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Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two countries,

10 March 1965

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway;

Desiring to establish the boundary between the respective parts of the continental shelf; Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The dividing line between that part of the continental shelf which appertains to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and that part which appertains to the Kingdom of Norway shall be based, with certain minor divergencies for administrative convenience, on a line, every point of which is equidistant from the nearest points of the baselines from which the territorial sea of each country is measured.

Article 2

(1) In implementation of the principle set forth in article 1, the dividing line shall be arcs of Great Circles between the following points, in the sequence given below:

Point 1. 56° 05' 12" N., 3° 15' 00" E.

Point 2. 56° 35' 42" N., 2° 36' 48" E.

Point 3. 57° 54′ 18″ N., 1° 57′ 54″ E.

Point 4. 58° 25' 48" N., 1° 29' 00" E.

Point 5. 59° 17' 24" N., 1° 42' 42" E.

Point 6. 59° 53' 48" N., 2° 04' 36" E.

Point 7. 61° 21' 24" N., 1° 47' 24" E.

Point 8. 61° 44′ 12" N., 1° 33′ 36" E.

The positions of the points in this article are defined by latitude and longitude on European Datum (1st Adjustments 1950).

(2) The dividing line has been drawn on the chart annexed to this Agreement.

This Agreement was supplemented by a Protocol which was signed on 22 December 1978 and entered into force on 20 February 1980. The text of the Protocol is reproduced in <u>The Law of the sea: maritime boundary agreements (1970-1984)</u> (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.87.V.12), pp. 46-48.

Article 3

- (1) In the south the termination point of the dividing line shall be point No. 1, which is the point of intersection of the dividing lines between the continental shelves of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Kingdom of Norway and the Kingdom of Denmark. The position of the above-mentioned point No. 1 shall be subject to acceptance by the Kingdom of Denmark.
- (2) For the time being the Contracting Parties have not deemed it necessary to draw the dividing line further north than point No. 8.

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Article 4

If any single geological petroleum structure or petroleum field, or any single geological structure or field of any other mineral deposit, including sand or gravel, extends across the dividing line and the part of such structure or field which is situated on one side of the dividing line is exploitable, wholly or in part, from the other side of the dividing line, the Contracting Parties shall, in consultation with the licensees, if any, seek to reach agreement as to the manner in which the structure or field shall be most effectively exploited and the manner in which the proceeds deriving therefrom shall be apportioned.

Article 5

This Agreement shall not affect the status of the superjacent waters or air space above.

Article 6

- (1) This Agreement shall be ratified. Instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Oslo as soon as possible.
- (2) The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of instruments of ratification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at London the 10th day of March, 1965, in the English and Norwegian languages, both texts being equally authoritative.