

ARTICLE 14

Minimum Insurance Period

1. If the total duration of insurance periods completed under the legislation of a Contracting State is less than one year, the competent institution shall not be required to apply the totalization set out in Articles 11, 12 and 13 to confer a benefit. However, if those insurance periods are sufficient to establish eligibility for a benefit under that legislation, the benefit shall then be payable based only on those periods.
2. The periods set out in paragraph 1 may nonetheless be taken into account to establish eligibility for, and to determine the amount of a benefit under the legislation of the other Contracting State.

CHAPTER 2

BENEFITS UNDER THE LEGISLATION OF CANADA

ARTICLE 15

Definition of Certain Periods of Residence with respect to the Legislation of Canada

1. For the purposes of calculating the amount of benefits under the *Old Age Security Act*:
 - (a) If a person is subject to the *Canada Pension Plan* or to the comprehensive pension plan of a province of Canada during any period of presence or residence in France, that period shall be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person, as well as for that person's spouse or common-law partner and dependants who reside with that person and who are not subject to the legislation of France by reason of employment or self-employment.
 - (b) If a person is subject to the legislation of France during any period of presence or residence in Canada, that period for that person, and for that person's spouse or common-law partner and dependants who reside with them, shall be determined according to the provisions of the legislation of Canada.
2. For the purposes of paragraph 1:
 - (a) A person shall be considered to be subject to the *Canada Pension Plan* or to the comprehensive pension plan of a province of Canada during a period of presence or residence in France only if that person contributes to the plan in question during that period.