

EXTRADITION SYSTEM OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

The Extradition Act 1993 (No. 12 of 1993) establishes procedures for responding to extradition request. The Extradition Act applies to countries where there exists a treaty or an extradition arrangement between a foreign country and Antigua and Barbuda. The arrangement may be general or special.

The Extradition Act defines offences that are extraditable and prescribes the circumstances under which a request for persons in Antigua and Barbuda may be extradited. Provision is also made for regulating treatment of persons returned to Antigua and Barbuda pursuant to extradition arrangement. The Act also deals with the type of evidence required in Antigua and Barbuda to process extradition request through the courts.

Finally, under the Extradition Act, certain offences are disqualified as non extraditable offences. These offences include offences of a political character, offences triable under military law and which is not also an offence under the general criminal law and offences with racial or religious undertone.