

No. 8616

**NETHERLANDS
and
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Agreement relating to the delimitation of the continental
shelf under the North Sea between the two countries
(with annexed chart). Signed at London, on 6 October
1965**

Official texts : Dutch and English.

Registered by the Netherlands on 17 April 1967.

**PAYS-BAS
et
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

**Accord relatif à la délimitation du plateau continental situé
sous la mer du Nord entre les deux pays (avec une carte
en annexe). Signé à Londres, le 6 octobre 1965**

Textes officiels néerlandais et anglais.

Enregistré par les Pays-Bas le 17 avril 1967.

No. 8616. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATING TO THE DELIMITATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF UNDER THE NORTH SEA BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. SIGNED AT LONDON, ON 6 OCTOBER 1965

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

Desiring to establish the boundary between the respective parts of the Continental Shelf under the North Sea on the basis of a line every point of which is equidistant from the nearest points of the baselines from which the territorial sea of each country is at present measured ;

Have agreed as follows : .

Article 1

(1) Subject to Article 2 of this Agreement 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 the Netherlands shall be arcs of Great Circles between the following points in the sequence given below :

1.	51° 48' 18" N.,	2° 28' 54" E.
2.	51 59 00	2 37 36
3.	52 01 00	2 39 30
4.	52 05 18	2 42 12
5.	52 06 00	2 42 54
6.	52 12 24	2 50 24
7.	52 17 24	2 56 00
8.	52 25 00	3 03 30
9.	52 37 18	3 11 00
10.	52 47 00	3 12 18
11.	52 53 00	3 10 30
12.	53 18 06	3 03 24

¹ Came into force on 23 December 1966, the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification at The Hague, in accordance with article 4.

13.	53°	28'	12"	N.,	3°	01'	00"	E.
14.	53	35	06		2	59	18	
15.	53	40	06		2	57	24	
16.	53	57	48		2	52	00	
17.	54	22	48		2	45	48	
18.	54	37	18		2	53	54	
19.	55	50	06		3	24	00	

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 on the chart¹ annexed to this Agreement.

Article 2

(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 the Netherlands and the Kingdom of Belgium.

(2) In the north the termination point of the dividing line shall be point No. 19, 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 the Netherlands and the Kingdom of Denmark.

Article 3

Should any dispute arise concerning the position of any installation or other device or a well's intake in relation to the dividing line, the Contracting Parties shall in consultation determine on which side of the dividing line the installation or other device or the well's intake is situated.

Article 4

(1) This Agreement shall be ratified. Instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at The Hague as soon as possible.

(2) This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of instruments of ratification.

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

¹ See insert between pp. 118 and 119 of this volume.

DONE in duplicate at London the 6th October, 1965 in the English and Netherlands languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland :

Walter PADLEY

For the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands :

D. W. VAN LYNDEN
