

NOTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 31 AND 33 OF DIRECTIVE 2014/41/EU***Article 33(1)(a) (Article 2(c) and (d), competent authorities)***

Where Finland is the **issuing** State, the competent authorities are:

- an official with the power of arrest authorised to head investigations within the police, customs or the border guard. In this case the order is validated by the prosecutor.
- prosecutor, district court, court of appeal, supreme court

Where Finland is the **executing** State, the competent authorities are:

- the police, border and customs authorities
- Helsinki district court and prosecutors operating under the jurisdiction of the Helsinki district court. However, the hearing of witnesses, experts and other parties in court is the jurisdiction of the court of the district in which the party to be heard has their place of domicile or permanent/temporary residence. If circumstances so warrant, another district court or prosecutor may act as executing authority.

Article 33(1)(b) (Article 5(2) of the Directive, languages)

An investigation order transferred to Finland and a transfer request within the meaning of Article 22 must be in Finnish, Swedish or English, or must be accompanied by a translation into one of those languages. The executing authority may also accept a transfer request issued in another language provided there is no other obstacle to its acceptance.

Visitor address
Eteläesplanadi 10
HELSINKI

Postal address
PL 25
00023 VALTIONEUVOSTO

Tel.
029516001

Fax
09 1606 7730

e-mail
oikeusministerio@om.fi

Article 33(1)(c) (Article 7(3) of the Directive, central authority)

The Ministry of Justice acts as the central authority within the meaning of Article 7(3) of the Directive. Its remit is to assist the competent authorities in communications relating to the transfer of an investigation order.

Article 33(2) (Article 22(4) of the Directive, documents for a transit request)

The competent authorities of the other Member State must send the prosecutor making the transit decision the details of the identity of the individual to be transported through Finland and the investigation order.

Article 31

The notifications referred to in Article 31 of the Directive are received and issued by the central criminal police.