

5. All creditable periods under the legislation of Peru, including those creditable periods completed prior to the date on which the contributor reaches the age of 18, shall be taken into account to determine an applicant's eligibility to a benefit under the legislation of Canada. However, a benefit shall not be paid unless the deceased or disabled person's contributory period is at least equivalent to the minimum qualifying period required under the *Canada Pension Plan* to establish eligibility to that benefit for that person.

ARTICLE 12

Periods under the Regime of a Third State

If a person is not eligible for a benefit on the basis of the creditable periods under the legislation of the Parties, totalized as provided in Article 11, the eligibility of that person for that benefit shall be determined by totalizing these periods and periods completed under the regime of a third State with which both Parties are bound by social security instruments that provide for the totalizing of periods.

ARTICLE 13

Minimum Period to be Totalized

If the total duration of the creditable periods accumulated under the legislation of a Party is less than one year and if, taking into account only those periods, the right to a benefit does not exist under the legislation of that Party, that Party shall not be required to pay a benefit in respect of those periods. The other Party shall, however, take these creditable periods into consideration to determine whether a person is eligible for the benefit under the legislation of that other Party through the application of Chapter 1.