

2. A claim for a benefit under the legislation of a Party made after the date of entry into force of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a claim for the corresponding benefit under the legislation of the other Party, provided that the applicant at the time of application:
 - (a) requests that it be considered an application under the legislation of the other Party, or
 - (b) provides information indicating that creditable periods have been completed under the legislation of the other Party.
3. In any case to which paragraph 1 or 2 of this Article applies, the authority or institution to which the claim, notice or appeal has been submitted shall transmit it without delay to the authority or institution of the other Party.

ARTICLE 19

Payment of Benefits

1.
 - (a) The competent institution of Canada shall discharge its obligations under this Agreement in the currency of Canada.
 - (b) The competent institution of Croatia shall discharge its obligations under this Agreement:
 - (i) in respect of a beneficiary resident in Croatia, in the currency of Croatia;
 - (ii) in respect of a beneficiary resident in Canada, in the currency of Canada; and
 - (iii) in respect of a beneficiary resident in a third State, in the currency of that State or in any currency freely convertible in that State.
2. Benefits shall be paid to beneficiaries free from any deduction for administrative expenses that may be incurred in paying the benefits.