

fully compatible with the present bilateral effort to protect the marine environment in the region. United States officials also noted that increased shortfalls of Canadian natural gas and crude oil increased requirements for tanker traffic to meet United States regional energy requirements.

Examination of technical aspects of these problems will continue between the agencies concerned. Agencies represented on the American side were the Department of State, the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Council on Environmental Quality, the Coast Guard, the Water Resources Council, the Corps of Engineers and the State of Washington. On the Canadian side the Departments of External Affairs, Environment, Energy, Mines and Resources, and Finance, and the Province of British Columbia were represented.