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(Superannuation and Corporate Law)

A Bill for an Act to give effect to the Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, and for related purposes

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- **Cross-Border Insolvency of the United Nations**
- **Commission on International Trade Law, and for**
- related purposes
- 5 The Parliament of Australia enacts:
- **Part 1—Preliminary**
- 8 1 Short title
- This Act may be cited as the *Cross-Border Insolvency Act 2008*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provision(s)	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this Act not elsewhere covered by this table	The day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.	
2. Parts 2, 3 and	A single day to be fixed by Proclamation.	
4	However, if any of the provision(s) do not	
	commence within the period of 6 months beginning on the day on which this Act	
	receives the Royal Assent, they commence	
	on the first day after the end of that period.	
3. Schedule 1	At the same time as the provision(s) covered by table item 2.	I
Note:	This table relates only to the provisions of this passed by both Houses of the Parliament and a be expanded to deal with provisions inserted in	ssented to. It will not
part o	nn 3 of the table contains additional inform f this Act. Information in this column may in any published version of this Act.	

3 Crown to be bound

This Act binds the Crown in each of its capacities.

4 Application of Act

- This Act does not extend to the Territory of Christmas Island or the Territory of Cocos (Keeling) Islands. 2
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2 3	Part 2—	-Mod	el Law on Cross-Border Insolvency
4	5 Definition	ons	
5	(1)	In this A	act:
6 7			a does not include the Territory of Christmas Island or the y of Cocos (Keeling) Islands.
8 9 10 11 12		the Unit out in th A/RES/:	Law means the Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency of ed Nations Commission on International Trade Law, set the Annex to United Nations General Assembly Resolution 52/158 (1997), the English text of which is set out in the 1 to this Act.
13 14		Note:	In 2008, the text of United Nations General Assembly Resolutions was accessible through the United Nations Internet site (www.un.org).
15 16 17	(2)	(whethe	ession that is used in both this Act and the Model Law r or not a particular meaning is given to it by the Model s, in this Act, the same meaning as in the Model Law.
18	6 Model I	aw to h	ave force of law in Australia
19 20		•	to this Act, the Model Law, with the modifications set out art, has the force of law in Australia.
21	7 Referen	ces in M	Iodel Law to this State
22 23	(1)		Iodel Law (as it has the force of law in Australia), a e to this State is a reference to Australia.
24 25		Note:	See also section 19 for references to laws/law of this State and court of this State.
26 27 28	(2)		use of subsection (1), the Model Law refers to Australia in aphical sense, the reference does not include an external y.
29 30 31		Note:	Paragraph 17(a) of the <i>Acts Interpretation Act 1901</i> would otherwise provide that <i>Australia</i> includes the Territory of Christmas Island and the Territory of Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

1	8 Identifying Australian laws relating to insolvency	
2	The Model Law has the force of law in Australia as if the Model	
3	Law referred to:	
4	(a) the Bankruptcy Act 1966; and	
5	(b) Chapter 5 (other than Parts 5.2 and 5.4A), and	
6	section 601CL, of the Corporations Act 2001;	
7 8	wherever the Model Law provides that the laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency are to be identified.	
9	9 Entities that are not covered by the Model Law	
10	Entities prescribed by the regulations are designated for the	
11	purposes of paragraph 2 of Article 1 of the Model Law (as it has	
12	the force of law in Australia).	
13 14	Note 1: The effect of prescribing an entity is that the Model Law does not apply to it.	
15 16	Note 2: The regulations may prescribe the entity by reference to a class. See subsection 13(3) of the <i>Legislative Instruments Act 2003</i> .	
17	10 Courts competent to perform functions under Model Law	
18	The following courts are taken to be specified in Article 4 of the	
19	Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) as courts	
20	competent to perform the functions referred to in the Model Law	
21	relating to recognition of foreign proceedings and cooperation with	
22	foreign courts:	
23	(a) if the functions relate to a proceeding involving a debtor who	
24	is an individual—the Federal Court of Australia;	
25	(b) if the functions relate to a proceeding involving a debtor	
26	other than an individual:	
27	(i) the Federal Court of Australia; and	
28	(ii) the Supreme Court of a State or Territory.	
29	Note: References in the Model Law to a court or the court are, because of	
30 31	this section, to be read as references to the Federal Court of Australia or the Supreme Court of a State or Territory.	

