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To: All Ministry *Land Act* and *Fisheries Act* Delegated Decision Makers

Re: **Report of the Special Committee on Sustainable Aquaculture and aquaculture
licensing decisions**

I am writing to advise that effective immediately and until July 10, 2007, I am suspending my delegation of authority to make *Land Act* and *Fisheries Act* decisions pertaining to new finfish and shellfish aquaculture tenures and licences. Delegated authority to make *Land Act* and *Fisheries Act* decisions pertaining to re-issuance of tenure or amended licences is to continue unchanged.

I am taking this action at this time because of the impending delivery of the Special Committee on Sustainable Aquaculture (SCSA) report.

I fully expect you will advise affected applicants of my action and that I would be happy to discuss this with them at my earliest opportunity if they so wish.

Pat Bell
Minister