EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ON RECIPROCAL FISHING PRIVILEGES IN CERTAIN AREAS OFF THEIR COASTS SIGNED AT OTTAWA APRIL 24, 1970(1)

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO THE AMBASSADOR OF CANADA

WASHINGTON, April 19, 1973

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## EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on reciprocal fishing privileges in certain areas off their coasts signed at Ottawa April 24, 1970. Representatives of the two Governments having met in Washington from April 10-14, 1973 to discuss amendment and extension of the Agreement, I have the honor to propose that, having in mind certain continuing discussions which are pertinent to the provisions of paragraph 2(b), this agreement shall be extended until April 24, 1974, subject to the following provision: after May 15, 1973, provided that both Governments agree that sufficient progress toward a final solution of the total west coast salmon problem has been made during the discussions in early May 1973, fishing for salmon under the terms of paragraph 2(b) shall be reduced to the following areas:

off the Pacific coast of the United States, seaward of a line joining Bonilla Point and Tatoosh Island and bounded on the south by a line projected due west from Cake Rock, (latitude 47 degrees 56 minutes 00 seconds north);

off the Pacific coast of Canada, between a line extending seaward from Cape Beale perpendicular to a line joining Cape Beale and Pachena Point and westward of a line joining Bonilla Point and Tatoosh Island;

or to any other areas which may be agreed to by both Governments; or it shall be reduced in any other manner agreed to by both Governments.

If both Governments do not so agree, this Agreement shall expire on June 15, 1973. However, representatives of the two Governments shall meet prior to any expiry date to decide on arrangements for possible amendment and/or extension of this agreement.

I have further the honor to propose that, if acceptable, this note and your reply accepting this proposal, in both the English and French languages, be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments, which Agreement shall enter into force on the date of your reply note.

<sup>(1)</sup> Treaty Series 1970 No. 11