# Competent authorities designated by the United Kingdom under Part Three of the Agreement: Law Enforcement and Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters

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Article LAW.SURR.85(1): The authority responsible for the administrative transmission and receipt of arrest warrants as well as for all other official correspondence relating to the administrative transmission and receipt of arrest warrants is:

UK International Crime Bureau

National Crime Agency

Olympic House, Olympic Park, Longbarn Boulevard, Woolston Grange, Warrington, Cheshire WA20XA

Tel. +44 2072388115 - Main UK International Crime Bureau Number

Email: manchester@nca.gov.uk

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(a): The authority responsible for receiving and processing PNR data under Title III (Transfer and processing of passenger name record data (PNR)):

Home Office 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(b): The authority considered as the competent law enforcement authority for the purposes of Title V (Cooperation with Europol) [and a short description of its competences] is:

- a) an authority specified or described in the below list, and
- b) any other authority that has statutory functions for any of the law enforcement purposes specified in Part 3 of the Data Protection Act 2018
- 1. The National Crime Agency

UK Agency responsible for leading the UK's fight to cut Serious and Organised Crime working at the forefront of Law Enforcement, building the best possible intelligence picture of Serious and Organised Crime Threats and pursuing the most serious and dangerous offenders.

2. The Metropolitan Police

Police service for the Greater London area, (excluding City of London) and its 8,6 million residents.

3. British Transport Police

The UK national police force responsible for the railways.

4. The Police for the City of London

The City of London Police is the territorial police force responsible for law enforcement within the City of London, including the Middle and Inner Temples.

5. Regional Police Forces of England and Wales as covered under section 2 of the Police Act 1996

Responsible for law enforcement in England and Wales.

6. The Police Service of Northern Ireland

Responsible for law enforcement in Northern Ireland.

# 7. The Police Service of Scotland

Responsible for law enforcement in Scotland.

# 8. Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs

Department of the UK Government responsible for the collection of taxes, the payment of some forms of state support and the administration of other regulatory regimes including the national minimum wage and the issuance of national insurance numbers.

## 9. Criminal Records Office (ACRO)

The UK national police unit responsible for providing effective and responsible criminal records information services.

# 10. Asset Recovery Office (ARO)

Unit within the National Crime Agency with responsibility for tracing criminal assets and their recovery within the UK.

## 11. UK Immigration Enforcement

A division of the Home Office responsible for enforcing immigration law in the United Kingdom.

### 12. UK Border Force

Border Force is a law-enforcement command within the Home Office, responsible for frontline border control operations at air, sea and rail ports in the United Kingdom.

## 13. Her Majesty's Passport Office (HMPO)

Responsible for issuing UK passport and safeguarding its integrity.

# 14. UK Environment Agency

UK's principal environmental regulator, responsible for protecting and improving UK's environment.

# 15. Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA)

Scotland's principal environmental regulator, responsible for protecting and improving Scotland's environment.

# 16. Sports Betting Intelligence Unit (SBIU) (Gambling commission)

The SBIU is a unit within the Gambling Commission which deals with reports of betting-related corruption.

## 17. Food Standards Agency (FSA)

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) is responsible for food safety and food hygiene in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

# 18. Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulation Authority (MHRA)

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency regulates medicines, medical devices and blood components for transfusion in the UK.

# 19. Financial Conduct Authority (FCA)

The Financial Conduct Authority is the conduct regulator for nearly 60 000 financial services firms and financial markets in the UK and the prudential supervisor for 49 000 firms, setting specific standards for 19 000 firms.

### 20. Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA)

The role of the GLAA is to protect vulnerable and exploited workers. The GLAA investigates reports of worker exploitation and illegal activity such as human trafficking, forced labour and illegal labour provision, as well as offences under the National Minimum Wage and Employment Agencies Acts.