1 2	11 Functions of the trustee (in bankruptcy proceedings) and the registered liquidator (in corporate insolvencies)
3	The Model Law has the force of law in Australia as if the Model
4	Law referred to whichever of the following is appropriate:
5	(a) the trustee (within the meaning of subsection 5(1) of the
6	Bankruptcy Act 1966);
7 8	(b) a registered liquidator (within the meaning of section 9 of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i>);
9	wherever the Model Law indicates that the title of the person or
10	body administering a reorganization or liquidation under the law of the enacting State is to be inserted.
12	12 Access of foreign creditors to Australian insolvency proceedings
13	(1) For the purposes of Article 13 of the Model Law (as it has the force
4	of law in Australia), the alternative wording set out in footnote 2 to
15	the Model Law replaces paragraph 2 of that Article.
16	(2) For the purposes of the replacement paragraph, the claims of
17	foreign creditors, other than those concerning tax and social
8	security obligations, must not be ranked lower than the unsecured
19 20	claims of other creditors solely because the creditor concerned is a foreign creditor.
21	13 Application for recognition of foreign proceeding
22	In addition to the requirement in paragraph 3 of Article 15 of the
23	Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) that an
24	application for recognition be accompanied by a statement
25	identifying all foreign proceedings in respect of the debtor that are
26 27	known to the foreign representative, the application must be accompanied by a statement identifying:
28	(a) all proceedings under the <i>Bankruptcy Act 1966</i> in respect of
20 29	the debtor; and
80	(b) any appointment of a receiver (within the meaning of
31	section 416 of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i>), or a controller or
32	a managing controller (both within the meaning of section 9
33	of that Act), in relation to the property of the debtor; and

1 2	(c) all proceedings under Chapter 5, or section 601CL, of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> in respect of the debtor;
3	that are known to the foreign representative.
4	14 Subsequent information
5	In addition to the requirement in subparagraph (b) of Article 18 of
6	the Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) that the
7	foreign representative inform the court promptly of any other
8	foreign proceeding that becomes known to the foreign
9 10	representative, the foreign representative must inform the court promptly of:
11 12	(a) any proceeding under the <i>Bankruptcy Act 1966</i> regarding the same debtor; and
13	(b) any appointment of a receiver (within the meaning of
14	section 416 of the Corporations Act 2001), or a controller or
15	a managing controller (both within the meaning of section 9
16	of that Act), in relation to the property of the same debtor;
17	and
18	(c) any proceeding under Chapter 5, or section 601CL, of the
19	Corporations Act 2001 regarding the same debtor;
20	that becomes known to the foreign representative.
21	15 Relief that may be granted upon application for recognition of a
22	foreign proceeding
23	To avoid doubt, no provisions are inserted or referred to in
24	paragraph 2 of Article 19 of the Model Law (as it has the force of
25	law in Australia).
26	16 Effects of recognition of a foreign main proceeding
27	For the purposes of paragraph 2 of Article 20 of the Model Law (as
28	it has the force of law in Australia), the scope and the modification
29	or termination of the stay or suspension referred to in paragraph 1
30	of that Article, are the same as would apply if the stay or
31	suspension arose under:
32	(a) the Bankruptcy Act 1966; or

1 2	(b) Chapter 5 (other than Parts 5.2 and 5.4A) of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> ;
3	as the case requires.
4	17 Actions to avoid acts detrimental to creditors
5	(1) The actions referred to for the purposes of paragraph 1 of Article
6	23 of the Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) are
7	actions arising under or because of:
8	(a) section 120, 121, 121A, 122, 128B or 128C or Division 4A
9	of Part VI of the Bankruptcy Act 1966; or
10	(b) Division 2 of Part 5.7B of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> .
11	(2) A provision referred to in paragraph (1)(a) or (b) applies, with
12	appropriate changes, in relation to an action for the purposes of a
13	foreign proceeding in the same way it would apply if the action
14	were for the purposes of a proceeding in relation to:
15	(a) a bankrupt (within the meaning of subsection 5(1) of the
16	Bankruptcy Act 1966); or
17	(b) a company (within the meaning of section 9 of the
18	Corporations Act 2001);
19	as the case requires.
20	18 Forms of cooperation
21	To avoid doubt, no additional forms or examples of cooperation
22	are added by subparagraph (f) of Article 27 of the Model Law (as it
23	has the force of law in Australia).
24	19 References to laws/law of this State and courts of this State
25	Laws/law of this State
26	(1) A reference in Article 7 of the Model Law (as it has the force of
27	law in Australia) to laws of this State is a reference to the following
28	laws:
29	(a) a law of the Commonwealth;
30	(b) a law of a State;
31	(c) a law of a Territory (other than an external Territory).

