#### PART IV

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

### **ARTICLE 17**

## **Administrative Arrangement**

- 1. The competent authorities of the Parties shall establish, by means of an administrative arrangement, the measures necessary for the application of this Convention.
- 2. The liaison agencies of the Parties shall be designated in that arrangement.

#### ARTICLE 18

# **Exchange of Information and Mutual Assistance**

- 1. The competent authorities and institutions responsible for the application of this Convention:
  - (a) shall, to the extent permitted by the legislation which they administer, communicate to each other any information necessary for the application of this Convention;
  - (b) shall lend their good offices and furnish assistance to one another with regard to the determination of entitlement to and payment of any benefit under this Convention, or the legislation to which this Convention applies, as if the matter involved the application of their own legislation; and
  - (c) shall communicate to each other, as soon as possible, all information about the measures taken by them for the application of this Convention or about changes in their respective legislation in so far as these changes affect the application of this Convention.
- 2. The assistance referred to in subparagraph 1(b) shall be provided free of charge, subject to any provision contained in an Administrative Arrangement concluded pursuant to Article 17 for the reimbursement of certain types of expenses.