PART I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

1. For the purposes of this Convention:

"competent authority" means, as regards Canada, the Minister or Ministers responsible for the application of the legislation of Canada; and, as regards the Kingdom of Morocco, the Minister responsible for the application of the Moroccan legislation;

"competent institution" means, as regards Canada, the competent authority; and, as regards the Kingdom of Morocco, the National Social Security Fund (Caisse Nationale de Sécurité Sociale) as the managing body of the General Social Security Scheme and as the representative of the other competent institutions of Morocco;

"legislation" means, as regards a Party, the laws and regulations specified in Article 2 (1) with respect to that Party;

"insurance period" means, as regards a Party, a period of contributions, employment, insurance or residence used to acquire the right to a benefit under the legislation of that Party; as regards Canada, it also means a period during which a disability pension is payable under the *Canada Pension Plan*, and, as regards the Kingdom of Morocco, equivalent or assimilated periods;

"benefit" means, as regards a Party, any cash benefit, pension or allowance for which provision is made in the legislation of either Party and includes any supplements or increases applicable to such a cash benefit, pension or allowance;

"residence" means, as regards Canada, residence as defined by the legislation of Canada; and, as regards the Kingdom of Morocco, ordinary residence as in the legal meaning of the term.

2. Any term not defined in this Article has the meaning assigned to it in the applicable legislation.