

PART VTRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONSArticle XXII

1. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any creditable period completed before the date of entry into force of this Agreement shall be taken into account for the purpose of determining the right to a benefit under the Agreement.
2. No provision of this Agreement shall confer any right to receive payment of a benefit for a period before the date of entry into force of the Agreement.
3. Subject to paragraph 2, a benefit, other than a lump sum payment, shall be paid under this Agreement in respect of events which happened before the date of entry into force of the Agreement.

Article XXIII

1. This Agreement shall enter into force, after the conclusion of the administrative arrangement referred to in Article XV, on the first day of the second month following the month in which each Party shall have received from the other Party written notification that it has complied with all statutory and constitutional requirements for the entry into force of this Agreement.
2. This Agreement shall remain in force without any limitation on its duration. It may be denounced at any time by either Party giving twelve months' notice in writing to the other Party.