Both sides welcomed the opportunity for senior officials to have a frank exchange of views on the Garrison Diversion Unit and agreed that the dimensions of the project are now better understood within both governments. From the discussions, it became clear that further examination of the project as it affects Canada is required. Accordingly, the two sides agreed to recommend that the governments select an appropriate mechanism to undertake a joint examination of certain aspects of or adjustments to the project, to ensure that the provisions of Article IV of the Boundary Waters Treaty are honoured.

The United States' Delegation was composed of members from the Department of State, the Department of the Interior, the Council on Environmental Quality, the Environmental Protection Agency and the State of North Dakota. On the Canadian side, the Department of External Affairs, Environment Canada and the Government of Manitoba were represented. Congressman Mark Andrews attended as an observer.