into force of this Agreement, within six months after that date.

- (c) The employer of a person referred to in this paragraph shall respect all the requirements prescribed for all other employers by the applicable legislation.
- (d) The provisions of this paragraph shall apply equally to a person employed by an Irish governmental agency.
- 6. The competent authorities of the Parties may, by common agreement, modify the application of the provisions of this Article with respect to any persons or categories of persons.

## Article VII Definition of Certain Periods of Residence with Respect to the Legislation of Canada

For the purpose of calculating benefits under the Old Age Security Act,

- (a) if a person is subject to the Canada Pension Plan or to the comprehensive pension plan of a province of Canada during any period of residence in the territory of Ireland, that period shall be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person as well as for that person's spouse and dependants who reside with him or her and who are not subject to the legislation of Ireland as an employed person or as a self-employed person; and
- (b) if a person is subject to the legislation of Ireland during any period of residence in the territory of Canada, that period shall not be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person and for that person's spouse and dependants who reside with him or her and who are not subject to the Canada Pension Plan or to the comprehensive pension plan of a province of Canada by reason of employment or self-employment.