Bilateral agreement between the Republic of Italy and the Republic of Macedonia additional to the European Convention on Extradition of 13 December 1957 aimed at facilitating its application.

The Republic of Italy and the Republic of Macedonia,

Desiring to improve the cooperation in the relations between the two Countries with regard to extradition, establishing the possibility of extradition and transit with regard to nationals;

Taking into account, in particular, the importance of the fight against organised crime, corruption, money laundering and other serious criminal offences and the need for an effective international cooperation in these fields;

Considering that the provisions of the European Convention on Extradition of 13 December 1957 stay in force with regard to all matters not regulated by this Agreement;

Have agreed as follows:

## ARTICLE 1 EXTRADITION OF NATIONALS

(1) Each Contracting Party may extradite its nationals wanted by the Requesting Party for the purpose of carrying out criminal proceedings or executing a final prison sentence or measure involving deprivation of liberty imposed on them according to the domestic legislation and at the conditions provided for in the following Article 2, and for all the criminal offences for which extradition is allowed according to the national legislation within the restrictions prescribed in art.2.

## ARTICLE 2 EXTRADITION OF NATIONALS FOR THE OFFENCES OF ORGANISED CRIME, CORRUPTION AND MONEY-LAUNDERING

- 1. The extradition of nationals for the purpose of carrying out criminal proceedings shall be allowed, provided the conditions prescribed in this Agreement are met, for the criminal offences of organised crime, corruption and money-laundering punishable under the laws of both Parties by a prison sentence or a measure involving deprivation of liberty of a minimum term of at least four years.
- 2. The extradition of nationals for the purpose of executing a final prison sentence or measure involving deprivation of liberty shall be allowed, provided the conditions prescribed in this Agreement are met, for the criminal offences of organised crime, corruption and money-laundering in cases when the prison sentence or the measure involving deprivation of liberty imposed is of at least two years.

## ARTICLE 3 TRANSIT

Each Party may authorise the transit through its territory of a national surrendered to the other Party by a third State in accordance with the Provisions of the European Convention on Extradition, and in compliance with its domestic legislation, provided that reasons of public order are not opposed to such transit.

## **ARTICLE 4 ENTRY INTO FORCE**

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the sixtieth day after the date of the reception of the second notification by which the Contracting Parties shall officially communicate each other, through diplomatic channels, that their respective domestic ratification procedures have been completed.
- 2. This Agreement may be amended at any time by written agreement between the Contracting Parties. Any amendment shall enter into force in compliance with the procedure provided for in paragraph 1 of this Article and shall be part of this Agreement.
- 3. This Agreement shall be of unlimited duration. Each Contracting Party has the faculty to withdraw from this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to the other Party through diplomatic channels. Termination shall be effective six months after the date of reception of such a Termination of effectiveness shall not prejudice any procedures started prior to the termination.
- 4. This Agreement shall apply to any request submitted after its entry into force, even though the relevant criminal offences were committed before its entry into force.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE	at	Dkopje	on	this	25		**********	(day)	of	07	; •••••
(month)	•••	2016	(year), in	two	originals	in t	he Italian,	Macedo	nian	and	English
languages, both texts being equally authentic.											
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For the Republic of Italy

For the Republic of Macedonia