

**PART I**  
**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**ARTICLE 1**

**Definitions**

1. For the purposes of this Agreement:

“territory” means:

as regards Canada, the territory of Canada; and

as regards the Republic of Macedonia, the territory of the Republic of Macedonia;

“benefit” means:

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

“competent authority” means:

as regards Canada, the Minister or Ministers responsible for the application of the legislation of Canada; and

as regards the Republic of Macedonia, the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy;

“competent institution” means:

as regards Canada, the competent authority; and

as regards the Republic of Macedonia, the institutions responsible for the application of the legislation specified in Article 2.1.2);