Article 13

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement other than the provisions of Article 10, as regards the Italian system specified in paragraph 1(b) of Article 2 and the Japanese system specified in paragraph 2(b) of Article 2, the following provisions shall apply:

(a) where a person who is covered under the Italian system specified in paragraph 1(b) of Article 2 or the Japanese system specified in paragraph 2(b) of Article 2 and employed in the territory of a Contracting State by an employer with a place of business in that territory is sent by that employer from that territory to work in the territory of the other Contracting State, the employed person shall be subject, with respect to that employment, only to the legislation of the first Contracting State, provided that the period of such detachment is not expected to exceed five years;

(b) If the detachment referred to in paragraph (a) 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 employed person remains subject only to the legislation of the first Contracting State;

(c) Paragraph (a) 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.

Article 14

1. The competent authorities of both Contracting States shall:

(a) agree on the administrative measures necessary for the implementation of this Agreement;

(b) designate, among the competent authorities or competent institutions, the liaison agencies which may communicate directly to each other in order to facilitate the implementation of this Agreement; and

(c) communicate to each other, as soon as possible, all information about changes to their respective legislation insofar as those changes affect the implementation of this Agreement.

2. The competent authorities and competent institutions of both Contracting States, within the scope of their respective authorities, shall provide any assistance necessary for the implementation of this Agreement. This assistance shall be provided free of charge.

Article 15

1. Insofar as the legislation and other relevant laws and regulations of a Contracting State contain provisions on an exemption or reduction of administrative charges or consular fees for documents to be submitted under the legislation of that Contracting State, those provisions shall also apply to documents to be submitted in the application of this Agreement and the legislation of the other Contracting State.

2. Documents which are presented for the purpose of this Agreement and the legislation of a Contracting State shall not require legalization or any other similar formality by diplomatic or consular authorities.

Article 16

1. In implementing this Agreement, the competent authorities, competent institutions and liaison agencies of both Contracting States may communicate directly in Japanese, Italian or English language with each other and with any concerned person wherever the person may reside.

2. In implementing this Agreement, the competent authorities, competent institutions and liaison agencies of a Contracting State may not reject applications or any other documents for the reason that they are written in the language of the other Contracting State.

Article 17

1. The competent authorities, competent institutions or liaison agencies of a Contracting State shall, in accordance with its laws and regulations, send to the competent authorities, competent institutions or liaison agencies of the other Contracting State information about an individual collected under its legislation insofar as the information is necessary for the implementation of this Agreement.