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## NOTICE TO READERS

The Canadian Embassy in Moscow has identified opportunities in the fisheries sector for export promotion in 1994/95. This points to the existence of particular opportunities which Canadian fish and seafood exporters might be encouraged to pursue. This document has been prepared with a view to providing small- to medium-sized Canadian fish and seafood exporters with basic information on the Russian market.

The report identifies market opportunities of potential interest to Canadian fish and seafood exporters and provides data on the characteristics of the Russia economy, such as economic structure and which species are consumed. Information on the domestic Russian seafood market includes data on imports, marketing opportunities, market access, and consumption. Lists of the major fish and seafood importers/distributors/users, International Trade Centres across Canada, and the Geographic Trade Divisions in the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade are provided as contact points for Canadian fish and seafood exporters interested in the Russian market.

Care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the information in this guideline at the time of preparation. *However, prudent Canadian fish and seafood exporters are advised to check all relevant details with their commercial contacts and to adhere strictly to the requirements and regulations set by Russian importers and authorities.*

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