Competent national authorities designated under the United Nations Convention against Corruption (as of 29 November 2019)

The present document provides statistics with regard to the notifications submitted by States parties of the following competent national authorities under the United Nations Convention against Corruption: prevention authorities (pursuant to article 6, paragraph 3 of the Convention); central authorities on mutual legal assistance (pursuant to article 46, paragraph 13 of the Convention); asset recovery focal points (pursuant to resolution 4/4 of the Conference of the States Parties); central authorities on extradition (pursuant to a recommendation by the fifth Open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting on international cooperation); and focal points for international cooperation in the use of civil and administrative proceedings relating to corruption (pursuant to resolution 6/4 of the Conference).

Any new notifications or amendments to the existing notifications of competent national authorities should be sent through an official note verbale and using the prepared templates (to be downloaded from http://www.unodc.org/compauth_uncac/en/index.html) to the Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, 1400 Vienna, Austria or to the email address: uncac@un.org.
1. The secretariat collects official notifications made by States parties of their designated competent national authorities under the United Nations Convention against Corruption, namely:

- **Prevention authorities** that may assist other States parties in developing and implementing specific measures for the prevention of corruption (pursuant to article 6, paragraph 3 of the Convention);

- **Central authorities on mutual legal assistance** that have the responsibility and power to receive requests for mutual legal assistance and either to execute them or to transmit them to the competent authorities for execution (pursuant to article 46, paragraph 13 of the Convention);

- **Asset recovery focal points** that facilitate international cooperation in cases relating to asset recovery (pursuant to resolution 4/4 of the Conference of the States Parties);

- **Central authorities on extradition** that facilitate international cooperation in extradition (pursuant to a recommendation by the fifth Open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting on international cooperation); and

- **Focal points in the use of civil and administrative proceedings** that facilitate international cooperation in civil and administrative proceedings relating to corruption (pursuant to resolution 6/4 of the Conference).

2. The secretariat disseminates notifications received through the password-protected Online Directory of Competent National Authorities (CNA Directory) under the United Nations Convention against Corruption. The Directory provides an easy and reliable access to information of designated competent authorities, including their names, contact details, contact persons, possible languages for requests, legal and procedural requirements and description of procedures.

3. In April 2019, the secretariat initiated the data migration of the current CNA Directory to the portal of “Sharing Electronic Resources and Laws on Crime (SHERLOC)”, with a view to providing a single-entry point for practitioners to access information regarding various types of competent authorities under different Conventions. This process was finalized in July 2019. A note verbale (CU 2019/418/DTA/CEB/CSS) was circulated to inform States parties of the data migration and changes incurred thereto, together with an information sheet regarding the access to the CNA Directory on SHERLOC (annex).

4. In order to make the Directory a reliable and comprehensive tool, the secretariat continues to encourage States parties to provide notifications of their designated authorities. Those States parties that have already notified the secretariat of their designated competent national authorities are encouraged to review the accuracy of the information available in the Directory and to inform the secretariat of any changes.

5. As of 29 November 2019, the Directory contains information on the following authorities:

- **Prevention authorities** designated by 117 States;
- **Central authorities for mutual legal assistance** designated by 129 States;
- **Asset recovery focal points** designated by 81 States;
- **Central authorities for extradition** designated by 24 States; and
- **Focal points in the use of civil and administrative proceedings** relating to corruption designated by 33 States.
Annex

Information sheet regarding the access to the CNA Directory

The Online Directory of Competent National Authorities under the United Nations Convention against Corruption (CNA Directory) is a password protected tool, accessible at https://www.unodc.org/compauth_uncac. In order to provide users with a single-entry point to access information regarding various types of competent authorities under different Conventions, the CNA Directory has been merged with another CNA Directory on the platform of “Sharing Electronic Resources and Laws on Crime (SHERLOC)”.

After the data migration, the CNA Directory on SHERLOC now lists over one thousand competent national authorities designated under: (1) the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, (2) the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto, (3) the United Nations Convention against Corruption and (4) other applicable legal instruments.

The CNA Directory on SHERLOC can be accessed through the same weblink provided above and by previously issued login credentials for the CNA Directory under the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

To request an account

1. On the main page of the CNA Directory, please click on “Request an account”.

2. Please fill in the online form and click on “Request Account”. You will be notified by email when access is granted. Kindly note that access is restricted to public officials. Therefore, please use your official/work email in the application.

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1 SHERLOC is used to facilitate the dissemination of information regarding the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, the three Protocols and the international legal framework against terrorism.
To access the CNA Directory

1. On the main page of the CNA Directory, please click on “Find Competent National Authority” on the left side bar.

2. It will direct you to the CNA Directory on SHERLOC which lists different types of competent national authorities, including those designated under the United Nations Convention against Corruption. To view specific authorities in the CNA Directory, please click on “Access the Directory".
3. Please use your previous username and password for the CNA Directory under the United Nations Convention against Corruption to log in. Kindly note that the previously issued login credentials remain effective and old users do not need to apply for access again.

3. In the CNA Directory on SHERLOC, authorities can be searched by name or filtered by country, mandate or type.
4. The default interface is a country profile page where you can click on the flag icon of the States to find out more information regarding the authorities they designated.

5. You may further click on any specific authority to acquire more detailed information, including, inter alia, the address, means of communications, procedure to follow in urgent cases, content of the request to the authority etc.