(b) For purposes of determining entitlement to the payment of a benefit under the *Canada Pension Plan*, a calendar year including at least one quarter of coverage credited under United States laws shall be considered as a year of coverage credited under the *Canada Pension Plan*.

ARTICLE IX

- (1) If a person is entitled to the payment of an Old Age Security pension or a spouse's allowance solely through the application of the totalizing provisions of Article VIII, the agency of Canada shall calculate the amount of the pension or spouse's allowance payable to that person in conformity with the provisions of the Old Age Security Act governing the payment of a partial pension or a spouse's allowance, exclusively on the basis of the periods of residence in Canada on or after January 1, 1952 which may be considered under that Act or are deemed as such under Article VI of this Agreement.
- (2) Paragraph (1) shall also apply to a person outside Canada who would be entitled to the payment of a full pension in Canada but who has not resided in Canada for the minimum period required by the Old Age Security Act for entitlement to the payment of a pension outside Canada.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement:
 - (a) an Old Age Security pension shall be paid to a person who is outside Canada only if that person's periods of residence, totalized as provided in Article VIII, are at least equal to the minimum period of residence in Canada required by the Old Age Security Act for entitlement to the payment of a pension outside Canada; and