The Ministers noted that they were pleased to see Canadian firms such as Stevenson Hluchan Associates Limited winning multilaterally-funded contracts such as this one in Barbados. Canada is the Inter-American Development Bank's sixth largest contributor. This project will provide a range of procurement opportunities to Canadian and other international suppliers. The Ministers strongly urge the numerous small and medium-sized fisheries equipment suppliers which have shown an interest in expanding their sales to export markets to look seriously at the opportunities provided by this project. There is an excellent match between Barbados' needs and Canada's expertise in this sector and Canadian firms can follow Stevenson Hluchan Associates Limited's lead in taking advantage of this.

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