

**Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two countries,
29 May 1991**

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

Desiring to establish the common boundary between their respective parts of the continental shelf, taking full account of the current rules of international law on international boundaries in order to achieve an equitable solution,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The boundary 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 Belgium shall be a line composed of loxodromes joining in the sequence given the points defined as follows by their coordinates:

1. 51° 33' 28" N 02° 14' 18" E
2. 51° 36' 47" N 02° 15' 12" E
3. 51° 48' 18" N 02° 28' 54" E

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

2. The dividing line has been drawn by way of illustration on the chart annexed to this Agreement.

Article 2

1. If any single geological mineral oil or natural gas structure or field, or any single geological structure or field of any other mineral deposit extends across the boundary and the part of such structure or field which is situated on one side of the boundary is exploitable, wholly or in part, from the other side of the boundary, the Contracting Parties shall seek to reach agreement as to the exploitation of such structure or field.

2. In this article the term "mineral" is used in its most general, extensive and comprehensive sense and includes all non-living substances occurring on, in or under the ground, irrespective of chemical or physical state.

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the two Governments exchange notifications of their acceptance of this Agreement.

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

DONE in duplicate at Brussels the 29th day of May 1991, in the English, French and Dutch languages, the three texts being equally authoritative.