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On August 26 and 27 representatives of the United States and Canadian Governments held discussions in Ottawa on a wide range of fisheries and territorial waters questions. The U.S.A. Delegation was headed by Deputy Under Secretary of State U. Alexis Johnson, and consisted also of:

William C. Harrington, Special Assistant for Fisheries to the Under Secretary, Department of State;

Fred E. Taylor, Deputy Special Assistant for Fisheries to the Under Secretary, Department of State;

Raymond T. Yingling, Assistant Legal Adviser, Department of State;

Donald L. McKernan, Director, Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Department of the Interior;

William M. Terry, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior;

Capt. H. Ost, United States Navy, Department of Defence.

The Canadian Delegation was headed by the Honourable Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs and the Honourable H.J. Robichaud, Minister of Fisheries and included also:

Mr. Marcel Cadieux, Deputy Under-Secretary and Legal Adviser, Department of External Affairs;

A.W.H. Needler, Deputy Minister of Fisheries;

Mr. S.V. Ozere, Assistant Deputy Minister of Fisheries;

Captain R.W. Murdoch, C.D., RCN;

Lieut./Cdr. G.D. Westwood, RCN;

Mr. J.A. Beezley, Department of External Affairs.

The discussions consisted of an opening round in a series of contemplated talks, the next of which will be held in Washington in September if possible. The American ambassador was in attendance.