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Acting Director of Retirement Claims

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General Counsel

International Social Security Agreement with Sweden

This is in response to your memorandum dated February 29, 1980, wherein you inquire as to whether there is any legal objection to the use of service and compensation under the Railroad Retirement Act to qualify a person for Swedish social security benefits when the credited service exceeds 120 months.

According to your memorandum the Government of Sweden is willing to permit individuals to qualify for a Swedish social security benefit based in part on railroad service not creditable under the Social Security Act since the individual has over 120 months of railroad service. There is no legal objection to the Swedish social security system granting such a benefit should it choose to do so.

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