The Government of Canada is prepared to undertake, on a reciprocal basis, efforts to avoid confrontation in the boundary regions by adopting flagstate enforcement procedures along the lines of the 1977 Reciprocal Fisheries Agreement. The Government of Canada is also prepared to convene a meeting of officials to discuss such arrangements at the earliest possible date.

The Government of Canada reaffirms its commitment to pursue negotiations on maritime boundaries and related resource arrangements, as well as a long term salmon interception agreement, in an effort to conclude mutually acceptable agreements as soon as possible. In addition, the Government of Canada is willing to discuss further the question of interim fisheries arrangements for the balance of 1978.

Ottawa, June 2, 1978.