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In accordance with Article 2 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/909/JHA, Article 3 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA and Article 6 of the Council Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA, Latvia provides the following information:

- a "municipal (district) court" is the competent authority within the meaning of Article 2 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/909/JHA and Article 3 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA, whereas the Ministry of Justice functions as the central authority. "The Prosecutor General's Office" is the competent authority within the meaning of Article 6 of the Council Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA;

- moreover, it informs that -with regard to languages to be used in documents - Latvia, on the basis of Article 24 of the Council Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA, Article 23 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/909/JHA and Article 21 of the Council Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA, only accepts documents which are translated into Latvian.

(Complimentary close)

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