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U.S. COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF IMPORTS OF
CANADIAN FRESH ATLANTIC GROUND FISH
U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION'S FINAL
DETERMINATION OF INJURY

The Minister for International Trade, James Kelleher, and the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Tom Siddon, today expressed their concern and disappointment over the U.S. International Trade Commission's (USITC) final determination of "injury" on fresh whole groundfish. This ruling will result in the application of countervailing duties on Canadian exports of fresh Atlantic groundfish to the U.S. market. In 1985 total Canadian exports of fish to the U.S. amounted to around \$1 billion of which fresh groundfish accounted for about \$150 million (whole fish \$60 million; fillets \$90 million).

However, the Ministers were pleased that the Commission determined that Canadian exports of fresh groundfish fillets were not a cause of injury to the U.S. domestic industry and as a consequence fresh fillets will not be subject to countervailing duties.

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