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**THAILAND, INDIA
and INDONESIA**

Agreement concerning the determination of the trijunction point and the delimitation of the related boundaries of the three countries in the Andaman Sea (with chart). Signed at New Delhi on 22 June 1978

Authentic texts: Thai, Hindi, Indonesian and English.

Registered by Thailand on 22 December 1980.

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Accord concernant la détermination du point de jonction et la délimitation des fonds marins des trois pays dans la mer d'Andaman (avec carte marine). Signé à New Delhi le 22 juin 1978

Textes authentiques: thaï, hindi, indonésien et anglais.

Enregistré par la Thaïlande le 22 décembre 1980.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA CONCERNING THE DETERMINATION OF THE TRIJUNCTION POINT AND THE DELIMITATION OF THE RELATED BOUNDARIES OF THE THREE COUNTRIES IN THE ANDAMAN SEA

The Government of the Kingdom of Thailand,

The Government of the Republic of India, and

The Government of the Republic of Indonesia,

Desiring to strengthen the existing historical bonds of friendship among the three countries,

And desiring to determine the trijunction point and to delimit the related boundaries of the three countries in the Andaman Sea,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. For the purposes of this article:

1. The trijunction point of Thailand, India and Indonesia in the Andaman Sea shall be a point whose co-ordinates are latitude 07°47'00" north, longitude 95°31'48" east.

2. The boundary of the continental shelves of India and Indonesia shall be formed by a straight line drawn from the trijunction point in the south-westerly direction to point number 0 mentioned in article I of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia on the extension of the 1974 continental shelf boundary between the two countries in the Andaman Sea and the Indian Ocean, signed at New Delhi on 14th of January 1977,² the co-ordinates of which are latitude 07°46'06" north, longitude 95°31'12" east.

3. The seabed boundary of Thailand and India shall be formed by a straight line drawn from the trijunction point in the north-easterly direction to point number 1 mentioned in article I of the Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Government of the Republic of India on the delimitation of the sea-bed boundary between the two countries in the Andaman Sea, signed in New Delhi on the 22nd of June 1978,³ the co-ordinates of which are latitude 07°48'00" north, longitude 95°32'48" east.

4. The seabed boundary of Thailand and Indonesia shall be formed by a straight line drawn from the trijunction point in the south-easterly direction

¹ Came into force on 2 March 1979 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Bangkok, in accordance with article V.

² See p. 161 of this volume.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1122, p. 3.

to point number L mentioned in article I of the Agreement Between the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia relating to the delimitation of the sea-bed boundary between the two countries in the Andaman Sea, signed at Jakarta on the 11th of December 1975,¹ the co-ordinates of which are latitude 07°46'.1 north, longitude 95°33'.1 east.

5. The co-ordinates of the points specified above are geographical co-ordinates derived from the British Admiralty Chart No. 830, published on 3rd January 1975 and the straight lines connecting them are indicated on chart attached as annexure A to this Agreement.²

6. The actual location of the above-mentioned points at sea shall be determined by a method to be mutually agreed upon by the competent authorities of the three respective Governments concerned.

7. For the purposes of paragraph 6, "competent authorities" in relation to the Kingdom of Thailand shall be Director of the Hydrographic Department, Thailand, and includes any person authorized by him; in relation to the Republic of India means the Chief Hydrographer to the Government of India, and includes any person authorized by him; and in relation to the Republic of Indonesia shall be the Chief of the Co-ordinating Body for National Survey and Mapping, Republic of Indonesia, and includes any person authorized by him.

Article II. The Government of the Kingdom of Thailand, the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia recognise and acknowledge the sovereign rights of the respective Governments over the seabed, including the subsoil thereof, within the limits established by this Agreement.

Article III. If any single geological petroleum or natural gas structure or field, or other mineral deposit of whatever character, extends across the boundary lines referred to in article I, the three Governments shall communicate to one another all information in this regard and shall seek to reach agreement as to the manner in which the structure, field or deposit will be most effectively exploited and the benefits arising from such exploitation will be equitably shared.

Article IV. Any dispute between the three Governments relating to the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled peacefully by consultation or negotiation.

Article V. This Agreement shall be ratified in accordance with the constitutional requirements of each country. It shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification which will take place at Bangkok as soon as possible.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1103, p. 209.

² See insert in a pocket at the end of this volume.

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

DONE in triplicate at New Delhi on the twenty-second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight, in the Thai, Hindi, Indonesian and English languages. In the event of any conflict between the texts, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government
of the Kingdom
of Thailand:

[Signed]

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For the Government
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