

other states will take similar action since it is becoming increasingly apparent that there is no other effective way of preventing the rapid depletion of the living resources of the marine environment.

The Canadian Government is pledged to the development of the use of Canada's Arctic waters for the encouragement and expansion of Canada's northern economy and has adopted a functional and constructive approach to these questions which does not interfere with and indeed can facilitate the legitimate activities of others. The two bills reflect the deter-

mination of the Canadian Government to fulfil its responsibilities to its own people and to the international community to preserve the ecological balance of Canada and to protect and conserve the living resources of its marine environment.

The Canadian Government reaffirms its faith in the spirit of cooperation which Canada and the USA have shown throughout so much of the history of their relations and is confident that it will be possible to resolve their differences amicably and with mutual understanding.

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