

**Agreement between Denmark and Norway relating to the delimitation of the
continental shelf,
8 December 1965**

The Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway, having decided to establish the common boundary between the parts of the continental shelf over which Denmark and Norway respectively exercise sovereign rights for the purposes of the exploration and exploitation of natural resources, have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The boundary between those parts of the continental shelf over which Denmark and Norway respectively exercise sovereign rights shall be the median line which at every point is equidistant from the nearest points of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of each Contracting Party is measured.

Article 2

In order that the principle set forth in article 1 may be properly applied, the boundary shall consist of straight lines (compass lines) through the following points, in the sequence given below:

Point 1. 58° 15.8' N. 10° 02.0' E.
Point 2. 57° 59.3' N. 9° 23.0' E.
Point 3. 57° 41.8' N. 8° 53.3' E.
Point 4. 57° 37.1' N. 8° 27.5' E.
Point 5. 57° 29.9' N. 7° 59.0' E.
Point 6. 57° 10.5' N. 6° 56.2' E.
Point 7. 56° 35.5' N. 5° 02.0' E.
Point 8. 56° 05.2' N. 3° 15.0' E.

The geographical co-ordinates specified above refer to the annexed Norwegian hydrographic chart No. 301, 1941 edition, printed in November 1963, on which the dividing line has been drawn. The chart constitutes an integral part of this Agreement.

Article 3

The termination points of the Danish-Norwegian dividing line shall be the points at which the said line meets the dividing line delimiting those parts of the continental shelf which appertain to other States.

The Contracting Parties intend, if need be, to make a final determination of the said points after consultation with the third countries concerned.

Article 4

If it is established that natural resources on the sea-bed or in its subsoil extend on both sides of the dividing line between the areas of the continental shelf appertaining to the Contracting Parties in such a way that resources situated in the area of one Party are exploitable, wholly or in part, from the area of the other Party, an agreement shall be made, at the request of either Contracting Party, concerning the exploitation of the said natural resources.

Article 5

The present Agreement has been drawn up in duplicate in the Danish and Norwegian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

The Agreement shall be ratified, and the exchange of the instruments of ratification shall take place at Copenhagen.

The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of instruments of ratification.

Oslo, 8 December 1965