1 2 3	(2) A reference in Article 21 of the Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) to the laws of this State is a reference to a law of the Commonwealth.
4	(3) A reference in Articles 14, 21, 23, 28 and 29 of the Model Law (as
5 6	it has the force of law in Australia) to the law of this State is a reference to a law of the Commonwealth.
7	(4) A reference in Article 24 of the Model Law (as it has the force of
8 9	law in Australia) to the law of this State is a reference to the following laws:
10	(a) a law of the Commonwealth;
11	(b) a law of a State;
12	(c) a law of a State, (c) a law of a Territory (other than an external Territory).
13	Courts of this State
14	(5) A reference in Article 10 of the Model Law (as it has the force of
15	law in Australia) to the courts of this State is a reference to the
16	following courts:
17	(a) a federal court;
18	(b) a court of a State;
19	(c) a court of a Territory (other than an external Territory).
20	20 Application
21	(1) This Act applies to proceedings under:
22	(a) the <i>Bankruptcy Act 1966</i> ; or
23	(b) Chapter 5 (other than Parts 5.2 and 5.4A), and
24	section 601CL, of the Corporations Act 2001;
25	commenced before, on or after the commencement of this Part.
26	(2) This Act applies to foreign proceedings commenced on or after the
27	commencement of this Part.

1 Part 3—Interaction with other Acts 2 3 21 Interaction with the Bankruptcy Act 1966 If the Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) or a 5 provision of this Act is inconsistent with section 29 of the 6 Bankruptcy Act 1966, the Model Law or the provision of this Act 7 8 prevails, and that section has no effect to the extent of the inconsistency. 9 22 Interaction with the Corporations Act 2001 10 (1) If the Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) or a 11 provision of this Act is inconsistent with a provision of: 12 (a) Division 9 of Part 5.6 of the Corporations Act 2001; or 13 (b) Part 5.7 of the Corporations Act 2001; 14 the Model Law or the provision of this Act prevails, and the 15 provision of the Corporations Act 2001 has no effect to the extent 16 of the inconsistency. 17 (2) The Model Law (as it has the force of law in Australia) and this 18 19 Act, are in addition to, and not in derogation of, section 601CL of

the Corporations Act 2001.

Part 4—Regulations

23 Regulations

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The Governor-General may make regulations prescribing matters:

- (a) required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed; or
- (b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.

1	Schedule 1—Model Law on Cross-Border
2	Insolvency of the United Nations
3	Commission on International Trade
4	Law
5	Note: See section 5.
6 7	PREAMBLE
8	The purpose of the present Law is to provide effective mechanisms for dealing with cases of cross-border insolvency so as to promote the objectives of:
10 11	(a) Cooperation between the courts and other competent authorities of this State and foreign States involved in cases of cross-border insolvency;
12 13 14	(b) Greater legal certainty for trade and investment;
15 16 17	(c) Fair and efficient administration of cross-border insolvencies that protects the interests of all creditors and other interested persons, including the debtor;
18 19 20	(d) Protection and maximization of the value of the debtor's assets;
21 22	(e) Facilitation of the rescue of financially troubled businesses, thereby protecting investment and preserving employment.
23 24	CHAPTER I. GENERAL PROVISIONS
25	Article 1
26	Scope of application
27 28	1. The present Law applies where:
29 30	(a) Assistance is sought in this State by a foreign court or a foreign representative in connection with a foreign proceeding; or
31 32 33 34	(b) Assistance is sought in a foreign State in connection with a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency]; or

1 2 3	(c) A foreign proceeding and a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency] in respect of the same debtor are taking place concurrently; or
4 5 6 7	(d) Creditors or other interested persons in a foreign State have an interest in requesting the commencement of, or participation in, a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency].
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9	2. The present Law does not apply to a proceeding concerning [designate
10	any types of entities, such as banks or insurance companies, that are subject to
1	a special insolvency regime in this State and that this State wishes to exclude
12	from the present Law].
13	Article 2
4	Definitions
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6	For the purposes of the present Law:
17	(a) "Foreign proceeding" means a collective judicial or administrative
8	proceeding in a foreign State, including an interim proceeding, pursuant to a
9	law relating to insolvency in which proceeding the assets and affairs of the
20	debtor are subject to control or supervision by a foreign court, for the purpose of
21	reorganization or liquidation;
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23	(b) "Foreign main proceeding" means a foreign proceeding taking
24	place in the State where the debtor has the centre of its main interests;
25	r,
26	(c) "Foreign non-main proceeding" means a foreign proceeding, other
27	than a foreign main proceeding, taking place in a State where the debtor has an
28	establishment within the meaning of subparagraph (<i>f</i>) of the present article;
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80	(d) "Foreign representative" means a person or body, including one
31	appointed on an interim basis, authorized in a foreign proceeding to administer
32	the reorganization or the liquidation of the debtor's assets or affairs or to act as
33	a representative of the foreign proceeding;
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35	(e) "Foreign court" means a judicial or other authority competent to
36	control or supervise a foreign proceeding;
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1	(f) "Establishment" means any place of operations where the debtor
2	carries out a non-transitory economic activity with human means and goods or
3	services.
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5	Article 3
6	International obligations of this State
7	To the extent that the present Law conflicts with an obligation of this
8	State arising out of any treaty or other form of agreement to which it is a party
9 10	with one or more other States, the requirements of the treaty or agreement prevail.
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11	Article 4
12	[Competent court or authority] ¹
13	The functions referred to in the present Law relating to recognition of
14	foreign proceedings and cooperation with foreign courts shall be performed by
15	[specify the court, courts, authority or authorities competent to perform those
16	functions in the enacting State].
17	Article 5
18	Authorization of [insert the title of the person or body
19	administering a reorganization or liquidation under the
20	law of the enacting State] to act in a foreign State
21	A [insert the title of the person or body administering a reorganization
22	or liquidation under the law of the enacting State] is authorized to act in a
23	foreign State on behalf of a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting
24	State relating to insolvency], as permitted by the applicable foreign law.

¹ A State where certain functions relating to insolvency proceedings have been conferred upon government-appointed officials or bodies might wish to include in article 4 or elsewhere in chapter I the following provision:

[&]quot;Nothing in the present Law affects the provisions in force in this State governing the authority of [insert the title of the government-appointed person or body]."

1	Article 6
2	Public policy exception
3	Nothing in the present Law prevents the court from refusing to take an
4	action governed by the present Law if the action would be manifestly contrary
5	to the public policy of this State.
6	Article 7
7	Additional assistance under other laws
8	Nothing in the present Law limits the power of a court or a [insert the
9	title of the person or body administering a reorganization or liquidation under
10	the law of the enacting State] to provide additional assistance to a foreign
11	representative under other laws of this State.
12	Article 8
13	Interpretation
14	In the interpretation of the present Law, regard is to be had to its
15	international origin and to the need to promote uniformity in its application and
16	the observance of good faith.
17	CHAPTER II. ACCESS OF FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES AND
18	CREDITORS TO COURTS IN THIS STATE
19	Article 9
20	Right of direct access
21	A foreign representative is entitled to apply directly to a court in this
22	State.
23	Article 10
24	Limited jurisdiction

