

amount of the earnings-related portion of such benefit under the provisions of the Canada Pension Plan, exclusively on the basis of the pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan.

2. The amount of the flat-rate portion of the benefit payable by virtue of this Agreement shall, in a case referred to in paragraph 1, be determined by multiplying:

(a) the amount of the flat-rate portion of the benefit determined under the Canada Pension Plan by

(b) the fraction which represents the ratio of the periods of contributions to the Canada Pension Plan in relation to the minimum qualifying period required under the Canada Pension Plan for entitlement to that benefit,

but in no case shall that fraction exceed the value of one.

#### PART IV

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

#### ARTICLE 13

#### Lodgement of Documents

1. The date on which a claim, notice or appeal concerning the determination or payment of a benefit under the legislation of one Party is lodged with the competent authority of the other Party shall be treated, for all purposes concerning the matter to which it relates, as the date of lodgement of that document with the competent authority of the first Party.