

**ARTICLE 13****Periods under the System of a Third State**

If a person is not eligible for a benefit on the basis of the creditable periods under the legislation of the Contracting Parties, totalized as provided in Article 12 of this Agreement, the eligibility of that person for that benefit shall be determined by totalizing these periods and periods completed under the system of a third State with which both Contracting Parties are bound by social security treaties which provide for the totalizing of periods.

**ARTICLE 14****Minimum Period to be Totalized**

If the total duration of the creditable periods accumulated by a person under the legislation of a Contracting Party is less than one year and if, taking into account only those periods, a right to a benefit does not exist under the legislation of that Contracting Party, the competent institution of that Contracting Party shall not be required to pay a benefit to that person for those periods. These creditable periods shall, however, be taken into consideration by the competent institution of the other Contracting Party to determine eligibility for the benefits of that Contracting Party through the application of Chapter 1.