Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two countries,
3 March 1966

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark,

Having decided to establish their common boundary between the parts of the continental shelf over which the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Kingdom of Denmark respectively exercise sovereign rights for the purpose of exploration and exploitation of the natural resources 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 Denmark is in principle a line which at every point 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 an arc of a Great Circle between the following points:
56° 05' 12" N., 3° 15' 00" E.
55° 50' 06" N., 3° 24' 00" E.

The positions of the two above-mentioned points are defined by latitude and longitude on European Datum (1st Adjustment 1950).

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

Article 3

(1) In the north the termination point of the dividing line 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 Denmark and the Kingdom of Norway.

(2) In the south the termination point of the dividing line 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 Denmark and the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

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 seek to reach agreement as to the exploitation of such structure or field.

Article 5

(1) This Agreement shall be ratified. Instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Copenhagen as soon as
(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 3rd day of March, 1966, in the English and Danish languages, both texts being equally authoritative.