

ARTICLE 28

Payment of Benefits

1. The competent institution of a Party shall discharge its obligations under this Agreement in the currency of that Party.
2. Benefits shall be paid to beneficiaries free from any deduction for administrative expenses that may be incurred in paying the benefits.

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Resolution of Disputes

1. The competent authorities of the Parties shall resolve, to the extent possible, any disputes which might arise in interpreting or applying this Agreement according to its spirit and fundamental principles.
2. The Parties shall consult promptly at the request of either concerning disputes which have not been resolved by the competent authorities in accordance with paragraph 1.
3. If a dispute cannot be resolved, it shall be submitted, at the request of either Party, to an arbitration tribunal consisting of one representative appointed by each of the Parties and by a third member chosen jointly by the two Parties, or, failing an agreement, by the President of the International Court of Justice.
4. The decision of the arbitrators shall be final and binding.

ARTICLE 30

Understandings with a Province of Canada

The relevant authority of Italy and a province of Canada may conclude understandings concerning any social security matter within provincial jurisdiction in Canada insofar as those understandings are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement.