

No. 27204

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

Agreement concerning the delimitation of areas of the continental shelf between the two countries (with schedules and maps). Signed at Dublin on 7 November 1988

Authentic text: English.

Registered by Ireland on 3 May 1990.

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

Accord relatif à la délimitation des zones du plateau continental entre les deux pays (avec annexes et cartes). Signé à Dublin le 7 novembre 1988

Texte authentique : anglais.

Enregistré par l'Irlande le 3 mai 1990.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM CONCERNING THE DELIMITATION OF AREAS OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom,

Wishing to open up further opportunities for their respective off-shore petroleum and related industries by establishing boundaries between their respective parts of the continental shelf,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. IRISH SEA AND SOUTH-WEST AREA

(1) The boundary between the parts of the continental shelf which appertain to Ireland and the United Kingdom, respectively, in the area south of latitude 53°39' North shall be a line composed of parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude joining, in the sequence given in Schedule A to this Agreement, the points set out in that Schedule.

(2) This line, described as "Line A", has been drawn by way of illustration on Map A annexed to this Agreement.²

Article 2. NORTH-WEST AREA

(1) The boundary between the parts of the continental shelf which appertain to Ireland and the United Kingdom, respectively, in the area west of longitude 6°45' West shall be a line composed of parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude joining, in the sequence given in Schedule B to this Agreement, the points set out in that Schedule.

(2) This line, described as "Line B", has been drawn by way of illustration on Map B annexed to this Agreement.²

Article 3. CROSS-BOUNDARY FIELDS

If any oil, gas or condensate field extends across Line A or Line B and the part of such field which is situated on one side of the line is exploitable, wholly or in part, from the other side of the line, the two Governments shall make determined efforts to reach agreement as to the exploitation of such field.

Article 4. CONTINENTAL MARGIN

Nothing in this Agreement affects the position of either Government concerning the location of the outer edge of its continental margin.

Article 5. ENTRY INTO FORCE

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

¹ Came into force on 11 January 1990, the date on which the Parties notified each other of their acceptance, in accordance with article 5.

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

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

DONE in two originals at Dublin this 7th day of November 1988.

For the Government
of Ireland:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of the United Kingdom:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by Brian Lenihan — Signé par Brian Lenihan.

² Signed by Geoffrey Howe — Signé par Geoffrey Howe.