

If we can now reach agreement on the two Atlantic Coast treaties within the desirable timetable - and this will be no easy task - I will be satisfied that our decision to negotiate solutions to our disputes was a sensible one and that the results are equally advantageous to both countries. My hope now is that our respective countries will confirm the judgment of the two Governments as to the satisfactory and acceptable nature of the outcome.

In reaching these agreements, I would like to acknowledge the support and active personal involvement of my colleague, Cyrus Vance, without whose commitment to a successful conclusion of these negotiations we would not be in a position to make this announcement today.