

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

The competent authorities of the Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway,

In conformity with paragraph 1 of Article 14 of the Agreement on Social Security between the Republic of Korea (hereinafter referred to as “Korea”) and the Kingdom of Norway (hereinafter referred to as “Norway”) signed at Oslo, on 13 June 2019, (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”),

Have reached the following arrangement:

**PART I
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Paragraph 1
Definitions**

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

Paragraph 2
Liaison Agencies

1. The liaison agencies referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 14 of the Agreement will be:

(a) for Korea,
the National Pension Service;

(b) for Norway,
unless otherwise provided in this Administrative Arrangement
the Directorate of Labour and Welfare.

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

PART II
PROVISIONS ON COVERAGE

Paragraph 3
Certificate of Coverage

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

2. The consent referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 6 of the Agreement will be requested before the end of the period of the exemption provided for in paragraph 1 of Article 6 of the Agreement. The request will be submitted to the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party.

3. As regards Norway, the liaison agency referred to in this Paragraph will be NAV Social Insurance and Contributions

PART III PROVISIONS ON BENEFITS

Paragraph 4 Processing a Claim

1. If the liaison agency of a Contracting Party receives a claim for a benefit under the legislation of the other Contracting Party, it will send the claim to the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party, indicating the date on which the claim was received.

2. Along with the claim, the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party will also transmit any documentation available to it which may be necessary for the agency of the other Contracting Party to establish the claimant's eligibility for the benefit.

3. The personal data regarding a claimant and his/her family members contained in the claim will be verified by the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party, which will confirm that the information is corroborated by documentary evidence.

4. In addition to the claim and documentation referred to in subparagraphs 1 and 2, the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party will send to the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party a liaison form which will indicate the periods of coverage under the legislation of the first Contracting Party.

5. The agency of the other Contracting Party will subsequently determine the claimant's eligibility and send to the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party a liaison form

which will indicate the periods of coverage under the legislation of the other Contracting Party. The agency of the other Contracting Party will through its liaison agency, notify the claimant and the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party of its decision.

6. As regards Norway, the liaison agency referred to in this Paragraph will be:

(a) for old-age pension, survivor's pension and funeral grants:
NAV Family Benefits and Pensions;

(b) for disability benefits:
NAV Work and Benefits.

Paragraph 5 **Medical Examinations**

1. The liaison agency of a Contracting Party will provide, upon request, without cost, to the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party such medical information and documentation as are available in its possession concerning the disability of a claimant or a beneficiary.

2. If the liaison agency of a Contracting Party requires that a claimant or a beneficiary who resides or stays in the territory of the other Contracting Party undergo a medical examination, the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party, at the request of the agency of the first Contracting Party, will make arrangements for carrying out this examination in accordance with its rules and at the expense of the requesting agency.

3. On receipt of a detailed statement of the costs incurred, the liaison agency of the first Contracting Party will, without delay, reimburse the liaison agency of the other Contracting Party for the amounts due as a result of applying subparagraph 2 of this Paragraph.

4. As regards Norway, the liaison agency referred to in this Paragraph will be NAV Work and Benefits.

Paragraph 6
Payment of Benefits

1. The liaison agencies will pay benefits directly to the entitled beneficiaries.

2. When the liaison agency of one Contracting Party pay benefits in the currency of the other Contracting Party, the conversion rate will be the rate of exchange in effect on the day when the payment is made.

Paragraph 7
Exchange of Statistics

The liaison agencies of the Contracting Parties will exchange statistics on an annual basis regarding the number of certificates which each has issued under Paragraph 3 of this Administrative Arrangement and the payments which each has made under the Agreement. These statistics will include data on the number of beneficiaries and the total amount of benefits paid, by type of benefit. These statistics will be furnished in a form to be jointly decided upon by the liaison agencies.

PART IV
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Paragraph 8
Co-operation of Liaison Agencies

Subject to this Administrative Arrangement, the liaison agencies of the Contracting Parties will jointly decide upon the forms and detailed procedures necessary to implement the Agreement.

Paragraph 9
Additional Principles

This Administrative Arrangement is not intended to create any legally binding obligations. This Administrative Arrangement will be carried out only within the framework of the Agreement and the respective legislation of the two countries.

Paragraph 10
Entry into Effect

This Administrative Arrangement will take effect on the date of the entry into force of the Agreement and will have the same period of duration.

Signed in duplicate in the Korean, Norwegian and English languages, each text being equally valid.

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

For the competent authority
of the Republic of Korea

For the competent authority
of the Kingdom of Norway

Date : _____

Date : _____

Place : Sejong

Place : Oslo