

CANADA

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM  
OF NORWAY CONCERNING AN INTERNATIONAL OBSERVER SCHEME  
FOR LAND-BASED WHALING STATIONS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC AREA.**

The Governments of Canada, of the Republic of Iceland and of the Kingdom of Norway (hereinafter referred to as "Participating Governments") being Parties to the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling signed in Washington on December 2, 1946<sup>(1)</sup>, (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention"),

Proceeding from their mutual concern for the conservation of whale stocks in the North Atlantic Ocean, for the maintenance of the proper productivity of whaling from land stations and to ensure that the provisions of the Convention are being followed,

Have agreed on the following scheme for International Observers (hereinafter referred to as "Observers") at land stations or groups of land stations in the North Atlantic area pursuant to paragraph 1 (c) of the Schedule to the Convention dated January, 1972.

ARTICLE I

*Purpose of the Agreement*

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a scheme to provide for an exchange of Observers to maintain surveillance over whaling operations at the land-based whaling stations in Canada, Iceland and Norway.

ARTICLE II

*Nomination and Appointment of Observers*

1. Each Participating Government shall nominate to the International Whaling Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission"), a number of its nationals to act as Observers in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The number of Observers nominated by a Participating Government shall at least equal the number of land stations or group of land stations operating in that country.

2. From the Observers so nominated the Commission, or the Chairman acting on behalf of the Commission, will appoint at least one Observer for duty at each land station or group of land stations in the North Atlantic area. Each Participating Government may advise the Commission that certain named Observers are being nominated for successive periods of duty at the same land station or group of land stations and may rotate these Observers providing that due notice is given to the Secretary of the Commission to be transmitted to the other Participating Governments. One Observer shall be on duty at each land station or group of land stations throughout the whaling season.

<sup>(1)</sup> Treaty Series 1946 No. 54