

**PART I**  
**DEFINITIONS AND LEGISLATIONS**

**Article 1**

1. For the purposes of applying this Convention:
  - a) "Government of Canada"  
means the Government in its capacity as representative of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada and represented by the Minister of Employment and Immigration;
  - b) "national"  
means, as regards Switzerland, a person of Swiss nationality, and as regards Canada, a Canadian citizen;
  - c) "legislation"  
means the laws and regulations specified in Article 2;
  - d) "competent authority"  
means, as regards Switzerland, the Federal Social Insurance Office, and, as regards Canada, the Minister or Ministers responsible for the application of the legislation of Canada;
  - e) "institution"  
means the agency or authority responsible for the application of the legislations specified in Article 2;
  - f) "reside"  
means, as regards Switzerland, to usually sojourn;
  - g) "domicile"  
means, within the meaning of the Swiss Civil Code, the place where a person lives and intends to establish his or her residence;