

ARTICLE 23

1. The competent authorities of Belgium and the competent authorities of provinces of Canada may conclude understandings concerning any social security legislation within provincial jurisdiction insofar as those understandings are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement.

2. Any understanding of this type constitutes an undertaking of an administrative nature between the two Parties and is annexed to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 24

This Agreement will be ratified and the instruments of ratification will be exchanged as soon as possible. It will come into force on the first day of the second month following the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

ARTICLE 25

1. This Agreement shall remain in force without any limitation on its duration. It may be denounced by either Contracting State giving twelve months' notice in writing to the other.

2. In the event of denunciation of this Agreement, any rights acquired by virtue of its provisions shall be maintained. Arrangements between the competent authorities of both Contracting States shall settle the disposition of rights in the course of acquisition.