PART III

PROVISIONS CONCERNING BENEFITS

CHAPTER 1

TOTALIZING

ARTICLE 12

Periods under the Legislation of Canada and the Republic of Macedonia

1. If a person is not eligible for a benefit because he or she has not accumulated sufficient creditable periods under the legislation of a Party, the eligibility of that person for that benefit shall be determined by totalizing these periods and those specified in paragraphs 2 through 4, provided that the periods do not overlap.

2.	1)	For purposes of determining eligibility for a benefit under the Old Age Security Act of Canada, a creditable period under the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia shall be considered as a period of residence in Canada;
	2)	For purposes of determining eligibility for a benefit under the <i>Canada Pension Plan</i> , a calendar year including at least 3 months which are creditable periods under the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia shall be considered as a year which is creditable under the <i>Canada Pension Plan</i> .

3. For purposes of determining eligibility for an old age pension under the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia:

- 1) a calendar year which is a creditable period under the *Canada Pension Plan* shall be considered as 12 months which are creditable under the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia;
- 2) a month which is a creditable period under the Old Age Security Act of Canada and which is not part of a creditable period under the Canada Pension Plan shall be considered as a month which is creditable under the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia.