Mutual Legal Assistance

Mutual legal assistance is governed principally by the *Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, Chapter 140A* of the laws of Barbados. The legislation is applicable to Commonwealth countries and countries with which Barbados has signed bi-lateral treaties. The Act may also be invoked, under the principle of reciprocity, in respect of any country which is a party to the *1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances*. Requests are made to the Central Authority who is the Attorney-General.