



AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON RECIPROCAL FISHING PRIVILEGES IN CERTAIN AREAS OFF THEIR COASTS

The Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America,

CONSIDERING that both Governments have established exclusive fishery zones,

RECOGNIZING that fishermen of the two countries have traditionally fished for the same species in certain areas now encompassed within the exclusive fishery zones,

DEEMING it desirable to establish the terms and conditions under which nationals and vessels of each of the two countries may conduct, on a reciprocal basis, commercial fishing operations within certain areas off their coasts, and

HAVING in mind the mutuality of interest on the part of the two countries in the conservation and rational exploitation of certain living marine resources off their coasts,

Have agreed as follows:

- 1. For the purposes of this agreement,
 - (a) the reciprocal fishing area of the United States of America shall be the fishing zone established in 1966 south of 63° north latitude;
 - (b) the reciprocal fishing area of Canada shall be as follows:
 - (i) in those "Areas" listed in Order-in-Council P.C. 1967-2025 and Order-in-Council P.C. 1969-1109, issued by the Government of Canada on November 8, 1967, and June 11, 1969, respectively, those waters extending 9 miles seaward of the territorial sea of Canada as it existed in 1966;
 - (ii) in those areas not listed in the Orders-in-Council cited above, those waters south of 63° north latitude which are contiguous to and extend from three to twelve miles from the coast of Canada, with the exception of bays where they cease to exceed 24 miles in breadth.

Nothing in this agreement shall affect waters other than those referred to in this paragraph.

2. Nationals and vessels of each country may continue to fish within the reciprocal fishing area of the other country, except that there shall be no such fishing for the following:

- (a) any species of clam, scallop, crab, shrimp, lobster or herring;