

CANADA

PROTOCOL AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE HIGH SEAS FISHERIES OF THE NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN

The Governments of Canada, Japan and the United States of America,

Having regard to the International Convention for the High Seas Fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean, signed at Tokyo on the ninth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-two, its Annex and the Protocol thereto (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention"),

Sharing the view that the Convention has served to promote and coordinate scientific studies relating to the fishery resources of the North Pacific Ocean and its adjacent seas, and has aided in the conservation of these fishery resources,

Taking into account that each of the Contracting Parties has established new fishery jurisdiction in the Convention area,

Acknowledging that certain provisions of the Convention are not compatible with such jurisdiction, and

Desirous of amending the Convention,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Convention shall be amended to read as follows:

"The Governments of Canada, Japan and the United States of America have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

1. The area to which this Convention applies, hereinafter referred to as "the Convention area", shall be all waters, other than territorial waters, of the North Pacific Ocean which for the purposes hereof shall include the adjacent seas.

2. Nothing in this Convention shall be deemed to affect adversely (prejudice) the claims or position of any Contracting Party in regard to the limits of territorial waters or to the jurisdiction of a coastal state over fisheries.

3. For the purposes of this Convention the term "fishing vessel" shall mean any vessel engaged in catching fish or processing or transporting fish loaded in the Convention area, or any vessel outfitted for such activities, or any vessel in normal support of another vessel as described above.