Special Non Contributory Benefits – an overview of the EU scheme

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1. Social Insurance and Social Welfare in Europe - background

2. Introduction to the EU co-ordination scheme and a brief historical overview.

Key legislation : Reg 3 1958 , Reg 1408/71, Reg 883/2004, Reg 647/2005

Social security vs social assistance and the history of special noncontributory benefits (SNCB's)

Annex IIA

3. Personal scope of the scheme:

Extension of the Reg 1408/71 scheme to third country nationals (TCN's) Reg 859/2003

Extension of the Reg 883/2004 scheme to TCN's Reg 1231/2010 (UK out; Ireland in.)

The special situation of Turkish Citizens and the judgment in Akdas

Agreements with third countries

4. The EU Charter of Fundamental Rights – only applies to matter regulated by EU law

Art 1 – right to dignity

Art 34 - right to social and housing assistance

Art 41 – right to good administration

Art 47 – right to an effective remedy

5. The relationship between the right to free movement under:

the Citizens Directive;

the Long Term Residents Directive;

and now the Single Permit Directive; and

the social security co-ordination schemes.