure that legal persons can be held liable for a criminal offence established in accordance with this Convention, committed for their benefit by any natural person, acting either individually or as part of an organ of the legal person, who has a leading position within it, based on: a a power of representation of the legal person; b an authority to take decisions on behalf of the legal person; c an authority to exercise control within the legal person. 2 In addition to the cases already provided for in paragraph 1 of this article, each Party shall take the measures necessary to ensure that a legal person can be held liable where the lack of supervision or control by a natural person referred to in paragraph 1 has made possible the commission of a criminal offence established in accordance with this Convention for the benefit of that legal person by a natural person acting under its authority. 3 Subject to the legal principles of the Party, the liability of a legal person may be criminal, civil or administrative. 4 Such liability shall be without prejudice to the criminal liability of the natural persons who have committed the offence.	

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Article 13 – Sanctions and measures 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to ensure that the criminal offences established in accordance with Articles 2 through 11 are punishable by effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions, which include deprivation of liberty. 2 Each Party shall ensure that legal persons held liable in accordance with Article 12 shall be subject to effective, proportionate and dissuasive criminal or non-criminal sanctions or measures, including monetary sanctions.	
Section 2 – Procedural law	
Article 14 – Scope of procedural provisions 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish the powers and procedures provided for in this section for the purpose of specific criminal investigations or proceedings. 2 Except as specifically provided otherwise in Article 21, each Party shall apply the powers and procedures referred to in paragraph 1 of this article to: a the criminal offences established in accordance with Articles 2 through 11 of this Convention; b other criminal offences committed by means of a computer system; and c the collection of evidence in electronic form of a criminal offence.	
3 a Each Party may reserve the right to apply the measures referred to in Article 20 only to offences or categories of offences specified in the reservation, provided that the range of such offences or categories of offences is not more restricted than the range of offences to which it applies the measures referred to in Article 21. Each Party shall consider restricting such a reservation to enable the broadest application of the measure referred to in Article 20. b Where a Party, due to limitations in its legislation in force at the time of the adoption of the present Convention, is not able to apply the measures referred to in Articles 20 and 21 to communications being transmitted within a computer system of a service provider, which system:	

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- is being operated for the benefit of a closed group of users, and
- does not employ public communications networks and is not connected with another computer system, whether public or private,

that Party may reserve the right not to apply these measures to such communications. Each Party shall consider restricting such a reservation to enable the broadest application of the measures referred to in Articles 20 and 21

Article 15 - Conditions and safeguards

- 1 Each Party shall ensure that the establishment, implementation and application of the powers and procedures provided for in this Section are subject to conditions and safeguards provided for under its domestic law, which shall provide for the adequate protection of human rights and En effet, des garanties (pour la plupart non spécifiques à la cybercriminalité) liberties, including rights arising pursuant to obligations it has undertaken under the 1950 Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, the 1966 United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and other applicable international human rights instruments, and which shall incorporate the principle of proportionality.
- 2 Such conditions and safeguards shall, as appropriate in view of the nature of the procedure or power concerned, inter alia, include judicial or other independent supervision, grounds justifying application, and limitation of the scope and the duration of such power or procedure.
- 3 To the extent that it is consistent with the public interest, in particular the sound administration of justice, each Party shall consider the impact of the powers and procedures in this section upon the rights, responsibilities and legitimate interests of third parties.

Malgré une affirmation prononcée, dans la Constitution et de récentes lois, de la volonté tunisienne de protéger et renforcer la protection des droits fondamentaux, les dispositions de droit substantiel et de droit procédural présentent d'importantes faiblesses en la matière.

sont prévues par la Constitution du 25 janvier 2014, le Code pénal, le Code des télécommunications et le Code de procédure pénal.

En particulier, la Constitution de 2014 garantit aux citoyens les droits et libertés suivants:

- Les« libertés et les droits individuels et collectifs » (article 21).
- La « vie privée et le secret des correspondances, des communications et des données personnelles » (article 24).
- La présomption d'innocence (article 27).
- La personnalité de la peine (article 28).
- La liberté physique (article 29).
- Les libertés d'opinion, de pensée, d'expression, d'information et de publication (article 31).
- Le droit à l'information et le droit à l'accès à l'information, notamment aux réseaux de communication (article 32).
- Les libertés académiques et la liberté de recherche (article 33).
- Le droit de propriété, y compris intellectuelle (article 41).
- Le droit à la culture (article 42).
- Le droit à un procès équitable et à un double degré de juridiction (article 108)

