

**ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL SECURITY
BETWEEN
THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN
AND
THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES**

The competent authorities of the Kingdom of Sweden and of the Republic of the Philippines,

in conformity with paragraph 1 of Article 17 of the Agreement on Social Security between the Kingdom of Sweden (hereinafter referred to as "Sweden") and the Republic of the Philippines (hereinafter referred to as "the Philippines") signed at Stockholm, on 15 October 2015, (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"),

Have reached the following arrangement:



PART I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1
Definitions

The terms used in this Administrative Arrangement shall have the same meaning as in the Agreement.

Article 2
Competent Institutions

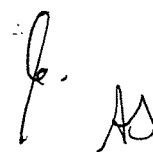
1. The competent institutions referred to in paragraph 1 (d) of Article 1 of the Agreement shall be:
 - a) for the Philippines,
 - (i) The Social Security System; and
 - (ii) The Government Service Insurance System.
 - b) for Sweden,
 - (i) The Swedish Social Insurance Agency, in relation to the application of the provisions in part II of the Agreement and to sickness compensation, activity compensation and benefits with respect to accidents at work and occupational diseases unless otherwise provided in (ii) of this subparagraph;
 - (ii) The Swedish Pensions Agency, in relation to the old-age pensions, survivors' pensions and survivors' benefits with respect to accidents at work and occupational diseases; and



- (iii) The Swedish Tax Agency, in relation to social security contributions as regards the legislation specified in paragraph 1 (b) in Article 2 of the Agreement.
2. The competent institutions shall in matters related to the application of the Arrangement co-operate and exchange information.

Article 3
Liaison Agencies

1. The liaison agencies referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 17 of the Agreement shall be:
- a) for the Philippines,
 - (i) The International Operations Division, Social Security System; and
 - (ii) The Operations Groups, Government Service Insurance System.
 - b) for Sweden,
 - (i) The Swedish Social Insurance Agency, in relation to the application of the provisions in part II of the Agreement and to sickness compensation, activity compensation and benefits with respect to accidents at work and occupational diseases unless otherwise provided in (ii) of this subparagraph;
 - (ii) The Swedish Pensions Agency, in relation to the old-age pensions, survivors' pensions and survivors' benefits with respect to accidents at work and occupational diseases; and
 - (iii) The Swedish Tax Agency, in relation to social security contributions as regards the legislation specified in paragraph 1 (b) in Article 2 of the Agreement.
2. The liaison agencies shall jointly decide on the procedures and forms necessary for the implementation of the Agreement and this Administrative Arrangement.

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PART II
PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

Article 4
Certificate of Coverage

1. Where the legislation of one Contracting State is applicable in accordance with any of the provisions of Articles 7 to 10 and 12 of the Agreement, the competent institution of that Contracting State shall issue a certificate stating that the employee is subject to the legislation of that Contracting State and indicating the duration for which the certificate shall be valid.
2. The original certificate described in paragraph 1 shall be given to the employee who has to keep it during the entire period of detachment in order to prove the status of coverage.
3. The competent institution of one Contracting State which issues the certificate referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall furnish one copy of this certificate to the employer of the employee and to the competent institution of the other Contracting State.

PART III
PROVISIONS CONCERNING BENEFITS

Article 5
Processing an Application

1. When the competent institution of one Contracting State receives an application for a benefit regarding a person who has completed creditable periods under the legislation of the other Contracting State, the competent institution receiving the application shall without delay send the application, using the form prescribed, to the competent institution

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in the other Contracting State, and indicating the date on which the application has been received.

2. Along with the application, the competent institution shall also submit to the competent institution of the other Contracting State:
 - a) data concerning civil status;
 - b) certificate concerning creditable periods;
 - c) any other available documentation that may be necessary for the institution of the other Contracting State to establish the applicant's eligibility for the benefit; and
 - d) a copy of its own decision, if any, on the benefit.
3. After having received the form concerning creditable periods, the competent institution of the other Contracting State shall add all information regarding the completed creditable periods pursuant to the legislation it applies and shall return it to the competent institution of the first Contracting State without delay.
4. The competent institution of the Contracting State shall after determination of the applicant's eligibility notify the applicant and the competent institution of the other Contracting State.

Article 6

Payment of Benefits

When the competent institution of one Contracting State pays benefits in a foreign currency other than that of the Contracting State, the conversion rate shall be the rate of exchange in effect on the day when the payment of the benefit is made.

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PART IV
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Article 7

Administrative Assistance

1. Where administrative assistance is requested under paragraph 1 of Article 18 of the Agreement, regular personnel and operating costs of the competent institution providing the assistance shall be provided free of charge. Reimbursement may be sought for other costs, except as may be agreed to by the competent authorities or competent institutions of both Contracting States.
2. The competent institution of one Contracting State shall provide, upon request, without cost, to the competent institution of the other Contracting State any medical information and documentation in its possession relevant to the disability of an applicant or beneficiary.
3. If the competent institution of one Contracting State requires that an applicant or a beneficiary who resides or stays in the territory of the other Contracting State undergo a medical examination, the competent institution of that other Contracting State, at the request of the competent institution of the first Contracting State, shall make arrangements for carrying out this examination in accordance with its rules and at the expense of the competent institution which requests the examination.
4. Upon receipt of a detailed statement of the costs incurred, the competent institution of the first Contracting State shall, without delay, reimburse the competent institution of the other Contracting State for the amounts due as a result of applying paragraph 3 of this Article.

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Article 8
Exchange of Statistics

The liaison agencies of the Contracting States shall according to paragraph 3 of Article 18 of the Agreement exchange statistics on the number of certificates issued under Article 4 of this Arrangement and the duration of these certificates. They shall also exchange statistics on the number of beneficiaries of benefits and the total amount of benefits paid, by type of benefit, to beneficiaries in the territory of the other Contracting State. These statistics shall be furnished annually in a form to be agreed upon by the competent institutions.

Article 9
Revision of and Amendment to the Arrangement

1. Each Contracting State may request a revision of or an amendment to this Arrangement. Such revision or amendment shall be made after mutual consultation or agreement.
2. The competent authorities may notify each other, in writing, of changes in the names of the competent institutions or liaison agencies without the need to modify the Administrative Arrangement.

Article 10
Entry into Force

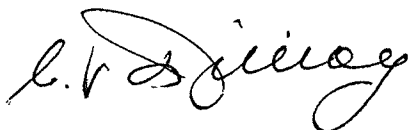
This Administrative Arrangement shall enter into force on the date of entry into force of the Agreement and shall have the same period of application.

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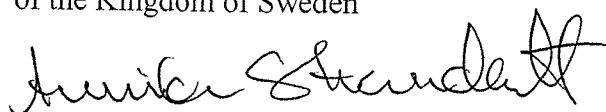
Signed in duplicate at Stockholm, on 15 October 2015 in the English and Swedish languages,
each text being equally valid.

In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the competent authority
of the Republic of the Philippines

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For the competent authority
of the Kingdom of Sweden

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