

**ARTICLE 13**

**Minimum Period to be Totalized**

If the total duration of the creditable periods accumulated by a person under the legislation of a Contracting Party is less than one year and if, taking into account only those periods, no right to a benefit exists under the legislation of that Contracting Party, the competent institution of that Contracting Party shall not be required to pay a benefit to that person in respect of those periods by virtue of this Agreement.