

fish treated under the dockside grading program. Also additional labour costs for dockside graders were reimbursed as part of that program. This business on its own could not afford, at this point in time, to pay more for fish since there has not yet been an increased return from the market place. Until such a time that there is an indication of a substantial return, the dockside grading program will not be feasible without the government differential payments. It is of specific concern to the Fogo Island Co-op that it receive assurance from the Federal Government that these differential payments will be forth-coming in the 1983 season.

As mentioned before, the production of saltfish was previously the main-stay of the Fogo Island Co-op. In fact, our success in saltfish is due in large part to our strong and long standing relationship with the Canadian Saltfish Corporation, who have supplied steady markets for our saltfish production. Today, most of our cod landings are still directed into the production of salt fish with only a limited percentage going into fillets. In 1982, baited hook cod was treated under the