

Text of Note given to United States Ambassador Enders
on June 2, 1978

The Department of External Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States and has the honour to refer to the Exchange of Notes completed April 11 constituting an Interim Reciprocal Fisheries Agreement for 1978, and to recent discussions between the Special Negotiators for Maritime Boundaries and Related Resource Issues with regard to the implementation of the Agreement.

Due to difficulties which have arisen with regard to the implementation of the 1978 Interim Reciprocal Fisheries Agreement, and which have not been resolved in the course of the discussions between the Special Negotiators, the Government of Canada is not at this time prepared to continue implementation on a provisional basis of the Agreement. Therefore, United States fishing vessels will not be permitted to continue fishing operations in Canadian fisheries waters after noon, local time, June 4, 1978 except those vessels fishing pursuant to the Convention for the Preservation of the Halibut Fishery in the Northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea of March 2, 1953.