1 2	The sole fact that an application pursuant to the present Law is made to a court in this State by a foreign representative does not subject the foreign
3	representative of the foreign assets and affairs of the debtor to the jurisdiction of
4	the courts of this State for any purpose other than the application.
4	the courts of this state for any purpose other than the application.
5	Article 11
6	Application by a foreign representative to commence a
7	proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State
8	relating to insolvency]
9	A foreign representative is entitled to apply to commence a proceeding
10	under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency] if the
11	conditions for commencing such a proceeding are otherwise met.
12	Article 12
13	Participation of a foreign representative in a proceeding under
14	[identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency]
15	Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding, the foreign representative is
16	entitled to participate in a proceeding regarding the debtor under [identify laws
17	of the enacting State relating to insolvency].
18	Article 13
19	Access of foreign creditors to a proceeding under [identify
20	laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency]
	2 2
21	1. Subject to paragraph 2 of the present article, foreign creditors have the
22	same rights regarding the commencement of, and participation in, a proceeding
23	under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency] as creditors in
24	this State.
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26	2. Paragraph 1 of the present article does not affect the ranking of claims
27	in a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to
28	insolvency], except that the claims of foreign creditors shall not be ranked lower
29	than [identify the class of general non-preference claims, while providing that a
30	foreign claim is to be ranked lower than the general non-preference claims if an

equivalent local claim (e.g. claim for a penalty or deferred-payment claim) has a rank lower than the general non-preference claims].²

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3	Article 14
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5	Notification to foreign creditors of a proceeding under [identify
6	laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency]
7	1. Whenever under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to
8	insolvency] notification is to be given to creditors in this State, such notification
9	shall also be given to the known creditors that do not have addresses in this
10	State. The court may order that appropriate steps be taken with a view to
11	notifying any creditor whose address is not yet known.
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13	2. Such notification shall be made to the foreign creditors individually,
14	unless the court considers that, under the circumstances, some other form of
15	notification would be more appropriate. No rogatory letters or other similar
16	formality is required.
17	
18	3. When a notification of commencement of a proceeding is to be given to
19	foreign creditors, the notification shall:
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21	(a) Indicate a reasonable time period for filing claims and specify the
22	place for their filing;
23	
24	(b) Indicate whether secured creditors need to file their secured claims;
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² The enacting State may wish to consider the following alternative wording to replace paragraph 2 of article 13:

[&]quot;2. Paragraph 1 of the present article does not affect the ranking of claims in a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency] or the exclusion of foreign tax and social security claims from such a proceeding. Nevertheless, the claims of foreign creditors other than those concerning tax and social security obligations shall not be ranked lower than [identify the class of general non-preference claims, while providing that a foreign claim is to be ranked lower than the general non-preference claims if an equivalent local claim (e.g. claim for a penalty or deferred-payment claim) has a rank lower than the general non-preference claims]."