Par ailleurs, la Constitution prévoit que le législateur est compétent pour intervenir par loi organique sur les sujets concernant les libertés et les droits de

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l'Homme (article 65), que la profession d'avocat est libre et indépendante (article 105) et que le pouvoir judiciaire (et plus largement juridictionnel) est garant de ces droits et libertés (article 102), les magistrats étant indépendants - article 102) et nommés par décret présidentiel sur avis conforme du Conseil supérieur de la magistrature (article 106), lequel est composé aux deux tiers de magistrats et d'experts indépendants et présidé par un magistrat (article 112).

En outre, une Instance des droits de l'Homme « contrôle le respect des libertés et des droits de l'Homme et œuvre à leur renforcement » (article 128).

Toutefois, l'effectivité de ces garanties paraît menacée par des faiblesses pouvant être notées à plusieurs égards.

En premier lieu, les incriminations en lien avec l'informatique ne requièrent pas systématiquement une commission intentionnelle et sans droit, entraînant un risque de répression de comportements légitimes, et leurs termes ne sont pas définis, comme le requiert l'article 1 de la Convention de Budapest dans un objectif de sécurité juridique.

Par ailleurs, plusieurs dispositions ne semblent pas suffisamment garantir la protection des droits fondamentaux des citoyens (principalement au respect de la vie privée et de la liberté d'expression) contre des ingérences non nécessaires ou disproportionnées de la puissance publique.

En particulier, l'étendue des pouvoirs de l'Agence Technique des Télécommunications en termes de recueil d'information sur les utilisateurs d'Internet est incertaine : l'article 2 du décret n° 2013-4506 du 6 novembre 2013, relatif à la création de l'agence technique des télécommunications énonce notamment que : « L'agence technique des télécommunications assure l'appui technique aux investigations judiciaires dans les crimes des systèmes d'information et de la communication, elle est à cet effet chargée des missions suivantes: [1] la réception et le traitement des ordres d'investigation et de constatation des crimes des systèmes d'information et de la communication issus du pouvoir judiciaire conformément à la législation en vigueur ; [...] [2] l'exploitation des systèmes nationaux de contrôle du trafic des télécommunications dans le cadre du respect des traités internationales relatifs aux droits de l'Homme et des cadres législatifs relatifs à la protection des

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données personnelles » [13].

Par ailleurs, les obligations des fournisseurs d'accès à Internet en termes de collecte et de divulgation à la puissance publique de données de trafic et de contenu des communications sont susceptibles de concerner toute information et toute personne dans un nombre indéfini d'objectifs, l'ensemble étant associé à un régime d'autorisation (sous peine de sanction pénale - article 87 du Code des télécommunications) pour la fourniture d'accès au réseau (articles 5 et 31 (quater) du Code des télécommunications) et la fourniture de « services basés sur le protocole Internet » (article 2 du décret n° 2014-4773, qui se réfère à l'article 2§29 du Code des télécommunications, lequel ne définit pas cette notion de « services basés sur le protocole Internet »), et à une interdiction du chiffrement - assortie de sanctions pénales - lorsque ce dernier ne répond pas aux exigences du décret n°2001-2727 du 20 novembre 2001 fixant les conditions et les procédures d'utilisation des moyens ou des services de cryptage à travers les réseaux de télécommunications, ainsi que l'exercice des activités y afférentes.

Enfin, la procédure d'interception du contenu des communications ne semble pas être soumise au contrôle d'un magistrat indépendant (article 54 de la loi organique n° 2015-26 du 7 août 2015 relative à la lutte contre le terrorisme et la répression du blanchiment d'argent, semblant être applicable à toute infraction pénale), et les données ainsi recueillies échappent « à la législation en vigueur dans le domaine de la protection des données personnelles » lorsqu'elles donnent lieu à des poursuites pénales (article 56, dernier alinéa, de la loi organique n° 2015-26 du 7 août 2015 relative à la lutte contre le terrorisme et la répression du blanchiment d'argent, semblant être applicable à toute infraction pénale : « Si les données collectées de l'interception ne donnent pas lieux à des poursuites pénales, elles bénéficient des dispositions de protection, conformément à la législation en vigueur dans le domaine de la protection des données personnelles »).

