14. LOBSTER

		Imports			
Atlantic lobster	(MT)			t	
			Jan-Jul		
	<u> 1985</u>	<u> 1986</u>	1987	1987	1988
(A) Live:					
Canada	177	374	575	277	298
USA	13	50	184	69	268
(B) Frozen:					
Canada	32	106	339	169	651
					
USA Rock lobster(MT)	4 6 (Ise-Ebi], 1	101 fresh or	25 frozen)	13	28
USA			·	13 Jan-	
USA			·		
USA Rock lobster(MT) Hong Kong	(Ise-Ebi], 1	fresh or	frozen)	Jan	Jul
USA Rock lobster(MT) Hong Kong Indonesia	(Ise-Ebi], 1 1985 6 67	fresh or <u>1986</u> 54 56	frozen) 1987 2 98	Jan 1987 1 60	Jul 1988
USA Rock lobster(MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India	(Ise-Ebi], 1 1985 6 67 1,032	fresh or 1986 54 56 1,133	frozen) 1987 2 98 1,283	Jan <u>1987</u> 1 60 899	Jul 1988 0
USA Rock lobster(MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka	[Ise-Ebi], 1 1985 6 67 1,032 237	1986 54 56 1,133 247	1987 2 98 1,283 286	Jan 1987 1 60 899 194	Jul 1988 0 251 795
Cock lobster(MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka Cuba	[Ise-Ebi], 1 1985 6 67 1,032 237 3,042	1986 54 56 1,133 247 2,630	1987 2 98 1,283 286 2,791	Jan-1987 1 60 899 194 1,861	Jul 1988 0 251 795 66 1,800
Nock lobster (MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka Cuba Namibia	1985 6 67 1,032 237 3,042 1,526	1986 54 56 1,133 247 2,630 1,777	1987 2 98 1,283 286 2,791 1,289	Jan 1987 1 60 899 194 1,861 1,074	Jul 1988 0 251 795 66 1,800 1,514
Wook lobster (MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka Cuba Namibia S/Africa	1985 6 67 1,032 237 3,042 1,526 547	1986 54 56 1,133 247 2,630 1,777 616	1987 2 98 1,283 286 2,791 1,289 1,149	Jan 1987 1 60 899 194 1,861 1,074 668	Jul 1988 0 251 795 66 1,800 1,514 789
USA Rock lobster(MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka Cuba Namibia S/Africa Australia	1985 6 67 1,032 237 3,042 1,526 547 1,155	1986 54 56 1,133 247 2,630 1,777 616 1,181	1987 2 98 1,283 286 2,791 1,289 1,149 2,099	Jan 1987 1 60 899 194 1,861 1,074 668 1,842	Jul 1988 0 251 795 66 1,800 1,514 789 2,281
Wook lobster (MT) Hong Kong Indonesia India Sri Lanka Cuba Namibia S/Africa	1985 6 67 1,032 237 3,042 1,526 547	1986 54 56 1,133 247 2,630 1,777 616	1987 2 98 1,283 286 2,791 1,289 1,149 2,099	Jan 1987 1 60 899 194 1,861 1,074 668	Jul 1988 0 251 795 66 1,800 1,514 789

Market Situation and Outlook

- The market for Canadian Atlantic lobster continues its rapid expansion. The major growth is now appearing in frozen product as distribution spreads down the chain to family restaurants and supermarket outlets.
- The U.S. has increased dramatically its exports of live lobsters to Japan, however, much of this is likely Canadian product from the Boston market.
- Canadian lobster exports for 1988 should reach \$30 million, almost all new business generated during the last 4 years.