1	(c) Contain any other information required to be included in such a
2	notification to creditors pursuant to the law of this State and the orders of the
3	court.
4	CHAPTER III. RECOGNITION OF A FOREIGN PROCEEDING AND
5	RELIEF
6	Article 15
7	Application for recognition of a foreign proceeding
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9	1. A foreign representative may apply to the court for recognition of the
10	foreign proceeding in which the foreign representative has been appointed.
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12	2. An application for recognition shall be accompanied by:
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14	(a) A certified copy of the decision commencing the foreign
15	proceeding and appointing the foreign representative; or
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17	(b) A certificate from the foreign court affirming the existence of the
18	foreign proceeding and of the appointment of the foreign representative; or
19	
20	(c) In the absence of evidence referred to in subparagraphs (a) and (b),
21	any other evidence acceptable to the court of the existence of the foreign
22	proceeding and of the appointment of the foreign representative.
23	
24	3. An application for recognition shall also be accompanied by a statement
25	identifying all foreign proceedings in respect of the debtor that are known to the
26	foreign representative.
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28	4. The court may require a translation of documents supplied in support of
29	the application for recognition into an official language of this State.
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31	Article 16
32	Presumptions concerning recognition
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1	1.	If the decision or certificate referred to in paragraph 2 of article 15
2	indica	ates that the foreign proceeding is a proceeding within the meaning of
3	subpa	aragraph (a) of article 2 and that the foreign representative is a person or
4	body	within the meaning of subparagraph (d) of article 2, the court is entitled to
5	so pre	esume.
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7	2.	The court is entitled to presume that documents submitted in support of
8	the ap	opplication for recognition are authentic, whether or not they have been
9	legali	zed.
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11	3.	In the absence of proof to the contrary, the debtor's registered office, or
12	habitı	ual residence in the case of an individual, is presumed to be the centre of
13	the de	ebtor's main interests.
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15		Article 17
16		Decision to recognize a foreign proceeding
17	1.	Subject to article 6, a foreign proceeding shall be recognized if:
18 19	subpa	(a) The foreign proceeding is a proceeding within the meaning of argraph (a) of article 2;
		(b) The foreign representative applying for recognition is a person or
20 21	body	within the meaning of subparagraph (d) of article 2;
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23		(c) The application meets the requirements of paragraph 2 of article 15;
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25		(d) The application has been submitted to the court referred to in article
26	4.	
27		
28	2.	The foreign proceeding shall be recognized:
29		(a) As a foreign main proceeding if it is taking place in the State where
30 31	the de	ebtor has the centre of its main interests; or
32		(b) As a foreign non-main proceeding if the debtor has an
33	estab	lishment within the meaning of subparagraph (f) of article 2 in the foreign
34	State.	
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1 2	3. An application for recognition of a foreign proceeding shall be decided upon at the earliest possible time.
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4	4. The provisions of articles 15, 16, 17 and 18 do not prevent modification
5	or termination of recognition if it is shown that the grounds for granting it were
6	fully or partially lacking or have ceased to exist.
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8	Article 18
9	Subsequent information
10	From the time of filing the application for recognition of the foreign
11	proceeding, the foreign representative shall inform the court promptly of:
12	(a) Any substantial change in the status of the recognized foreign
13	proceeding or the status of the foreign representative's appointment;
14	
15	(b) Any other foreign proceeding regarding the same debtor that
16	becomes known to the foreign representative.
17	Article 19
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20	Relief that may be granted upon application for recognition
21	of a foreign proceeding
22	1. From the time of filing an application for recognition until the
23	application is decided upon, the court may, at the request of the foreign
24	representative, where relief is urgently needed to protect the assets of the debtor
25	or the interests of the creditors, grant relief of a provisional nature, including:
26	(a) Staying execution against the debtor's assets;
27	(b) Entrusting the administration or realization of all or part of the debtor's
28	assets located in this State to the foreign representative or another person
29	designated by the court, in order to protect and preserve the value of assets that,
30	by their nature or because of other circumstances, are perishable, susceptible to
31	devaluation or otherwise in jeopardy;
32	(c) Any relief mentioned in paragraph 1 (c), (d) and (g) of article 21
33	below.

1	2. [Insert provisions (or refer to provisions in force in the enacting State)
2	relating to notice.]
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4	3. Unless extended under paragraph 1 (f) of article 21, the relief granted
5	under the present article terminates when the application for recognition is
6	decided upon.
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8	4. The court may refuse to grant relief under the present article if such
9	relief would interfere with the administration of a foreign main proceeding.
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11	Article 20
12	Effects of recognition of a foreign main proceeding
13	1. Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding that is a foreign main
14	proceeding:
15	(a) Commencement or continuation of individual actions or individual
16	proceedings concerning the debtor's assets, rights, obligations or liabilities is
17	stayed;
18	(b) Execution against the debtor's assets is stayed;
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20	(c) The right to transfer, encumber or otherwise dispose of any assets
21	of the debtor is suspended.
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23	2. The scope, and the modification or termination, of the stay and
24	suspension referred to in paragraph 1 of the present article are subject to [refer
25	to any provisions of law of the enacting State relating to insolvency that apply
26	to exceptions, limitations, modifications or termination in respect of the stay
27	and suspension referred to in paragraph 1 of the present article].
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29	3. Paragraph 1 (a) of the present article does not affect the right to
30	commence individual actions or proceedings to the extent necessary to preserve
31	a claim against the debtor.
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33	4. Paragraph 1 of the present article does not affect the right to request the
34	commencement of a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State
35	relating to insolvency] or the right to file claims in such a proceeding.
36 37	Article 21

