AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY AND THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA AIMED AT FACILITATING APPLICATION OF THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON EXTRADITION OF 13 DECEMBER 1957

The Republic of Italy and the Republic of Serbia (hereinafter referred to as The Contracting Parties;

With the aim to in prove co-operation between the two countries in the matter of extradition, in particular with reference to the surrender and transit of nationals;

Considering the importance of the fight against organised crime, corruption and money laundering, and the necessity for efficient mutual co-operation in these areas;

Specifying that the provisions envisaged by the European Convention on Extradition of 13 December 1957, to which both states are parties, shall remain in force with regard to any other issue not governed by this Agreement;

have agreed as follows:

Article 1 EXTRADITION OF NATIONALS

Each Contracting Party may extradite nationals requested by the Requesting Party for the purpose of carrying out criminal proceedings or executing a final sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty, under the terms set out in Articles 2 and 3 of the present Agreement.

Article 2 EXTRADITION OF NATIONALS FOR CRIMINAL OFFENCES OF ORGANISED CRIME, CORRUPTION AND MONEY LAUNDERING

1. Extradition of nationals with a view to carrying out criminal proceedings shall be allowed, provided that the conditions set out in the present Agreement have been met, for criminal offences of organised crime, corruption and money laundering for which, by the laws of both Contracting Parties, a sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty for a maximum period of not less than four years is prescribed.

2. Extradition of nationals with a view to executing a final sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty shall be allowed, provided that the conditions set out in the present Agreement have been met, for criminal offences of organised crime, corruption and money laundering when a sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty of not less than two years is pronounced.

Article 3 EXTRADITION OF NATIONALS FOR OTHER SERIOUS OFFENCES

- 1. Extradition of nationals with a view to carrying out criminal proceedings shall be allowed, provided that the conditions set out in the present Agreement have been met, except for criminal offences referred to in Article 2 of the present Agreement, as well as for all other serious offences for which a sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty for a maximum period of not less than five years may be pronounced.
- 2. Extradition of nationals with a view to executing a final sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty shall be allowed, provided that the conditions set out in the present Agreement have been met, except for criminal offences referred to in Article 2 of the present Agreement, as well as for all other serious offences when the pronounced sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty is not less than four years.

Article 4 EXECUTION OF A SENTENCE IN THE STATE OF CITIZENSHIP

- 1. Where the extradition is requested for the purpose of carrying out criminal proceedings, the surrender of the national may depend on the condition that the person, after having been tried, be returned to the Requested Party for the execution of the sentence or the measure involving deprivation of liberty which may be imposed on the said person by the final judgement of the Requesting Party.
- 2. Where the extradition is requested for the purpose of executing a final sentence of imprisonment or other measure restricting personal liberty, the Requested Party may itself execute such sentence or measure restricting personal liberty, in compliance with its national legislation.

Article 5 TRANSIT OF NATIONALS

Each Contracting Party may authorise the transit across its territory of a national extradited to the other Contracting Party by a third state, in compliance with the provisions of the European Convention on Extradition, unless this is not possible for reasons of public order.

Article 6 ENTRY INTO FORCE

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force the day of receipt of last ratification instrument by which the Contracting Parties shall communicate each other via diplomatic channel the completion of their respective domestic internal ratification procedures.
- 2. This Agreement may be amended at any time by written agreement between the Contracting Parties. Any amendments made shall enter into force in compliance with the procedure provided for in paragraph 1 of this Article and shall constitute as an integral part of this Agreement.
- 3. This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite time period. Each Contracting Party may denounce this Agreement at any time by submitting a written notice to the other Party using diplomatic channel. Termination of this Agreement shall take effect on one hundred and eighty days following the date of submitted notice. Effective termination shall not prejudice any procedures commenced before the said termination.
- 4. This Agreement shall apply to each and every request relating to the criminal offences committed after its entry into force.

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

Done at Belgrade on 09 of February 2017, in two original copies each in Italian, Serbian and English languages, all versions being equally authentic. Should divergence occur, English version shall prevail.

FOR THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY

FOR THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA