AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST
REPUBLICS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
ON FISHERIES

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist
Republics and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland have decided to conclude the
present Agreement and have appointed their Representatives:

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Vasili Vasilievich Kuznetsov, Deputy Minister of
Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist
Republics,

The Government of the United Kingdom Sir William Hayter, Her Majesty's Ambassador
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Moscow,

who, having exchanged full powers which have been found to be in good order and due form, have agreed on the following:-

ARTICLE I

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics agree to concede the right to fishing boats registered at the ports of the United Kingdom to fish in the waters of the Barents sea along the coast of the Kola Peninsula between the meridians thirty six degrees and thirty seven degrees fifty minutes of East longitude, along the mainland to the East of

the point of Cape Kanin between the meridians forty three degrees seventeen minutes and fifty one degrees of East longitude and also along the coast of Kolguev island, up to a distance of three sea miles from low water mark both on the mainland and on the islands; the right is also conceded to these boats to sail freely and to anchor in these waters.

ARTICLE 2

United Kingdom fishing boats entering Soviet ports and sheltered waters in extraordinary circumstances will be governed by the regulations laid down by the competent Soviet authorities.

ARTICLE 3

The present Agreement is subject to ratification. The exchange of the instruments of ratification shall take place as soon as possible in London.

The Agreement has been concluded for a period of five years and shall enter into force from the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

If neither of the parties has given notice of denunciation not later than one year before the termination of the above period in which the Agreement is in force, the Agreement will remain in force for a further five years and thus each time it will be considered to have been extended for a further five years unless one of the parties denounces it

not later than one year before the termination of the current five year period in which it is in force.

Done at Moscow on the 25th of May, 1956, in duplicate, both in the Russian and English languages and both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

B. Ryhuyef.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

MINUTE

TO ARTICLE I OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST
REPUBLICS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN
IRELAND ON FISHERIES OF MAY 25 1956

The permission given by the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to fishing vessels registered at the United Kingdom ports to engage in fishing, to navigate freely and anchor in the waters indicated in Article I of the Agreement shall not be considered to concede to such fishing vessels the right to engage in fishing, to navigate and anchor in such forbidden zones as may be established by the competent Soviet authorities inside the limits of the waters coming within the scope of the Agreement.

For the Government of the
Union of Soviet Socialist
Republics

B. Ryheryul.

For the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland