

ARTICLE 8**Government 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 Contracting Party who is posted to work in the territory of the other Contracting Party shall, in respect of that employment, be subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting Party.
3. Except as provided in paragraphs 1 and 2, a person who resides in the territory of a Contracting Party and who is engaged therein in government employment for the other Contracting Party shall, in respect of that employment, be subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting Party. However, if that person has, prior to the start of that employment, made contributions under the legislation of the employing Contracting Party, he or she may, within 6 months of the start of that employment or the entry into force of this Agreement, whichever is later, elect to be subject only to the legislation of the latter Contracting Party.
4. For the purposes of paragraph 3, a person shall be considered to reside:
 - (a) in Canada if he or she ordinarily resides in Canada, within the meaning given to the term "ordinarily resides" in the laws of Canada, and
 - (b) in the Slovak Republic if he or she permanently resides in the Slovak Republic, within the meaning given to the term "permanently resides" in the laws of the Slovak Republic.

ARTICLE 9**Exceptions**

The competent authorities of the Contracting Parties or their delegated institutions may, by common agreement, make exceptions to the provisions of Article 6 through 8.

ARTICLE 10**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*:
 - (a) 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 Slovak Republic, that period shall be considered as a period of residence in Canada for that person as well as 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 Slovak Republic by reason of employment or self-employment;