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Nathan Cullen, Member of Parliament (Skeena – Bulkley Valley)  
NDP Critic – Environment and National Parks  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Cullen,

On behalf of the Wilderness Committee's 30,000 members, I wanted to thank you for your recent public comments opposing the recent BC government decision to grant two salmon farming licenses near Klemtu, BC and in support of the BC Special Committee on Sustainable Aquaculture recommendation to ban all salmon farms from BC's central and north coast.

As you may know, the Wilderness Committee has long advocated for the protection of our wild salmon stocks and widely publicized the threats salmon farming has on wild salmon and the marine environment.

The number of salmon farms being approved over the past six years has been of significant concern to our members. Therefore, your criticism of the BC government approving more salmon farms along the central coast, and your support and recognition of the BC Special Committee on Sustainable Aquaculture recommendations is a welcome development.

Sincerely,

Geoff Senichenko  
Research Director

cc. Minister of Environment, The Honourable John Baird  
Mr. David McGuinty, MP & Liberal Environment Critic  
Mr. Bernard Bigras, MP & Bloc Quebecois Environment Critic