

Russ Fish Products Concern Sen. Bartlett

WASHINGTON—Senator E.L. (Bob) Bartlett has asked the U.S. Department of the Treasury to review the sale of Russian fishery products for evidence of dumping fish on the market.

Senator Bartlett reported that he had received numerous complaints from Alaska residents about the agreement under which Continental Seafoods, Inc., will import fishery products from the Soviet Union.

"The seriousness of this agreement lies in the fact that Russia has enormous fishing fleets at all times immediately off the coast of Al-

aska, and one of the most effective means to avoid high-seas competition for these fish would be to make certain that the American market is sufficiently depressed to discourage any American enterprise from competing with the Russians," Senator Bartlett wrote.

The Senator also wrote Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall requesting the department to ensure that any fishery product imported from Russia meet the high sanitary standards demanded of domestic products.

He observed that Russian fishery products had a long history of poor quality.