Relief that may be granted upon recognition of a foreign proceeding

- 1. Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding, whether main or non-main, where necessary to protect the assets of the debtor or the interests of the creditors, the court may, at the request of the foreign representative, grant any appropriate relief, including:
- (a) Staying the commencement or continuation of individual actions or individual proceedings concerning the debtor's assets, rights, obligations or liabilities, to the extent they have not been stayed under paragraph 1 (a) of article 20:
- (b) Staying execution against the debtor's assets to the extent it has not been stayed under paragraph 1 (b) of article 20;
- (c) Suspending the right to transfer, encumber or otherwise dispose of any assets of the debtor to the extent this right has not been suspended under paragraph 1 (c) of article 20;
- (d) Providing for the examination of witnesses, the taking of evidence or the delivery of information concerning the debtor's assets, affairs, rights, obligations or liabilities;
- (e) Entrusting the administration or realization of all or part of the debtor's assets located in this State to the foreign representative or another person designated by the court;
 - (f) Extending relief granted under paragraph 1 of article 19;
- (g) Granting any additional relief that may be available to [insert the title of a person or body administering a reorganization or liquidation under the law of the enacting State] under the laws of this State.
- 2. Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding, whether main or non-main, the court may, at the request of the foreign representative, entrust the distribution of all or part of the debtor's assets located in this State to the foreign representative or another person designated by the court, provided that the court is satisfied that the interests of creditors in this State are adequately protected.

1	3. In granting relief under the present article to a representative of a
2	foreign non-main proceeding, the court must be satisfied that the relief relates to
3	assets that, under the law of this State, should be administered in the foreign
4	non-main proceeding or concerns information required in that proceeding.
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6	Article 22
7	Protection of creditors and other interested persons
8	1. In granting or denying relief under article 19 or 21, or in modifying or
9	terminating relief under paragraph 3 of the present article, the court must be
10	satisfied that the interests of the creditors and other interested persons, including
11	the debtor, are adequately protected.
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13	2. The court may subject relief granted under article 19 or 21 to conditions
14	it considers appropriate.
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16	3. The court may, at the request of the foreign representative or a person
17	affected by relief granted under article 19 or 21, or at its own motion, modify or
18	terminate such relief.
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20	Article 23
21	Actions to avoid acts detrimental to creditors
22	1. Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding, the foreign representative has
23	standing to initiate [refer to the types of actions to avoid or otherwise render
24	ineffective acts detrimental to creditors that are available in this State to a
25	person or body administering a reorganization or liquidation].
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27	2. When the foreign proceeding is a foreign non-main proceeding, the
28	court must be satisfied that the action relates to assets that, under the law of this
29	State, should be administered in the foreign non-main proceeding.
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31	Article 24
32	Intervention by a foreign representative in proceedings
33	in this State
34	Upon recognition of a foreign proceeding, the foreign representative
35	may, provided the requirements of the law of this State are met, intervene in any

1 2	proceedings in which the debtor is a party.
3 4	CHAPTER IV. COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN COURTS AND FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES
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6	Article 25
7 8	Cooperation and direct communication between a court of this
9	State and foreign courts or foreign representatives
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11	1. In matters referred to in article 1, the court shall cooperate to the
12	maximum extent possible with foreign courts or foreign representatives, either
13	directly or through a [insert the title of a person or body administering a
14	reorganization or liquidation under the law of the enacting State].
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16	2. The court is entitled to communicate directly with, or to request
17	information or assistance directly from, foreign courts or foreign
18	representatives.
19 20	Article 26
21	Cooperation and direct communication between the [insert the
22	title of a person or body administering a reorganization or
23	liquidation under the law of the enacting State] and foreign
24	courts or foreign representatives
25	1. In matters referred to in article 1, a [insert the title of a person or body
26	administering a reorganization or liquidation under the law of the enacting
27	State] shall, in the exercise of its functions and subject to the supervision of the
28	court, cooperate to the maximum extent possible with foreign courts or foreign
29	representatives.
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31	2. The [insert the title of a person or body administering a reorganization
32	or liquidation under the law of the enacting State] is entitled, in the exercise of
33	its functions and subject to the supervision of the court, to communicate directly
34	with foreign courts or foreign representatives.
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36	Article 27
37	Forms of cooperation