Article 16 - Expedited preservation of stored computer data

1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to enable its competent authorities to order or similarly obtain the expeditious preservation of specified computer data, including traffic data, that has been stored by means of a computer system, in particular where there are grounds to believe that the computer data is particularly

Aucune disposition ne règlemente spécifiquement la collecte, la conservation et la divulgation de données informatiques stockées ou de trafic. Deux décrets en date de 2008 et 2014 imposent uniquement (mais très largement) aux fournisseurs de services internet et opérateurs de communications électroniques de « pouvoir répondre aux besoins de la défense nationale et de la sécurité et de la sûreté publiques conformément à la législation et à la réglementation en

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Article 18 - Production order

1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be

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necessary to empower its competent authorities to order: a a person in its territory to submit specified computer data in that person's possession or control, which is stored in a computer system or a computer-data storage medium; and b a service provider offering its services in the territory of the Party to submit subscriber information relating to such services in that service provider's possession or control. 2 The powers and procedures referred to in this article shall be subject to Articles 14 and 15. 3 For the purpose of this article, the term "subscriber information" means any information contained in the form of computer data or any other form that is held by a service provider, relating to subscribers of its services other than traffic or content data and by which can be established: a the type of communication service used, the technical provisions taken thereto and the period of service; b the subscriber's identity, postal or geographic address, telephone and other access number, billing and payment information, available on the basis of the service agreement or arrangement; c any other information on the site of the installation of communication equipment, available on the basis of the service agreement or arrangement.	
Article 19 – Search and seizure of stored computer data 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to empower its competent authorities to search or similarly access: a a computer system or part of it and computer data stored therein; and b a computer-data storage medium in which computer data may be stored in its territory. 2 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to ensure that where its authorities search or similarly access a specific computer system or part of it, pursuant to paragraph 1.a, and have grounds to believe that the data sought is stored in another computer system or part of it in its territory, and such data is lawfully accessible from	Les enquêtes de même que la perquisition, la saisie et l'extradition sont régies par les dispositions générales du code de procédure pénale, applicables à toute infraction.

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or available to the initial system, the authorities shall be able to expeditiously extend the search or similar accessing to the other system. 3 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to empower its competent authorities to seize or similarly secure computer data accessed according to paragraphs 1 or 2. These measures shall include the power to: a seize or similarly secure a computer system or part of it or a computer-data storage medium; b make and retain a copy of those computer data; c maintain the integrity of the relevant stored computer data; d render inaccessible or remove those computer data in the accessed computer system. 4 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to empower its competent authorities to order any person who has knowledge about the functioning of the computer system or measures applied to protect the computer data therein to provide, as is reasonable, the necessary information, to enable the undertaking of the measures referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2. 5 The powers and procedures referred to in this article shall be subject to Articles 14 and 15.	
Article 20 – Real-time collection of traffic data 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to empower its competent authorities to: a collect or record through the application of technical means on the territory of that Party, and b compel a service provider, within its existing technical capability: i to collect or record through the application of technical means on the territory of that Party; or ii to co-operate and assist the competent authorities in the collection or recording of, traffic data, in real-time, associated with specified communications in its territory transmitted by means of a computer system. 2 Where a Party, due to the established principles of its domestic legal	
system, cannot adopt the measures referred to in paragraph 1.a, it may	

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instead adopt legislative and other measures as may be necessary to ensure the real-time collection or recording of traffic data associated with specified communications transmitted in its territory, through the application of technical means on that territory.

- 3 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to oblige a service provider to keep confidential the fact of the execution of any power provided for in this article and any information relating to it.
- 4 The powers and procedures referred to in this article shall be subject to Articles 14 and 15.

Article 21 - Interception of content data

- 1 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary, in relation to a range of serious offences to be determined by domestic law, to empower its competent authorities to:
- a collect or record through the application of technical means on the territory of that Party, and
- b compel a service provider, within its existing technical capability:
- ito collect or record through the application of technical means on the territory of that Party, or

ii to co-operate and assist the competent authorities in the collection or recording of, content data, in real-time, of specified communications in its territory transmitted by means of a computer system.

- 2 Where a Party, due to the established principles of its domestic legal system, cannot adopt the measures referred to in paragraph 1.a, it may instead adopt legislative and other measures as may be necessary to ensure the real-time collection or recording of content data on specified communications in its territory through the application of technical means on that territory.
- 3 Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to oblige a service provider to keep confidential the fact of the execution of any power provided for in this article and any information relating to it.
- 4 The powers and procedures referred to in this article shall be subject to Articles 14 and 15.