### 21. Serious Fraud Office

The SFO is a specialist prosecuting authority tackling the top level of serious or complex fraud, bribery and corruption. It is part of the UK criminal justice system covering England, Wales and Northern Ireland, but not Scotland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(c): The national contact point designated under Article LAW.EUROPOL.50 (1) (National contact point and liaison officers):

UK Europol National Unit

National Crime Agency. The address is:

Europol National Unit [ENU] and International Liaison Team [ILT]

Intelligence Directorate/UK International Crime Bureau

National Crime Agency

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Email: ENUUKDESK@nca.gov.uk

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(d): The authority considered as the competent authority for the purposes of Title VI (Cooperation with Eurojust) and a short description of its competences:

The Crown Prosecution Service. The address is:

International Justice and Organised Crime Division, Crown Prosecution Service, 102 Petty France, London SW1H 9EA, DX 161330 Westminster 11

International.IJOC@cps.gov.uk

Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service. The address is:

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service 25 Chambers Street Edinburgh EH1 1LA

The Public Prosecution Service Northern Ireland. The address is:

Public Prosecution Service of Northern Ireland Belfast Chambers 93 Chichester Street Belfast BT1 3JR

www.ppsni.gov.uk

and any other United Kingdom public body which is responsible for investigating and/or prosecuting criminal conduct or which acts as a central authority in any jurisdiction of the United Kingdom are competent for the purposes of this part of the Agreement.

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(e): The contact point designated under Article LAW.EUROJUST.65(1) [Contact points to Eurojust], is:

Samantha Shallow

The UK Liaison Prosecutor to Eurojust

Eurojust

Tel. +31 645638694

Samantha.Shallow@homeoffice.gov.uk

Chris Jones, Director The Home Office 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

Tel. +44 2070354848

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(f): The United Kingdom Domestic Correspondent for Terrorism Matters designated under Article LAW.EUROJUST.65 (2) (Contact points to Eurojust) is:

The UK Liaison Prosecutor to Eurojust. The address is:

Samantha Shallow

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Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(g): The authority competent by virtue of domestic law of the United Kingdom to execute an arrest warrant, as referred to in point (c) of Article LAW.SURR.78 (Definitions):

- a) in England and Wales, a District Judge (Magistrates' Courts) designated by the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales after consulting the Lord Chancellor;
- b) in Scotland, the Sheriff of Lothian and Borders;
- c) in Northern Ireland; a county court judge or District Judge (Magistrates' Courts) designated by the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland after consulting the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland.

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(g): The authority competent by virtue of the domestic law of the United Kingdom to issue an arrest warrant, as referred to in point (d) of Article LAW.SURR.78 (Definitions):

The issuing judicial authority will be:

- a) for requests made by England and Wales, a District Judge (Magistrates' Courts); a justice of the peace or a judge entitled to exercise the jurisdiction of the Crown Court;
- b) for Scotland, a sheriff;
- c) for Northern Ireland, a lay magistrate or District Judge (Magistrates' Courts) or a Crown Court judge.

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(h): Article LAW.SURR.103(3) requires States to designate an authority responsible for receiving transit requests and the necessary documents, as well as any other official correspondence relating to transit requests. The authority designated under Article LAW.SURR.103 (3) (Transit) for this purpose for the United Kingdom will be:

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Article LAW.EXINF.122 (Central authorities) provides that each State shall designate one or more central authorities that shall be competent for the exchange of information extracted from the criminal record pursuant to this Title and for the exchanges referred to in Article 22(2) of the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters. Article LAW. OTHER.134.6(i) requires notification of the central authority designated by the United Kingdom. The designated authority for England & Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland for Criminal Records Exchange is:

The Chief Constable of Hampshire Constabulary. The address is:

ACRO
PO Box 481
Fareham
Hampshire
PO14 9FS
UNITED KINGDOM

Article LAW.OTHER.134.6(j): The central authority designated by the United Kingdom under Article LAW.CONFISC.21 (1) (Authorities) for the purposes of the sending, answering and execution of requests, or the transmission of such requests to the authorities competent for their execution, related to the freezing and confiscation of property:

in England & Wales and Northern Ireland:

UK Central Authority Home Office 2nd Floor Peel Building 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

Email address: UKCA-ILOR@homeoffice.gov.uk

for tax matters and fiscal customs matters in England & Wales and Northern Ireland:

Mutual Legal Assistance Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Solicitors Office and Legal Services Room 2E10, 100 Parliament Street London SW1A 2 BQ UNITED KINGDOM

Email address: mla@hmrc.gov.uk

Email address for very urgent cases only: emergencymla@hmrc.gov.uk

For Scotland:

The Lord Advocate Crown Office 25 Chambers Street Edinburgh EH1 1LA

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