



Treaty Series No. 71 (1963)

Declaration of Understanding regarding the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries

Washington, April 24, 1961

[The Declaration entered into force on June 5, 1963]

*Presented to Parliament by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
by Command of Her Majesty
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DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES

1. The Governments parties to the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries signed at Washington under date of February 8, 1949,⁽¹⁾ which Convention is hereinafter referred to as the Convention, hereby declare their understanding that the words "fish", "fishes", "fishery", "fisheries", and "fishing" as they appear in the Convention include and apply to mollusks, as well as finny fish.

2. Governments parties to the Convention may become parties to the present Declaration by:

- (a) Signature without reservation as to acceptance;
- (b) Signature with reservation as to acceptance, followed by acceptance;
or
- (c) Acceptance.

3. Acceptance shall be effected by written notification to the Government of the United States of America.

4. This Declaration shall enter into force on the date upon which all the Governments parties to the Convention have become parties to this Declaration.⁽²⁾ Any Government becoming a party to the Convention after this Declaration enters into force shall accept this Declaration, such acceptance to be effective on the same date that such Government becomes a party to the Convention.

5. The Government of the United States of America shall inform all Governments signatory or adhering to the Convention of all signatures and acceptances of this Declaration and of the date upon which this Declaration enters into force.

6. The original of this Declaration shall be deposited with the Government of the United States of America, which Government shall communicate certified copies thereof to all the Governments signatory or adhering to the Convention.

7. This Declaration shall bear the date on which it is opened for signature and shall remain open for signature or acceptance for a period of fourteen days thereafter, following which period it shall remain open for acceptance.

(1) "Treaty Series No. 62 (1950)", Cmd. 8071.

(2) The Declaration entered into force on June 5, 1963.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Declaration.

DONE at Washington this twenty-fourth day of April 1961, in the English language.

For Canada :

For Denmark :

K. KNUTH-WINTERFELDT
5-2-1961

For France :

HERVÉ ALPHAND
5-5-1961.

For the Federal Republic of Germany :

FRANZ KRAPF
May 8, 1961

For Iceland :

THOR THORS
May 8, 1961

For Italy :

For Norway :

FINN SKARTUM
May 8, 1961.

For Portugal :

L. ESTEVES FERNANDES
8/5/61

For Spain :

MARIANO YTURRALDE
5 de mayo de 1961

For the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics :

M. MENSHIKOV
May 8th, 1961.

For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

HAROLD CACCIA

May 2, 1961.

For the United States of America:

DEAN RUSK

With reservation as to acceptance.

April 24, 1961

ACCEPTANCES

Canada	September 15, 1961
Italy	September 14, 1961
Poland	June 5, 1963
United States of America	February 9, 1962

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