En matière d'interceptions relative aux contenus, il n'existe pas de disposition relative à la cybercriminalité de manière générale, mais les articles 54 à 56 de la loi organique n° 2015-26 du 7 août 2015 relative à la lutte contre le terrorisme et la répression du blanchiment d'argent apparaissent suffisamment généraux pour pouvoir être appliqués dans le cadre de toute enquête. Ces articles permettent, « lorsque la nécessité de l'enquête l'exige », de « recourir à l'interception des communications des prévenus », laquelle comprend « les données des flux, l'écoute, ou l'accès au leur contenu, leur reproduction, leur enregistrement », sous le contrôle du procureur de la République ou du juge d'instruction (art. 54).

BUDAPEST CONVENTION DOMESTIC LEGISLATION Section 3 - Jurisdiction Article 22 - Jurisdiction Each Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish jurisdiction over any offence established in accordance with Articles 2 through 11 of this Convention, when the offence is committed: in its territory; or а on board a ship flying the flag of that Party; or on board an aircraft registered under the laws of that Party; or by one of its nationals, if the offence is punishable under criminal law where it was committed or if the offence is committed outside the territorial jurisdiction of any State. Each Party may reserve the right not to apply or to apply only in specific cases or conditions the jurisdiction rules laid down in paragraphs 1.b through 1.d of this article or any part thereof. Each Party shall adopt such measures as may be necessary to establish jurisdiction over the offences referred to in Article 24, paragraph 1, of this Convention, in cases where an alleged offender is present in its territory and it does not extradite him or her to another Party, solely on the basis of his or her nationality, after a request for extradition. This Convention does not exclude any criminal jurisdiction exercised by a Party in accordance with its domestic law. When more than one Party claims jurisdiction over an alleged offence established in accordance with this Convention, the Parties involved shall, where appropriate, consult with a view to determining the most appropriate iurisdiction for prosecution. Chapter III - International co-operation Article 24 - Extradition

1 a This article applies to extradition between Parties for the criminal offences established in accordance with Articles 2 through 11 of this Convention, provided that they are punishable under the laws of both Parties concerned by deprivation of liberty for a maximum period of at least one year, or by a more severe penalty.

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- b Where a different minimum penalty is to be applied under an arrangement agreed on the basis of uniform or reciprocal legislation or an extradition treaty, including the European Convention on Extradition (ETS No. 24), applicable between two or more parties, the minimum penalty provided for under such arrangement or treaty shall apply.
- 2 The criminal offences described in paragraph 1 of this article shall be deemed to be included as extraditable offences in any extradition treaty existing between or among the Parties. The Parties undertake to include such offences as extraditable offences in any extradition treaty to be concluded between or among them.
- 3 If a Party that makes extradition conditional on the existence of a treaty receives a request for extradition from another Party with which it does not have an extradition treaty, it may consider this Convention as the legal basis for extradition with respect to any criminal offence referred to in paragraph 1 of this article.
- 4 Parties that do not make extradition conditional on the existence of a treaty shall recognise the criminal offences referred to in paragraph 1 of this article as extraditable offences between themselves.
- 5 Extradition shall be subject to the conditions provided for by the law of the requested Party or by applicable extradition treaties, including the grounds on which the requested Party may refuse extradition.
- 6 If extradition for a criminal offence referred to in paragraph 1 of this article is refused solely on the basis of the nationality of the person sought, or because the requested Party deems that it has jurisdiction over the offence, the requested Party shall submit the case at the request of the requesting Party to its competent authorities for the purpose of prosecution and shall report the final outcome to the requesting Party in due course. Those authorities shall take their decision and conduct their investigations and proceedings in the same manner as for any other offence of a comparable nature under the law of that Party.
- 7 a Each Party shall, at the time of signature or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, communicate to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe the name and address of each authority responsible for making or receiving requests for extradition or provisional arrest in the absence of a treaty.
- b The Secretary General of the Council of Europe shall set up and keep

