

No. 4679

DENMARK, NORWAY and SWEDEN

**Protocol (with annex) concerning mutual assistance in the
conduct of legal proceedings. Signed at Copenhagen,
on 26 June 1957**

Official texts: Danish, Norwegian and Swedish.

Registered by Denmark on 24 February 1959.

DANEMARK, NORVÈGE et SUÈDE

**Protocole (avec annexe) concernant l'entraide judiciaire.
Signé à Copenhague, le 26 juin 1957**

Textes officiels danois, norvégien et suédois.

Enregistré par le Danemark le 24 février 1959.

[TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION²]

No. 4679. PROTOCOL³ BETWEEN DENMARK, NORWAY
AND SWEDEN, CONCERNING MUTUAL ASSISTANCE
IN THE CONDUCT OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS. SIGNED
AT COPENHAGEN, ON 26 JUNE 1957

The following Protocol has been concluded between the Danish, the Norwegian and the Swedish Governments, on mutual assistance in the conduct of legal proceedings :

Article 1

Requests for the service of documents and for the taking of evidence (to assist legal proceedings) can be submitted by the courts and the prosecuting authorities in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, directly to the authority that is competent to execute the requested action in the territory of another Contracting Party. Each of the Contracting Parties shall inform the other Contracting Parties of the competent authorities in their respective countries.

If the requested action is desired to be executed within a definite time, this should be stated in the request. Documents transmitted for service should be accompanied by the necessary number of duplicate copies.

Article 2

If a request for assistance in legal proceedings is received by another authority than that competent to execute such action, the request shall be forwarded to the proper authority, unless otherwise requested.

Article 3

Costs of assistance in legal proceedings shall be defrayed by the country in which the requested action is executed, though refund can be claimed for the cost of certificates from experts other than certificates concerning blood tests.

¹ Translation provided by the Government of Denmark.

² Traduction transmise par le Gouvernement danois.

³ Came into force on 16 August 1958, in accordance with article 4, the instruments of ratification having been deposited with the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs as follows :

Denmark	5 November	1957
Norway	23 May	1958
Sweden	16 August	1958