

**“competent institution”** means, in relation to Australia, the institution responsible for the administration of the legislation of Australia and, in relation to Canada, the competent authority;

**“disability support pension”** means a disability support pension payable under the legislation of Australia to a person who is severely disabled;

**“legislation”** means, in relation to a Party, the laws specified in Article 2 in relation to that Party;

**“partner”** when used in relation to the grant, payment or calculation of rate of an Australian benefit, means partner as defined in the legislation of Australia.

**“period of Australian working life residence”** means, in relation to a person, a period defined as such in the legislation of Australia, but does not include any period deemed pursuant to Article 6 to be a period in which that person was an Australian resident;

**“previous agreement”** means the *Reciprocal Agreement on Social Security between the Government of Canada and the Government of Australia* signed on the fourth day of July 1988, as amended by a Protocol signed on the eleventh day of October 1990;

**“social security laws”** means:

- (i) in relation to Australia, the Acts forming the social security law, including regulations made thereunder, as amended; and
- (ii) in relation to Canada, the laws specified in subparagraph 1(b) of Article 2;

**“widowed person”** means, in relation to Australia, a person who stops being a partnered person because of the death of the person’s partner, but does not include a person who has a new partner.

2. In the application by a Party of this Agreement to a person, any term not defined in this Article shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning assigned to it in the social security laws of either Party or, in the event of a conflict of meaning, by whichever of those laws is the more applicable to the circumstances of that person.

## ARTICLE 2

### Legislative Scope

1. Subject to paragraph 2, this Agreement shall apply to the following laws, as amended at the date of signature of this Agreement, and to any laws that subsequently amend, supplement or replace them:
  - (a) in relation to Australia, the Acts and regulations forming the social security law to the extent they provide for and apply to:
    - (i) age pensions;
    - (ii) disability support pensions;