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                      on the European arrest warrant

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As of 1 April 2006, the National Criminal Intelligence Service (NCIS) function as Central Authority for the European Arrest Warrant has been incorporated into the newly formed Serious Organised Crime Agency.

The designated central authority to assist competent judicial authorities under Article 7(2) of the Council Framework Decision of 13 June 2002 on the European arrest warrant and the surrender procedures between Member States will now be:

The Fugitives Unit  
Serious Organised Crime Agency  
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London SE11 5EN  
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Email: [london@soca.x.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:london@soca.x.gsi.gov.uk)

The contact details provided in warrants issued before 1 April 2006 remain valid. The contact details for the Scottish Crown Office, which is the designated central authority where the subject of the warrant is known to be in Scotland, have not changed.

Any transit requests made to the United Kingdom under Article 25 of the Framework Decision on the European arrest warrant should be addressed to the Fugitives Unit in the Serious Organised Crime Agency.

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