3. Paragraph 1 of this Article shall apply where a person who has been sent by his employer from the territory of a Contracting State to the territory of a third State is subsequently sent by that employer from the territory of the third State to the territory of the other Contracting State.

4. Where a person who is covered under the legislation of a Contracting State and who ordinarily works as a self-employed person in the territory of that Contracting State, works temporarily as a self-employed person only in the territory of the other Contracting State, that person shall be subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting State as if that person were working in the territory of the first Contracting State, provided that the period of the self-employed activity in the territory of the other Contracting State is not expected to exceed five years.

5. If the self-employed activity in the territory of the other Contracting State referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article continues beyond five years, the competent authorities of both Contracting States or the competent institutions designated by those competent authorities may agree that the self-employed person remains subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting State.

Article 8

Where a person works as an employed person on board a sea-going vessel flying the flag of a Contracting State and would otherwise be subject to the legislation of both Contracting States, that person is subject only to the legislation of that Contracting State.

However, where that person is employed by an employer with a place of business in the territory of the other Contracting State, that person shall be subject only to the legislation of that other Contracting State if that person resides in the territory of that other Contracting State.

Article 9

1. This Agreement shall not affect the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961, or the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of April 24, 1963.

2. Subject to paragraph 1 of this Article, where any civil servant of a Contracting State or any person treated as such in the legislation of that Contracting State is sent to work in the territory of the other Contracting State, that person shall be subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting State as if that person were working in the territory of the first Contracting State.

Article 10

At the request of an employed person and an employer or a self-employed person, the competent authorities of both Contracting States or the competent institutions designated by those competent authorities may agree to grant an exception to Articles 6 to 8, paragraph 2 of Article 9 and Article 13 in the interest of particular persons or categories of persons, provided that such persons or categories of persons shall be subject to the legislation of one of the Contracting States.

Article 11

As regards the accompanying spouse or children of a person who works in the territory of Japan and who is subject to the legislation of the Italian Republic in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 of Article 9 or Article 10:

(a) In cases in which the accompanying spouse or children are persons other than Japanese nationals, the legislation of Japan shall not apply to them. However, when the accompanying spouse or children so request, the foregoing shall not apply;

(b) In cases in which the accompanying spouse or children are Japanese nationals, the exemption from the legislation of Japan shall be determined in accordance with the legislation of Japan.

Article 12

Articles 6 to 8, paragraph 2 of Article 9, Article 11 and Article 13 shall apply only to compulsory coverage under the legislation of each Contracting State.