

The foregoing sentence, however, shall not apply if the applicant requests that his or her claim to the benefit of the other Party be delayed.

3. In any case to which paragraph 1 or 2 applies, the authority or institution to which the claim, notice or appeal has been submitted shall transmit it without delay to the authority or institution of the other Party.

Article XIX

Payment of Benefits

1.
 - (a) The competent institution of Canada shall discharge its obligations under this Agreement in the currency of Canada.
 - (b) The competent institution of St. Kitts and Nevis shall discharge its obligations under this Agreement:
 - (i) in respect of a beneficiary resident in St. Kitts and Nevis, in the currency of St. Kitts and Nevis;
 - (ii) in respect of a beneficiary resident in Canada, in the currency of Canada; and
 - (iii) in respect of a beneficiary resident in a third State, in any currency freely convertible in that State.
2. In the application of subparagraphs 1(b)(ii) and (iii), the conversion rate shall be the rate of exchange in effect on the day when the payment is made.
3. Benefits shall be paid to beneficiaries free from any deduction for administrative expenses that may be incurred in paying the benefits.