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updated a register of authorities so designated by the Parties. Each Party shall ensure	
Article 25 – General principles relating to mutual assistance 1 The Parties shall afford one another mutual assistance to the widest extent possible for the purpose of investigations or proceedings concerning criminal offences related to computer systems and data, or for the collection of evidence in electronic form of a criminal offence. 2 Each Party shall also adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to carry out the obligations set forth in Articles 27 through 35. 3 Each Party may, in urgent circumstances, make requests for mutual assistance or communications related thereto by expedited means of communication, including fax or e-mail, to the extent that such means provide appropriate levels of security and authentication (including the use of encryption, where necessary), with formal confirmation to follow, where required by the requested Party. The requested Party shall accept and respond to the request by any such expedited means of communication.	triangulaire en matière des TIC d'une manière générale y compris la cyber- sécurité. Coopération bilatérale : la Tunisie a singé un nombre considérable de mémorandums d'entente et d'accords dans le domaine des technologies de la communication et de l'information avec plusieurs pays (les conventions judiciaires liant la Tunisie sont disponibles à cette adresse : http://www.e- justice.tn/index.php?id=98). Coopération multilatérale : la Tunisie a signé le 13 décembre 2000 et ratifié le 19 juin 2003 la Convention des Nations Unies contre la criminalité transnationale organisée ; elle est également partie à la Convention arabe de lutte contre les crimes liés aux technologies de l'information.
4 Except as otherwise specifically provided in articles in this chapter, mutual assistance shall be subject to the conditions provided for by the law of the requested Party or by applicable mutual assistance treaties, including the grounds on which the requested Party may refuse co-operation. The requested Party shall not exercise the right to refuse mutual assistance in	Le bureau de la coopération internationale et des relations extérieures, auprès du Ministère des technologies de la communication et de l'économie

- relation to the offences referred to in Articles 2 through 11 solely on the Centraliser et suivre les questions ayant trait à la coopération internationale et aux relations extérieures intéressant le département et les organismes sous-tutelle.
 - Coordonner avec les autres départements et les organismes internationaux et régionaux en ce qui concerne les questions entrant dans les attributions du ministère.
 - Représenter le département dans toutes les négociations bilatérales, régionales et multilatérales dans le domaine des technologies de l'information et de la communication.
 - Représenter le département aux commissions mixtes bilatérales et aux sessions et conférences multilatérales.
 - promouvoir les relations avec les organismes internationaux et
- offence. 5 Where, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, the requested Party is permitted to make mutual assistance conditional upon the existence of dual criminality, that condition shall be deemed fulfilled, irrespective of whether its laws place the offence within the same category of offence or denominate the offence by the same terminology as the requesting Party, if the conduct underlying the offence for which assistance is sought is a criminal offence under its laws.

ground that the request concerns an offence which it considers a fiscal

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	régionaux s'occupant des questions entrant dans les domaines d'attribution du
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Article 26 - Spontaneous information	
1 A Party may, within the limits of its domestic law and without price	
request, forward to another Party information obtained within the framewor	
of its own investigations when it considers that the disclosure of sucinformation might assist the receiving Party in initiating or carrying or	
investigations or proceedings concerning criminal offences established	
accordance with this Convention or might lead to a request for co-operation	
by that Party under this chapter.	
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2 Prior to providing such information, the providing Party may request that	t l
be kept confidential or only used subject to conditions. If the receiving Part	
cannot comply with such request, it shall notify the providing Party, which	
shall then determine whether the information should nevertheless be	
provided. If the receiving Party accepts the information subject to the	
conditions, it shall be bound by them.	
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Article 27 - Procedures pertaining to mutual assistance requests i	n
the absence of applicable international agreements	
$\boldsymbol{1}$ Where there is no mutual assistance treaty or arrangement on the basis $\boldsymbol{0}$	ıf
uniform or reciprocal legislation in force between the requesting ar	
requested Parties, the provisions of paragraphs 2 through 9 of this artic	
shall apply. The provisions of this article shall not apply where such treat	
arrangement or legislation exists, unless the Parties concerned agree t	0
apply any or all of the remainder of this article in lieu thereof.	
2 a Each Party shall designate a central authority or authoritie	
responsible for sending and answering requests for mutual assistance, the	
execution of such requests or their transmission to the authorities competer	T
for their execution.	
b The central authorities shall communicate directly with each other;	
c Each Party shall, at the time of signature or when depositing i	
instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, communicate to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe the names and addresses	
of the authorities designated in pursuance of this paragraph;	
d The Secretary General of the Council of Europe shall set up and kee	
updated a register of central authorities designated by the Parties. Each	

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Party shall ensure that the details held on the register are correct at all times.

