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SUBSIDIES

Questions Posed by the UNITED STATES Regarding the Updating Notification of CANADA¹

The following communication, dated 17 July 2002, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States.

1. INDUSTRIAL PROGRAMMES

A. Economic And Regional Development Agreements/General Development Agreements (ERDA)

- Who are the recipients of the grants, non-repayable and repayable contributions and loans provided under this programme? What is the criteria for receiving this subsidy?

B. Northern Ontario Development Fund

- Please provide the criteria the recipients must fulfill in order to receive this subsidy.

C. Strategic Technologies Programme

- Would you please provide an explanation of the policy objective “enhancing the international competitiveness of Canadian industry?” Does this mean assistance under this programme is contingent upon a company’s ability or intention to export its goods or services?

D. Fisheries Alternative Programme (FAP)

- Please explain in greater detail how this programme works. In your response, please address the following:
 1. What are the specific eligibility criteria? How are recipients selected?
 2. Please explain if this subsidy is available to businesses developing new products and services that are not linked to the fishing industry, or rather to those businesses that are linked to the fishing industry. Please provide

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examples of the types of projects that have received funding under this programme.

3. Describe any monitoring mechanism associated with this programme. For instance how do you measure the success of this programme or the economic impact it has on the community? How do you ensure that funds received under this programme are not channelled back into the fisheries sector?

E. Canada-Quebec Subsidiary Agreement on the Economic Development of Quebec Regions

- Please explain in greater detail how the Programme for the Economic Development of Salmon works. In your response, please address the following:
 1. What are the eligibility criteria?
 2. To what extent does this programme affect the commercial fishing industry?

F. Community Economic Adjustment Initiative Programme

- Please explain in greater detail how this programme works. In your response, please address the following:
 1. What are the specific eligibility criteria? How are recipients selected?
 2. Please explain if this subsidy is available to businesses developing new products and services that are not linked to the fishing industry, or rather to those businesses that are linked to the fishing industry. Examples of the types of projects that have received funding under this programme would be very useful.
 3. Describe any monitoring mechanism associated with this programme. For instance how do you measure the success of this programme or the economic impact it has on the community? How do you ensure that funds received under this programme are not channelled back into the fisheries sector?

G. Recreational Salmon Fishery Loan Programme

- Please explain in greater detail how this programme works. In your response please address the following:
 1. What is the eligibility criteria?
 2. What payments go to fish marketing or promotional campaigns, or for market studies and consumer surveys?
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