

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMEN-  
TATION OF ARTICLE XV, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE PACIFIC SALMON  
TREATY**

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada to the Ambassador of the  
United States of America

Ottawa, August 13, 1985

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the discussions between representatives of our two Governments and to the Treaty between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America concerning Pacific Salmon (the Treaty) and to confirm on behalf of the Government of Canada the understanding set out below that has been reached between our two Governments concerning the implementation of Article XV, paragraph 3 of the Treaty.

A. Prior to the first anniversary of the date of entry into force of the Treaty:

1. The Fraser River Panel established pursuant to the Treaty shall assume the following responsibilities consistent with the Treaty:

- (a) review and evaluate information provided by the Parties, pursuant to Article IV, paragraph 3, in order to provide recommendations to the Commission for the fishery regime included in Annex IV;
- (b) make proposals to the Commission regarding regulations for the harvest of Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon within the Fraser Panel Area (the Area);
- (c) collect in-season information on catches within the Area; review information on escapements within the Area; collate information provided by the Parties pursuant to sub-paragraphs D. 3 and D. 4 for fisheries outside the Area; conduct test fishing on Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon; collect data on upriver escapements by observation at Hell's Gate and through the conduct of a hydroacoustic program at Mission Bridge; and design and conduct studies to identify and discriminate between races of Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon harvested in the fisheries