- 3 Mutual assistance requests under this article shall be executed in accordance with the procedures specified by the requesting Party, except where incompatible with the law of the requested Party.
- 4 The requested Party may, in addition to the grounds for refusal established in Article 25, paragraph 4, refuse assistance if:
- a the request concerns an offence which the requested Party considers a political offence or an offence connected with a political offence, or
- b it considers that execution of the request is likely to prejudice its sovereignty, security, *ordre public* or other essential interests.
- 5 The requested Party may postpone action on a request if such action would prejudice criminal investigations or proceedings conducted by its authorities.
- 6 Before refusing or postponing assistance, the requested Party shall, where appropriate after having consulted with the requesting Party, consider whether the request may be granted partially or subject to such conditions as it deems necessary.
- 7 The requested Party shall promptly inform the requesting Party of the outcome of the execution of a request for assistance. Reasons shall be given for any refusal or postponement of the request. The requested Party shall also inform the requesting Party of any reasons that render impossible the execution of the request or are likely to delay it significantly.
- 8 The requesting Party may request that the requested Party keep confidential the fact of any request made under this chapter as well as its subject, except to the extent necessary for its execution. If the requested Party cannot comply with the request for confidentiality, it shall promptly inform the requesting Party, which shall then determine whether the request should nevertheless be executed.
- 9 a In the event of urgency, requests for mutual assistance or communications related thereto may be sent directly by judicial authorities of the requesting Party to such authorities of the requested Party. In any such cases, a copy shall be sent at the same time to the central authority of the requested Party through the central authority of the requesting Party.
- b Any request or communication under this paragraph may be made through the International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol).
- Where a request is made pursuant to sub-paragraph a. of this article

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and the authority is not competent to deal with the request, it shall refer the request to the competent national authority and inform directly the requesting Party that it has done so. d Requests or communications made under this paragraph that do not involve coercive action may be directly transmitted by the competent authorities of the requesting Party to the competent authorities of the requested Party. e Each Party may, at the time of signature or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, inform the Secretary General of the Council of Europe that, for reasons of efficiency, requests made under this paragraph are to be addressed to its central authority.	
Article 28 – Confidentiality and limitation on use 1 When there is no mutual assistance treaty or arrangement on the basis of uniform or reciprocal legislation in force between the requesting and the requested Parties, the provisions of this article shall apply. The provisions of this article shall not apply where such treaty, arrangement or legislation exists, unless the Parties concerned agree to apply any or all of the remainder of this article in lieu thereof. 2 The requested Party may make the supply of information or material in response to a request dependent on the condition that it is: a kept confidential where the request for mutual legal assistance could not be complied with in the absence of such condition, or b not used for investigations or proceedings other than those stated in the request. 3 If the requesting Party cannot comply with a condition referred to in paragraph 2, it shall promptly inform the other Party, which shall then determine whether the information should nevertheless be provided. When the requesting Party accepts the condition, it shall be bound by it. 4 Any Party that supplies information or material subject to a condition referred to in paragraph 2 may require the other Party to explain, in relation to that condition, the use made of such information or material.	
Article 29 – Expedited preservation of stored computer data 1 A Party may request another Party to order or otherwise obtain the expeditious preservation of data stored by means of a computer system,	

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located within the territory of that other Party and in respect of which the requesting Party intends to submit a request for mutual assistance for the search or similar access, seizure or similar securing, or disclosure of the data.

- 2 A request for preservation made under paragraph 1 shall specify:
 - a the authority seeking the preservation;
- b the offence that is the subject of a criminal investigation or proceedings and a brief summary of the related facts;
- c the stored computer data to be preserved and its relationship to the offence;
- d any available information identifying the custodian of the stored computer data or the location of the computer system;
 - e the necessity of the preservation; and
- f that the Party intends to submit a request for mutual assistance for the search or similar access, seizure or similar securing, or disclosure of the stored computer data.
- 3 Upon receiving the request from another Party, the requested Party shall take all appropriate measures to preserve expeditiously the specified data in accordance with its domestic law. For the purposes of responding to a request, dual criminality shall not be required as a condition to providing such preservation.
- A Party that requires dual criminality as a condition for responding to a request for mutual assistance for the search or similar access, seizure or similar securing, or disclosure of stored data may, in respect of offences other than those established in accordance with Articles 2 through 11 of this Convention, reserve the right to refuse the request for preservation under this article in cases where it has reasons to believe that at the time of disclosure the condition of dual criminality cannot be fulfilled.
- In addition, a request for preservation may only be refused if:
- a the request concerns an offence which the requested Party considers a political offence or an offence connected with a political offence, or
- b the requested Party considers that execution of the request is likely to prejudice its sovereignty, security, *ordre public* or other essential interests.
- Where the requested Party believes that preservation will not ensure the future availability of the data or will threaten the confidentiality of or

