

**ARTICLE 4****Equality of Treatment**

1. Subject to paragraph 2, any person who is or has been subject to the legislation of a Party, and any other person who derives rights under the legislation of that Party from that person, shall be subject to the obligations of the legislation of the other Party and shall be eligible for the benefits of that legislation under the same conditions as nationals of the latter Party.
2. Paragraph 1 shall not apply to the transitional provisions of the *Act on State Pensions* of the Republic of Latvia regarding creditable periods accumulated prior to 1 January 1991 outside the Republic of Latvia.

**ARTICLE 5****Export of Benefits**

1. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, a benefit payable under the legislation of a Party to a person described in Article 3, including a benefit acquired by virtue of this Agreement, shall not be subject to any reduction, modification, suspension, cancellation or confiscation by reason only of the fact that the person resides in the territory of the other Party, and that benefit shall be paid when that person is in the territory of the other Party.
2. A benefit under the legislation of a Party shall be paid to a person described in Article 3 who is in a third State under the same conditions and in the same amount as to a national of that Party who is in that third State.