Manitoba's fishing industry. Other subjects of continuing interest are tanker traffic on the West Coast, and the tanker traffic that would be associated with a proposed oil refinery at Eastport, Maine; and the proposed flooding of the Skagit Valley in British Columbia by a US utility company.

Defence Relations

Close co-operation between Canada and the USA during the Second World War established a lasting pattern of joint defence planning. The Permanent Joint Board on Defence, established by the Ogdensburg Agreement of 1940, ensures continuous consultation at the policy planning level on bilateral defence matters. Canada and the USA are founding members of NATO. The North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD) Agreement between Canada and the USA has, since 1958, provided for joint command of the air defence of North America. The Agreement was renewed for five years on March 11, 1981, during the visit of President Reagan to Ottawa. Bilateral discussions continue on plans to modernize North American aerospace defences.

The Canada-USA Defence Development and Defence Production Sharing Arrangements (DD/DPSA) are designed to ensure the maintenance of a long-term balance in reciprocal procurement of defence items and to utilize the industrial, scientific and technological resources of both countries in the interests of conti-During his visit to Ottawa in March, President Reagan reaffirmed with Prime Minister Trudeau the importance the two countries attach to the Arrangements as the basis for co-operation in the defence

Fisheries and Maritime Boundaries

In January 1977, Canada extended its fisheries jurisdiction to 200 miles; the US 200-mile zone came into force in March of that year. The two claims overlapped. It then became necessary to establish a new bilateral framework for fisheries management and co-operation as well as to delimit the maritime boundaries off the East Coast, in the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Dixon Entrance in the Pacific, and in the Beaufort

On August 1, 1977 the two governments appointed special negotiators to recommend a resolution