

AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL SECURITY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF
CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND

The Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of Finland,
RESOLVED to co-operate in the field of social security,
HAVE DECIDED to conclude an agreement for this purpose, and
Have agreed as follows:

PART I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE I

Definitions

1. For the purposes of this Agreement,
 - (a) "Government of Canada" means the Government in its capacity as representative of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada and represented by the Minister of National Health and Welfare;
 - (b) "territory" means, as regards Canada, the territory of Canada; and, as regards Finland, the territory of Finland;
 - (c) "legislation" means the laws and regulations specified in Article II;
 - (d) "competent authority" means, as regards Canada, the Minister or Ministers responsible for the administration of the legislation of Canada; and, as regards Finland, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health;
 - (e) "competent institution" means, as regards Canada, the competent authority; and, as regards Finland, the authority from which the person concerned is entitled to receive a benefit or would be entitled to receive the benefit in question if that person were resident in Finland;
 - (f) "creditable period" means a period of contributions, insurance or residence, or an equivalent period, used to acquire the right to a benefit under the legislation of either Party;