



**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WITH
RESPECT TO SOCIAL SECURITY**

The government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America,
RESOLVED to co-operate in the field of social security,

HAVE DECIDED to conclude an agreement for this purpose, and,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

PART I — GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE I

For the purpose of this Agreement:

- (1) "Territory" means,
as regards the United States, the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and American Samoa, and
as regards Canada, the territory of Canada;
- (2) "National" means,
as regards the United States, a national of the United States as defined in Section 101, Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended, and as regards Canada, a citizen of Canada;
- (3) "Laws" means,
the laws and regulations specified in Article II;
- (4) "Competent Authority" means,
as regards the United States, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and
as regards Canada, the Minister or Ministers of the Crown responsible for the administration of the laws specified in Article II(1)(b);
- (5) "Agency" means,
as regards the United States, the Social Security Administration, and
as regards Canada, for all matters other than those related to contributions: the Department of National Health and Welfare; for matters related to contributions: the Department of National Revenue — Taxation;