

## Article 26

The Swiss Federal Council and a province of Canada may conclude understandings concerning any social security matter within provincial jurisdiction in Canada in so far as those understandings are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Convention.

## PART VI

### TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

## Article 27

1. This Convention shall also apply to events which occurred prior to its entry into force.
2. This Convention shall not confer any right to payment of a benefit for any period before its entry into force or to payment of a lump-sum death benefit if the person died before its entry into force.
3. Any period of insurance and any period of residence completed under the legislation of either State before the entry into force of this Convention shall be taken into consideration in the determination of the right to a benefit under the provisions of this Convention.
4. This Convention shall not apply to rights settled by a lump-sum payment or a refund of contributions.
5. Decisions made before the entry into force of this Convention shall not affect any rights arising from the application of this Convention.
6. The entry into force of this Convention shall not result in the reduction of the amount of the benefits in kind being received by beneficiaries.