PART I GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE I

Definitions

1. For the purposes of this Agreement:

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

"competent authority" means, as regards a Contracting Party, the Minister or Ministers responsible for the legislation of that Contracting Party;

"competent institution" means:

as regards Canada, the competent authority; and,

as regards the Republic of Hungary, the institution or agency responsible for the application of the legislation of the Republic of Hungary;

"creditable period" means:

as regards Canada, a period of contributions or residence used to acquire the right to a benefit under the legislation of Canada, and includes a period during which a disability pension is payable under the *Canada Pension Plan*; and,

as regards the Republic of Hungary, a period of contributions under the legislation of the Republic of Hungary, or a period deemed equivalent to, or considered as, a period of contributions under that legislation;