

SUMMARY OF PROCEDURES FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

Country: Honduras

International assistance in criminal matters:

The most appropriate procedure to be used in international assistance in criminal matters will depend on whether or not there are assistance agreements between countries.

If a mutual assistance agreement has been signed with any country, or in cases covered by the Vienna Convention, the requesting country must merely send the request to the Prosecutor General of the Republic, as the central authority, who will remit it to the Special Prosecutor for processing. Once processed, it will be sent to the Ministry of External Relations to certify the signature of the Prosecutor General, and all the processed documentation will be sent directly to the requesting country.

In cases covered by the Palermo Convention, the request for assistance must be sent to the Ministry of Governance and Justice, which has been named the central authority, and is the body that will remit the request to the Prosecutor General to implement the assistance.