

International Criminal Court Act 2001

2001 CHAPTER 17

PART 3

OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE

Forms of assistance

29 Taking or production of evidence

(1) This section applies where the Secretary of State receives a request from the ICC for assistance in the taking or production of evidence.

For this purpose "evidence" includes documents and other articles.

- (2) The Secretary of State may nominate a court in England and Wales or Northern Ireland to receive the evidence to which the request relates.
- (3) For this purpose the nominated court—
 - (a) has the same powers with respect to securing the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents or other articles as it has for the purpose of other proceedings before the court; and
 - (b) may take evidence on oath.
- (4) A person shall not be compelled to give evidence or produce anything in proceedings under this section that he could not be compelled to give or produce in criminal proceedings in the part of the United Kingdom in which the nominated court has jurisdiction.
- (5) If in order to comply with the request it is necessary for the evidence received by the court to be verified in any manner, the notice nominating the court shall specify the nature of the verification required.
- (6) No order for costs shall be made in proceedings under this section.