"I also fully agree that the actions of the two countries relating to jurisdictional matters in the boundary regions for the duration of our negotiations should be considered as not prejudicing the position of either country in the negotiation of a long-term agreement or in any third party procedures to which jurisdictional disputes might be submitted. I hope that mutual restraint by both sides will prevent the exacerbation of our differences in those regions.

"I believe as you that our common effort over the past eight months provides a firm basis for future progress. The dedication and statesmanship you have brought to these negotiations gives me confidence that we can resolve the issues before us in a comprehensive agreement that serves the important maritime interests of both countries.

Sincerely.

/s/

Lloyd N. Cutler"

Sincerely, 01/01-Thomas Ostrom Enders