Article 17

In the event of the termination of the present Agreement, any rights acquired by a person in accordance with its provisions shall be maintained, and the Contracting Parties shall negotiate for the settlement of any rights then in course of acquisition by virtue of those provisions.

Article 18

The present Agreement shall enter into force at a date to be agreed between the Contracting Parties and shall remain in force for a period of one year from that date. Thereafter it shall continue in force from year to year unless notice of termination is given in writing by either Party at least six months before the expiry of any such yearly period.

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In witness whereof the undersigned, duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

Done in duplicate at London, this eighth day of June, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

Winston S. Churchill

For the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia:

Robert Menzies

Unemployment and Sickness Benefit

REGULATIONS, DATED 5TH FEBRUARY, 1954, MADE BY THE NATIONAL INSURANCE JOINT AUTHORITY UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1954. No. 22.

The National Insurance Joint Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 10 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946(**a**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948(**b**) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), as amended(**c**), and shall come into operation on the 5th February, 1954.

(**a**) 1946, c. 23.
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1948. No. 248.
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1949. No. 197; regs. 3 and 6 and Schedule A, National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952 (S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1952. No. 137); reg. 21 and Second Schedule, National Insurance (Maternity Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1953 (S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1953. No. 123).