(b) the amount of a benefit which has been determined before the entry into force of this Agreement shall be recalculated only at the request of the beneficiary.

If the claim for determination or recalculation of the amount of a benefit is submitted within two years from the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the benefit shall be paid from that date; otherwise the benefit shall be paid from the date determined under the legislation of each Party.

4. In the case of subparagraph 3.(b) of this Article, paragraph 3. of Article 14 shall apply accordingly.

ARTICLE 26

This Agreement shall not affect any existing rights under Austrian legislation of any person who has suffered disadvantages in the field of social security because of political or religious reasons or by reason of descent.

ARTICLE 27

- 1. This Agreement shall be ratified. The instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Ottawa as soon as possible.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the third month following the month in which the instruments of ratification are exchanged.
- 3. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period. Either Party may denounce it in writing, with twelve months previous notice.
- 4. In the event of termination of this Agreement by denunciation, any right acquired under its provisions not later than the effective date of that termination shall be maintained; negotiations shall take place for the settlement of any rights in the course of acquisition by virtue of the provisions of this Agreement.