

**ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SOCIAL SECURITY
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND**

The Competent Authority of the Republic of Korea and
the Competent Authority of Ireland,

In conformity with paragraph 1 of Article 12 of the Agreement on Social Security between the Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Ireland, signed at Dublin on the 31st of October 2007, (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"),

Have agreed as follows:

**CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Article 1
Definitions

The terms used in this Administrative Arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the "Arrangement") shall have the same meaning as in the Agreement.

Article 2
Liaison Agencies

1. Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 12 of the Agreement, the liaison agencies are as follows:

- (a) in the Republic of Korea, the National Pension Service;
- (b) in Ireland, the Social Welfare Services of the Department of Social and Family Affairs.

2. The liaison agencies will assist one another in the application of the Agreement and are entrusted with the duties defined in this Arrangement. For the purpose of the Agreement they will facilitate communication between the Contracting Parties and may directly communicate with one another as well as with the persons concerned or the persons authorised by them.

Article 3
Forms and Procedures

1. The Agencies of both Contracting Parties shall agree upon joint procedures and forms necessary for the implementation of the Agreement and this Arrangement.

2. In accordance with measures to be agreed upon pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article, the Agency of one Contracting Party shall, upon request of the Agency of the other Contracting Party, furnish available information relating to the claim of any specified individual for the purposes of administering the Agreement.

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of Article 2 of the Agreement, the administrative assistance set out in this Arrangement includes the exchange of any information required by the Agency of Ireland for processing an application by a national of any Member State of the European Union who has also been covered under the legislation of Korea.

CHAPTER II PROVISIONS ON COVERAGE

Article 4 Certificate of Coverage

1. Where the legislation of a Contracting Party is applicable in accordance with any of the provisions of Part II of the Agreement, the Agency of that Contracting Party, upon request of the employer or self-employed person, shall issue a certificate stating that the employee or self-employed person is subject to the legislation and indicating the duration for which the certificate shall be valid. This certificate shall be proof that the employee or self-employed person is exempt from the legislation on compulsory coverage of the other Contracting Party.

2. The certificate referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be issued

(a) in Korea : by the National Pension Service;

(b) in Ireland : by the PRSI Special Collection Section, Department of Social and Family Affairs.

3. The Agency of a Contracting Party which issues a certificate referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall furnish a copy of the certificate to the Agency of the other Contracting Party as needed by the latter Agency.

CHAPTER III PROVISIONS ON BENEFITS

Article 5 Processing an Application

1. The Agency of the Contracting Party with which an application for benefits is first filed in accordance with Article 17 of the Agreement shall provide the Agency of the other Contracting Party with such evidence and other information as may be required to complete action on the claim.

2. The Agency of a Contracting Party which receives an application that was first filed with the Agency of the other Contracting Party shall without delay provide the Agency of the other Contracting Party with evidence and other available information as may be required for it to complete action on the claim.

3. The Agency of the Contracting Party with which an application for benefits has been filed shall verify the information pertaining to the applicant and his family members. The types of information to be verified shall be agreed upon by the Agencies of both Contracting Parties.

CHAPTER IV
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Article 6
Exchange of Statistics

The Agencies of the two Contracting Parties shall exchange statistics on the number of certificates issued under Article 3 of this Arrangement and on the payments made to beneficiaries under the Agreement. These statistics shall be furnished annually in a form to be agreed upon.

Article 7
Administrative Assistance

1. Where administrative assistance is requested under Article 13 of the Agreement, expenses other than regular personnel and operating costs of the Agency providing the assistance shall be reimbursed, except as may be agreed to by the Competent Authorities or Agencies of the Contracting Parties. Where the Agency of one Contracting Party requests administrative assistance from the Agency of the other Contracting Party that would not be free of charge under Article 13 of the Agreement, the Agency of the other Contracting Party shall inform the Agency of the first Contracting Party that the requested assistance will not be free of charge and will only provide such assistance if both Agencies agree upon the time and manner of reimbursing the costs.

2. Upon request, the Agency of either Contracting Party shall furnish without cost to the Agency of the other Contracting Party any medical information and documentation in its possession relevant to the disability of the claimant or beneficiary.

3. Where the Agency of one Contracting Party requires that a person in the territory of the other Contracting Party who is receiving or applying for benefits under the Agreement submit to a medical examination, such examination, if requested by that Agency, shall be arranged by the Agency of the other Contracting Party in accordance with the rules of the Agency making the arrangements. Payment of the expenses for the examination shall be determined in accordance with the regulations of the Agency which requests the examination.

4. The Agency of one Contracting Party shall reimburse amounts owed under paragraph 1 or 3 of this Article upon presentation of a statement of expenses by the Agency of the other Contracting Party.

Article 8

Entry into Force

This Arrangement shall enter into force on the date of entry into force of the Agreement and shall have the same period of validity.

DONE in duplicate at Seoul this 27th day of November, 2008, in the Korean and English languages, each text being equally authentic.

For the competent authority
of the Republic of Korea

For the competent authority
of Ireland