Mr. Crosbie noted that because the change in regulations is the result of a previously successful GATT challenge by the U.S., the Canadian Government will be advising the U.S. of Canadian intentions later this year.

Mr. Siddon emphasized that Canada is following a process consistent with Canada's GATT obligations and the Government of Canada is committed to putting in place regulations that are in the interests of B.C. fisheries and consistent with our GATT obligations.