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# Agreement

between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Ireland establishing a Single Maritime Boundary between the Exclusive Economic Zones of the two countries and parts of their Continental Shelves

Dublin, 28 March 2013

[The Agreement is not in force]

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by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs  
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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND ESTABLISHING A SINGLE MARITIME BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND PARTS OF THEIR CONTINENTAL SHELVES**

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

*Having regard* to the Agreement of 7 November 1988<sup>1</sup> concerning the delimitation of areas of the continental shelf between the two countries, the Protocol supplementary thereto of 8 December 1992<sup>2</sup> and the Exchange of Notes dated 18 October 2001 and 31 October 2001 constituting an agreement on the provisional delimitation of an area of the continental shelf pursuant to Article 83, paragraph 3 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982<sup>3</sup>,

*Wishing* to establish a single maritime boundary between their exclusive economic zones and those parts of their continental shelves lying within 200 nautical miles of their respective baselines,

**HAVE AGREED** as follows:

ARTICLE 1

**Continental Shelf Boundary in the Irish Sea and the South West Area**

(1) Schedule A to the Agreement of 7 November 1988 is amended by substituting the following points on the WGS 84 Datum for the points set out at Positions 55 to 76 of the said Schedule:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Latitude</b>	<b>Longitude</b>
55	50°00'.00000 N	8°32'.02264 W
56	49°50'.00000 N	8°32'.02264 W
57	49°50'.00000 N	8°36'.00000 W
58	49°40'.00000 N	8°36'.00000 W
59	49°40'.00000 N	8°45'.00000 W
60	49°30'.00000 N	8°45'.00000 W
61	49°30'.00000 N	9°03'.00000 W
62	49°20'.00000 N	9°03'.00000 W
63	49°20'.00000 N	9°12'.00000 W
64	49°10'.00000 N	9°12'.00000 W

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<sup>1</sup> Treaty Series No. 020 (1990) Cm 990

<sup>2</sup> Treaty Series No. 047 (1993) Cm 2302

<sup>3</sup> Treaty Series No, 081 (1999) Cm 4524

65	49°10'.00000 N	9°17'.00000 W
66	49°00'.00000 N	9°17'.00000 W
67	49°00'.00000 N	9°24'.00000 W
68	48°50'.00000 N	9°24'.00000 W
69	48°50'.00000 N	9°24'.53688 W
70	48°30'.00000 N	9°24'.53688 W
71	48°30'.00000 N	9°48'.00000 W
72	48°20'.00000 N	9°48'.00000 W
73	48°20'.00000 N	9°55'.00241 W
74	48°10'.81127 N	9°55'.00241 W
75	48°10'.81127 N	10°48'.56229 W
76	48°00'.00000 N	10°37'.72709 W

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 1 of the Agreement of 7 November 1988, the points at Positions 75 and 76 are joined by a line every point of which is 200 nautical miles from the nearest point on the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is measured.

(3) That part of the continental shelf boundary established by Article 1, paragraph 1 of the Protocol of 8 December 1992 is extended by a straight line connecting Point H referred to therein to a new Point I at the following location on the WGS 84 Datum:

Point I                    53° 52'.22106 N                    5° 49'.53816 W

(4) The agreement pursuant to Article 83, paragraph 3 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982 on the provisional delimitation of an area of the continental shelf constituted by the Exchange of Notes dated 18 October 2001 and 31 October 2001 is hereby terminated.

## ARTICLE 2

### **Continental Shelf Boundary in the North West Area**

(1) Schedule B to the Agreement of 7 November 1988 is amended by substituting the following points on the WGS 84 Datum for the point set out at Position 121 of the said Schedule:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Latitude</b>	<b>Longitude</b>
121a	56° 40'.00000 N	14° 00'.00000 W
121b	56° 40'.00000 N	14° 10'.00000 W
121c	56° 34'.63126 N	14° 10'.00000 W
121d	56° 34'.63126 N	14° 19'.86168 W
121e	56° 49'.00000 N	14° 30'.57261 W

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 1 of the Agreement of 7 November 1988, points 121d and 121e referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article are joined by a line every point of which is 200 nautical miles from the nearest point on the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is measured.

(3) The boundary established by Schedule B to the Agreement of 7 November 1988 is extended by a straight line connecting the point at Position 95 to a new point at Position 95a at the following location on the WGS 84 Datum:

Position 95a      55° 24'.89173 N      6° 44'.64809 W

### ARTICLE 3

#### **Exclusive Economic Zone Boundaries**

(1) The continental shelf boundary in the Irish Sea and the South West Area established by paragraph 3 of Article 1 of the present Agreement, Article 1 of the Protocol of 8 December 1992 and paragraph 1 of Article 1 of the Agreement of 7 November 1988 between Positions 1 and 75 set out in Schedule A to that Agreement, as amended by Article 1 of the present Agreement, shall also be the boundary between the Exclusive Economic Zones of the two countries in these areas.

(2) The continental shelf boundary in the North West Area established by paragraph 3 of Article 2 of the present Agreement and paragraph 1 of Article 2 of the Agreement of 7 November 1988 between Positions 95 and 121d set out in Schedule B to that Agreement, as amended by Article 2 of the present Agreement, shall also be the boundary between the Exclusive Economic Zones of the two countries in this area.

(3) The boundaries defined by paragraphs (1) and (2) above have been drawn by way of illustration on the map annexed to the present Agreement.

### ARTICLE 4

#### **Entry into Force**

The present Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the two Governments exchange notifications of their acceptance thereof.

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

**DONE** in two originals at Dublin this twenty-eighth day of March, 2013

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

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