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NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the UN, OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption and would like to refer to its Note Verbale of 8 March 2018 (CU 2018/78/DTA/CEB/CSS), in which it requested information related to the resolution 7/2 entitled "Preventing and combating corruption in all its forms more effectively, including when it involves vast quantities of assets, based on a comprehensive and multidisciplinary approach, in accordance with the Convention" (CAC/COSP/2017/XX), as adopted by the Conference at its seventh session, held in Vienna, from 6 to 10 November 2017.

In this connection, the Permanent Representation would like to inform that the Supreme State Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Slovenia has asked all state prosecutors' offices in the Republic of Slovenia to provide requested information under points one and two of the abovementioned Note Verbale. Prosecutors' offices replied that they did not have a) cases regarding corruption offences where vast quantities of assets are involved, as well as not b) cases where international cooperation in this regard was included.

The Specialised State Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Slovenia additionally (in general) explained about best practice with regards to up-to-date and substantive suitability of the cooperation of the competent authorities of the requested countries, which are requested by the Specialised State Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Slovenia for the execution of various pre-trial measures aimed at investigating corruption and the assets recovery. Besides cooperation and exchange of information via EUROJUST was also identified as good practice.

With regard to the identification of legal and natural persons, involved in the establishment of corporate entities, including shell companies, trusts and other similar arrangements which may be abused to commit or conceal crimes of corruption or to hide, disguise or transfer their proceeds of corruption to countries that provide safety to the corrupt and/or their proceeds the Specialised State Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Slovenia highlights the importance of up-to-date police activities in the pre-trial procedures, specifically through checking addresses, collecting notices on the roles of individual persons, and forwarding information from local evidences /databases.

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the UN, OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption the assurances of its highest consideration.

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