

**Offshore boundary agreement between Abu Dhabi and Dubai,
18 February 1968**

In the name of God, the Merciful, the Compassionate,

This Agreement on the redefinition of the offshore boundary between the Emirates of Abu Dhabi and Dubai is concluded between His Highness Shaikh Zayid ibn Sultan Al Nahyan, the Ruler of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, and His Highness Shaikh Rashid ibn Sa'id al-Maktum, the Ruler of the Emirate of Dubai.

Considering that the present offshore boundary between the Emirates of Dubai and Abu Dhabi starts at Ras Hasian on the coast and extends seawards in a straight line in a northwesterly direction passing to the west of the Fateh wells belonging to the Emirate of Dubai;

And considering that the two contracting parties wish to redefine this boundary to the benefit of their countries and the well-being of their peoples;

Agreement and assent has been reached between the two contracting parties in respect of the following:

(1) This boundary shall be redefined in such a way as to annex to the Emirate of Dubai a part of the sea area lying to the west of the aforesaid present boundary and forming a parallelogram whose horizontal base is ten kilometres measured along the coast in a westerly direction from Ras Hasian and whose vertical side is equal in length to the present boundary referred to above, so that the area thus described shall lie to the west of the Fateh wells and extend in a southwesterly direction to the coast.

(2) The aforesaid area shall become part of the possessions and rights of Dubai.

This Agreement is hereby signed by the two contracting parties at as-Samih on the 18th day of February 1968, corresponding to the 20th day of Dhu al-Qa'dah, 1387 H.