

EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

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NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus in The Hague presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties and has the honour to refer to the latter's Note Verbal with ref. no. ICC-ASP/S/PA/07 dated 9 April 2010, regarding the questionnaire on the measures undertaken in respect of implementing legislation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

The Embassy has the honour to transmit herewith information on measures undertaken by the Republic of Cyprus in respect of implementing legislation of the Rome Statute.

The Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Implementing legislation questionnaire for States Parties

1. Has your Government adopted any national legislation implementing the Rome Statute ("the Statute")?

The Rome Statute for the establishment of the International Criminal Court (Ratification) Law of 2002 (Law No. 8(III)/2002) incorporates the Rome Statute ("the Statute") into national Law.

IF NOT Part A

- 2. What legislative efforts, if any, has your Government taken to implement the provisions of the Statute into national law? -N/A
- 3. What obstacles, if any, has your Government faced in its efforts to implement the provisions of the Statute? -N/A
- 4. What form of assistance would benefit your Government's efforts to implement the Statute? $-\,N/A$

IF YES Part B

5. In implementing the Statute, did your Government draft special implementing legislation or did it incorporate the articles or substantive provisions of the Statute into pre-existing law?

The text of the Statute (the original English text as well as its translation into Greek) is incorporated in its totality in the Schedule to Law 8(III)/2002 for the purposes of its incorporation into national Law. The said Law can thus be described as "special implementing legislation".

6. Does the implementing legislation incorporate the substantive crimes through reference to the Statute or by incorporating the crimes in the legislation itself?

Law No. 8(III)/2002 incorporates the substantive crimes in the legislation itself.

7. Does the implementing legislation fully incorporate all modes of cooperation under Part 9 of the Statute?

No express reference is made to Part 9 of the Statute in Law 8(III/2002). Part 9 is however, fully incorporated into national Law by virtue of the incorporation of the full text of the Statute into the Law (its Schedule) (see points 1 and 5 above).

8. Does the implementing legislation designate a channel of communication with the Court?

Law No. 8(III)/2002 does not designate a channel of communication with the Court. By virtue of section 3(b), however, the said law is to be applied in correlation with the International Cooperation in Criminal Matters Law of 2001 (Law No. 23(I)/2001), which designates the Minister of Juctice and Public Order as the competent authority for matters relating to international cooperation in criminal matters.