

- (ii) The amount of the flat rate portion of the benefit payable under the provisions of this Agreement shall, in this case, be determined by multiplying:

the amount of the flat rate portion of the benefit determined under the provisions of the Canada Pension Plan

by

the ratio that the periods of contributions to the Canada Pension Plan represent in relation to the minimum qualifying period for entitlement to that benefit under the Canada Pension Plan.

- (c) No benefit shall be paid under this Article unless the contributor has reached an age at which his contributory period, as defined in the Canada Pension Plan, is at least equal to the minimum qualifying period under the legislation of Canada for entitlement to the benefit in question.

PART III

Miscellaneous Provisions

CHAPTER 1

Administrative and Legal Assistance

ARTICLE 16

(1) The institutions, associations of German institutions, and authorities of the Contracting States shall provide mutual assistance to each other in the application of the legislation specified in Article 2(1) and in the implementation of this Agreement, in the same manner in which they apply their own legislation. With the exception of any cash expenditures relating thereto, such assistance shall be provided free of charge.

(2) The institution of one Contracting State, when requested by the institution of the other Contracting State, shall, to the extent permitted by its legislation, provide to that institution free of charge any medical data and documents in its possession relating to the general disability of an applicant or beneficiary.

(3) If the institution of one Contracting State requires an applicant or beneficiary to undergo a medical examination, such examination, on the request of that institution and at its expense, shall be arranged or carried out by the institution of the other Contracting State where the applicant or beneficiary resides.