



European Interim Agreement on Social Security Schemes relating to Old Age, Invalidity and Survivors

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Annex III – Reservations to the Agreement formulated by the Contracting Parties

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Belgium

The benefit of guaranteed income instituted by the Belgian Law of 1 April 1969, in favour of aged persons and which is a non-contributory benefit subject to a means test, will only be granted to nationals of Contracting States whose legislation allows the award of equivalent advantages of Belgian nationals.

Denmark

The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to:

- the Convention on social security between Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, revised by the Agreement of 5 March 1981, in force as of 1 January 1982;
- the Convention on social security between Denmark and Turkey, signed on 22 January 1976, in force as of 1 February 1978.

France

- a. The additional non-contributory benefit subject to a means test, provided under the French Act of 30 June 1956 establishing a Fonds national de Solidarité, shall be granted only to nationals of those States whose legislation awards similar benefits to French nationals.
- b. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Law No. 65/555 of 10 July 1965, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic of 11 July 1965, extending to all persons of French nationality working elsewhere than on French territory (whether employees or not) the option of joining the voluntary insurance scheme.
- c. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Arrangement concluded in application of Article 21 of the Supplementary Agreement to the General Convention of 12 November 1949 between France and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, applicable to miners and equivalent categories, signed in Paris on 8 September 1970.
- d. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Law No. 76-1287 of 31 December 1976, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic on 1 January 1977, relating to the situation with regard to the social security of French workers seconded or expatriated abroad.

- e. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Law No. 80-471 of 27 June 1980, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic on 28 June 1980, extending the social protection of French nationals abroad.
- f. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Law No. 84-604 of 13 July 1984, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic on 14 July 1984, adopting various measures relating to the improvement of the social protection of French nationals abroad.

Iceland

The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Convention between Iceland, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden of 13 September 1961 revising the Convention of 15 September 1955 on Social Security, which is listed in Annex II.

Italy

The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to Act No. 153 of 30 April 1969 (modified and completed), which instituted a social pension in favour of persons without resources. It is a non-contributory benefit, subject to a means condition, the amount of which is determined in relation to income. The financing is entirely borne by the State.

Norway

- a. The provisions of the Agreement and Protocol shall not apply to the transitional provisions in paragraph 7-5 of the National Insurance Act of 17 June 1966.
- b. The provisions of the Agreement and Protocol shall not apply to:
 - the Convention between Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Sweden on social security of 5 March 1981, in force as of 1 January 1982;
 - the Administrative Agreement of 25 October 1982.
- c. The provisions of the Agreement and Protocol shall not apply to:
 - the Convention on social security between Norway and the Republic of Portugal of 5 June 1980, in force as of 1 September 1981;
 - the Administrative Agreement of 15 December 1980.

Sweden

- a. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to those parts of the General Insurance Act of 25 May 1962 (No. 381) which deal with supplementary pensions.
- b. The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the Convention on social security between Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway, dated 15 September 1955, revised by the Agreement of 2 December 1969.

United Kingdom

The provisions of the Agreement shall not apply to the obsolescent schemes for non-contributory old-age pensions in Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man, it being understood that equivalent benefits are available to the nationals of the contracting countries on the same conditions as to British nationals under the Supplementary Benefit schemes of Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man.