

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE RELATING TO
THE DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE
CANADIAN ATLANTIC PROVINCES AND THE FRENCH
TERRITORIAL COLLECTIVITY OF ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON**

The Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of France, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

Determined to develop neighbourly relations between the Canadian Atlantic Provinces and the French territorial collectivity of St. Pierre and Miquelon to take into account the common interests of their people,

Desiring, to that end, to strengthen the existing ties between them and to develop diversified regional cooperation between those Provinces and the territorial collectivity of St. Pierre and Miquelon,

Bearing in mind the invitation extended by the federal Government of Canada to the Canadian Atlantic Provinces to contribute to this cooperation in areas within their jurisdiction,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall take all appropriate measures, within the limits of their respective jurisdictions, to organize and expand cooperation between them in the areas determined by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2

The issues relating to fisheries relations between Canada and France shall be the subject of a Procès-Verbal entered into pursuant to the Agreement of March 27, 1972.

ARTICLE 3

1. The Parties shall collaborate to preserve and develop the natural environment. In particular, they shall study measures that will promote protection of plant and animal life.

2. The Parties agree to collaborate in studying the marine environment and its future prospects, developing scientific cooperation in this field and examining possible joint activities in the field of aquaculture.