- (b) They shall communicate to each other any information required for the purposes of this Agreement and the legislation of the Contracting States specified in Article 2, in particular:
  - (i) the personal information and supporting evidence necessary for the competent institution of a Contracting State to process a claim for a benefit submitted by the liaison agency or competent institution of the other Contracting State. The following conditions shall apply:
    - (A) the personal information transmitted for that purpose shall be certified by the competent institution of the other Contracting State, which shall confirm that the information is corroborated by supporting evidence. The transmission of the certified claim form shall exempt the competent institution of that State from sending the corresponding supporting evidence.
    - (B) the personal information to which this paragraph applies shall be jointly determined and indicated on the corresponding forms.
  - (ii) on request and to the extent permitted by the applicable legislation, medical information and documentation that are available regarding the disability of an applicant or beneficiary.
- 2. Unless its disclosure is required under the legislation of a Contracting State, any information provided in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be used solely for the purposes of applying this Agreement and the legislation to which this Agreement applies. A Contracting State shall not disclose, to a third party, personal information obtained from the other Contracting State unless the other Contracting State is notified and consents to the disclosure, and the information is disclosed only for the purposes for which it was originally obtained.

## **ARTICLE 27**

## Exemption or Reduction of Taxes, Dues, Fees and Charges

- 1. Any exemptions or reductions of taxes, stamp fees, court fees, or registration fees prescribed by the legislation of one Contracting State for supporting evidence or other documents required to be produced to apply the legislation of that Contracting State shall extend to supporting evidence or other documents required to be produced to apply the legislation of the other Contracting State.
- 2. All acts, documents and supporting evidence that are required for the application of this Agreement shall be exempt from notarization.