

5. The application of this Agreement shall not result in any reduction in the amount of a benefit to which entitlement was established prior to its entry into force.

## **ARTICLE 19**

### **Entry into Force**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the fourth month following the month in which the Parties shall have completed an exchange of diplomatic notes informing each other that their respective statutory and constitutional requirements necessary to give effect to this Agreement have been fulfilled.

## **ARTICLE 20**

### **Duration and Termination**

1. This Agreement shall remain in force and effect until the last day of the twelfth month following the month in which either Party gives the other Party written notification through diplomatic channels of its termination.
2. If this Agreement is terminated in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article, rights regarding entitlement to and payment of benefits acquired under it shall be retained.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

**DONE** at Tokyo, this fifteenth day of February 2006, in duplicate, in the English, French and Japanese languages, each text being equally authentic.

Joseph Caron

Taro Aso

**FOR CANADA**

**FOR JAPAN**