1	Cooperation referred to in articles 25 and 26 may be implemented by
2	any appropriate means, including:
3	(a) Appointment of a person or body to act at the direction of the court;
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5	(b) Communication of information by any means considered
6	appropriate by the court;
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8	(c) Coordination of the administration and supervision of the debtor's
9	assets and affairs;
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11	(d) Approval or implementation by courts of agreements concerning
12	the coordination of proceedings;
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14	(e) Coordination of concurrent proceedings regarding the same debtor;
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16	(f) [The enacting State may wish to list additional forms or examples of
17	cooperation].
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19	CHAPTER V. CONCURRENT PROCEEDINGS
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21	Article 28
22	Commencement of a proceeding under [identify laws of the
23	enacting State relating to insolvency] after recognition
24	of a foreign main proceeding
25	After recognition of a foreign main proceeding, a proceeding under
26	[identify laws of the enacting State relating to insolvency] may be commenced
27	only if the debtor has assets in this State; the effects of that proceeding shall be
28	restricted to the assets of the debtor that are located in this State and, to the
29	extent necessary to implement cooperation and coordination under articles 25,
30	26 and 27, to other assets of the debtor that, under the law of this State, should
31	be administered in that proceeding.
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32	Article 29

1	Where a foreign proceeding and a proceeding under [identify laws of					
2	the enacting State relating to insolvency] are taking place concurrently					
3	regarding the same debtor, the court shall seek cooperation and coordination					
4	under articles 25, 26 and 27, and the following shall apply:					
5	(a) When the proceeding in this State is taking place at the time the					
6	application for recognition of the foreign proceeding is filed,					
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8	(i) Any relief granted under article 19 or 21 must be consistent with					
9	the proceeding in this State;					
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11	(ii) If the foreign proceeding is recognized in this State as a foreign					
12	main proceeding, article 20 does not apply;					
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14	(b) When the proceeding in this State commences after recognition, or					
15	after the filing of the application for recognition, of the foreign proceeding,					
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17	(i) Any relief in effect under article 19 or 21 shall be reviewed by the					
18	court and shall be modified or terminated if inconsistent with the					
19	proceeding in this State;					
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21	(ii) If the foreign proceeding is a foreign main proceeding, the stay and					
22	suspension referred to in paragraph 1 of article 20 shall be modified					
23	or terminated pursuant to paragraph 2 of article 20 if inconsistent					
24	with the proceeding in this State;					
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26	(c) In granting, extending or modifying relief granted to a					
27	representative of a foreign non-main proceeding, the court must be satisfied that					
28	the relief relates to assets that, under the law of this State, should be					
29	administered in the foreign non-main proceeding or concerns information					
30	required in that proceeding.					
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32	Article 30					
33	Coordination of more than one foreign proceeding					
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34	In matters referred to in article 1, in respect of more than one foreign					
35	proceeding regarding the same debtor, the court shall seek cooperation and					
36	coordination under articles 25, 26 and 27, and the following shall apply:					

1	(a) Any relief granted under article 19 or 21 to a representative of a					
2	foreign non-main proceeding after recognition of a foreign main proceeding					
3	must be consistent with the foreign main proceeding;					
4						
5	(b) If a foreign main proceeding is recognized after recognition, or					
6	after the filing of an application for recognition, of a foreign non-main					
7	proceeding, any relief in effect under article 19 or 21 shall be reviewed by the					
8	court and shall be modified or terminated if inconsistent with the foreign main					
9	proceeding;					
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11	(c) If, after recognition of a foreign non-main proceeding, another					
12	foreign non-main proceeding is recognized, the court shall grant, modify or					
13	terminate relief for the purpose of facilitating coordination of the proceedings.					
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15	Article 31					
16	Presumption of insolveney based on reaccapition of a foreign					
16 17	Presumption of insolvency based on recognition of a foreign main proceeding					
18	In the absence of evidence to the contrary, recognition of a foreign main					
19	proceeding is, for the purpose of commencing a proceeding under [identify laws					
20	of the enacting State relating to insolvency], proof that the debtor is insolvent.					
21	Article 32					
22	Rule of payment in concurrent proceedings					
23	Without prejudice to secured claims or rights in rem, a creditor who has					
24	received part payment in respect of its claim in a proceeding pursuant to a law					
25	relating to insolvency in a foreign State may not receive a payment for the same					
26	claim in a proceeding under [identify laws of the enacting State relating to					
27	insolvency] regarding the same debtor, so long as the payment to the other					
28	creditors of the same class is proportionately less than the payment the creditor					
29	has already received.					

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