

SCHEDULE

Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Japan on Social Security

Article 1

1. For the purposes of this Agreement:
 - (a) “United Kingdom” means Great Britain and Northern Ireland and, where the context requires, also the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey and, similarly, references to “territory” in relation to the United Kingdom shall, where the context requires, mean also the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey;
 - (b) “Jersey” means the Island of Jersey;
 - (c) “Guernsey” means the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou;
 - (d) “legislation” means,
 - (i) in relation to Japan, the laws and regulations of Japan concerning the pension systems specified in paragraph 1(a) of Article 2 except those promulgated for the implementation of other agreements on social security comparable with this Agreement, and
 - (ii) in relation to the United Kingdom, the Acts, Laws and Orders in Council, orders and regulations of the United Kingdom specified in paragraphs 1(b) and 2 of Article 2 and the orders and regulations made under them;
 - (e) “the EEA Agreement” means the Agreement establishing the European Economic Area dated 2nd May 1992⁽¹⁾ made between the European Community, its Member States and the Member States of the European Free Trade Association and any amendments or modifications thereto;
 - (f) “compulsory coverage” means,
 - (i) in relation to Japan, liability for contributions under the legislation of Japan or exemption from liability for contributions by the legislation of Japan, and
 - (ii) in relation to the United Kingdom, liability for contributions as an employed or self-employed person under the legislation of the United Kingdom;
 - (g) “competent authority” means,
 - (i) in relation to Japan, any of the Governmental organizations competent for the Japanese pension systems specified in paragraph 1(a) of Article 2, and
 - (ii) in relation to the United Kingdom, the Commissioners of Inland Revenue or their authorised representative, the Department of Health and Social Security of the Isle of Man, the Employment and Social Security Committee of the States of Jersey or the Guernsey Social Security Authority as the case may require;
 - (h) “competent institution” means, in relation to Japan, any of the insurance institutions, or any association thereof, responsible for the operation of the Japanese pension systems specified in paragraph 1(a) of Article 2;

⁽¹⁾ Treaty Series No. 26 (1995) Cm. 2847