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The instruments of ratification of the Convention between the United States and Canada for the extension of port privileges to halibut fishing vessels on the Pacific coast of the two countries were exchanged in Ottawa today by the United States Ambassador, Mr. Stanley Woodward, and the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. L.B. Pearson.

This exchange brings into force the Convention which was signed in Ottawa on March 24, 1950.

Under the terms of this agreement, Canada grants to United States halibut fishing vessels the privilege of landing catches and obtaining supplies, repairs and equipment in Canadian ports on the Pacific coast. In return, the United States grants the same privilege to Canadian halibut fishing vessels in Pacific coast ports of Alaska and the Continental United States.