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otherwise prejudice the requesting Party's investigation, it shall promptly so inform the requesting Party, which shall then determine whether the request should nevertheless be executed. 4 Any preservation effected in response to the request referred to in paragraph 1 shall be for a period not less than sixty days, in order to enable the requesting Party to submit a request for the search or similar access, seizure or similar securing, or disclosure of the data. Following the receipt of such a request, the data shall continue to be preserved pending a decision on that request.	
Article 30 – Expedited disclosure of preserved traffic data 1 Where, in the course of the execution of a request made pursuant to Article 29 to preserve traffic data concerning a specific communication, the requested Party discovers that a service provider in another State was involved in the transmission of the communication, the requested Party shall expeditiously disclose to the requesting Party a sufficient amount of traffic data to identify that service provider and the path through which the communication was transmitted. 2 Disclosure of traffic data under paragraph 1 may only be withheld if: a the request concerns an offence which the requested Party considers a political offence or an offence connected with a political offence; or b the requested Party considers that execution of the request is likely to prejudice its sovereignty, security, ordre public or other essential interests.	
Article 31 – Mutual assistance regarding accessing of stored computer data 1 A Party may request another Party to search or similarly access, seize or similarly secure, and disclose data stored by means of a computer system located within the territory of the requested Party, including data that has been preserved pursuant to Article 29. 2 The requested Party shall respond to the request through the application of international instruments, arrangements and laws referred to in Article 23, and in accordance with other relevant provisions of this chapter. 3 The request shall be responded to on an expedited basis where: a there are grounds to believe that relevant data is particularly vulnerable to loss or modification; or b the instruments, arrangements and laws referred to in paragraph 2	

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otherwise provide for expedited co-operation.	
Article 32 – Trans-border access to stored computer data with consent or where publicly available A Party may, without the authorisation of another Party: a access publicly available (open source) stored computer data, regardless of where the data is located geographically; or b access or receive, through a computer system in its territory, stored computer data located in another Party, if the Party obtains the lawful and voluntary consent of the person who has the lawful authority to disclose the data to the Party through that computer system.	
Article 33 – Mutual assistance in the real-time collection of traffic data 1 The Parties shall provide mutual assistance to each other in the real-time collection of traffic data associated with specified communications in their territory transmitted by means of a computer system. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2, this assistance shall be governed by the conditions and procedures provided for under domestic law. 2 Each Party shall provide such assistance at least with respect to criminal offences for which real-time collection of traffic data would be available in a similar domestic case.	
Article 34 – Mutual assistance regarding the interception of content data The Parties shall provide mutual assistance to each other in the real-time collection or recording of content data of specified communications transmitted by means of a computer system to the extent permitted under their applicable treaties and domestic laws.	
Article 35 – 24/7 Network 1 Each Party shall designate a point of contact available on a twenty-four hour, seven-day-a-week basis, in order to ensure the provision of immediate assistance for the purpose of investigations or proceedings concerning criminal offences related to computer systems and data, or for the collection of evidence in electronic form of a criminal offence. Such assistance shall include facilitating, or, if permitted by its domestic law and practice, directly	

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carrying out the following measures: a the provision of technical advice; b the preservation of data pursuant to Articles 29 and 30; c the collection of evidence, the provision of legal information, and locating of suspects. 2 a A Party's point of contact shall have the capacity to carry out communications with the point of contact of another Party on an expedited basis. b If the point of contact designated by a Party is not part of that Party's authority or authorities responsible for international mutual assistance or extradition, the point of contact shall ensure that it is able to co-ordinate with such authority or authorities on an expedited basis. 3 Each Party shall ensure that trained and equipped personnel are available, in order to facilitate the operation of the network.	
Article 42 – Reservations By a written notification addressed to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, any State may, at the time of signature or when depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, declare that it avails itself of the reservation(s) provided for in Article 4, paragraph 2, Article 6, paragraph 3, Article 9, paragraph 4, Article 10, paragraph 3, Article 11, paragraph 3, Article 14, paragraph 3, Article 22, paragraph 2, Article 29, paragraph 4, and Article 41, paragraph 1. No other reservation may be made.	