

ARTICLE 9

Government and Similar Employment

1. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the provisions regarding social security of the *Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations* of 18 April 1961 and the *Vienna Convention on Consular Relations* of 24 April 1963 shall continue to apply.
2. A person engaged in government employment for a Party who is posted to work in the territory of the other Party shall, in respect of that employment, be subject only to the legislation of the first Party.
3. Except as provided in paragraphs 1 and 2, a person who resides in the territory of a Party and who is engaged therein in government employment for the other Party shall, in respect of that employment, be subject only to the legislation of the first Party.

ARTICLE 10

Exceptions

The competent authorities of the Parties may, by common agreement, modify the application of the provisions of Articles 6 to 9 with respect to any person or categories of persons.

ARTICLE 11

Definition of Certain Periods of Residence with Respect to the Legislation of Canada

1. For the purpose of calculating the amount of benefits under the *Old Age Security Act*:
 - 1) if a person is subject to the *Canada Pension Plan* or to the comprehensive pension plan of a province of Canada during any period of presence or residence in the Republic of Macedonia, that period shall be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person; it shall also be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person's spouse or common-law partner and dependants who reside with him or her and who are not subject to the legislation of the Republic of Macedonia by reason of employment or self-employment;