

## BOARD OF INQUIRY FOR GREAT LAKES FISHERIES

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*The Secretary of State to the Canadian Minister*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

*February 29, 1940*

SIR:

With reference to proposals which have been under consideration between representatives of our governments at Ottawa and Washington concerning the establishment of an International Board of Inquiry to consider and recommend measures for the conservation of the Great Lakes fisheries, I have the honor to confirm my understanding that an agreement for the establishment of such a Board has been reached in the following terms:

(1) The Board of Inquiry for the Great Lakes Fisheries shall be established, and shall consist of four members, two to be appointed by the Government of the United States of America and two to be appointed by the Canadian Government within three months from the date of this agreement.

(2) The Board shall make a study of the taking of fish in the Great Lakes, such study to be undertaken as soon as practicable. The Board shall make a report of its investigations to the two governments and shall make recommendations as to the methods for preserving and developing the fisheries of the Great Lakes.

I shall appreciate it if you will inform me whether the terms of the agreement as herein set forth are in accordance with the understanding of your

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<sup>1</sup> The International Board of Inquiry submitted its report and recommendations Aug. 6, 1942.