

**Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act
(CHAPTER 190A)**

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MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS ACT

(CHAPTER 190A)

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An Act to facilitate the provision and obtaining of international assistance in criminal matters.

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act.

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“ancillary criminal matter” means —

- (a) the restraining of dealing with, or the seizure, forfeiture or confiscation of, property in connection with a Singapore offence or a foreign offence, as the case may be; or
- (b) the obtaining, enforcement or satisfaction of a Singapore confiscation order or a foreign confiscation order, as the case may be;

“appropriate authority”, in relation to a foreign country, means a person or authority whom the Attorney-General is satisfied is authorised under the law of that country —

- (a) in the case of a request by that country to Singapore for assistance in a criminal matter, to make the request; or
- (b) in the case of a request by Singapore to that country for assistance in a criminal matter, to receive the request;

“authorised officer” means —

- (a) the Director, the Deputy Director, any Assistant Director or other officer, of the Central Narcotics Bureau, appointed under section 3(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Act (Cap. 185);
- (b) any special investigator of the Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau appointed under section 3(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act (Cap. 241);