

3 arbitrators of whom each Party shall appoint one and the two arbitrators so appointed shall appoint a third who shall act as President; provided that, in default of agreement, the President of the International Court of Justice shall be requested to appoint the President.

4. The commission shall determine its own procedures.
5. The decision of the commission shall be final and binding.

ARTICLE XXI

Understandings with a Province of Canada

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

PART V

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE XXII

Transitional Provisions

1. Any creditable period completed before the date of entry into force of this Agreement shall be taken into account for the purpose of determining the right to a benefit under this Agreement and its amount.
2. No provision of this Agreement shall confer any right to receive payment of a benefit for a period before the date of entry into force of this Agreement.
3. Subject to paragraph 2, a benefit, other than a lump sum payment, shall be paid under this Agreement in respect of events which happened before the date of entry into force of this Agreement.