

D. Bilateral treaties

1. Treaty between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Poland
on the confirmation of the frontier between them, 14 November 1990

The Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Poland,

Endeavouring to establish their mutual, future-oriented relations in accordance with international law, in particular the Charter of the United Nations and the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, signed at Helsinki, and documents of subsequent meetings of the Conference,

Resolved to contribute jointly to the establishment of a European peace order in which frontiers will no longer divide and which will guarantee all European nations coexistence based on confidence and all-round cooperation for the good of all, as well as lasting peace, freedom and stability,

Deeply convinced that the unification of Germany as a State with definite frontiers is a significant contribution to the peace order in Europe,

Bearing in mind the Treaty on the Final Settlement with regard to Germany signed on 12 September 1990,

Mindful of the fact that 45 years have passed since the end of the Second World War, and conscious that the great suffering caused by that war, including also the loss by many Germans and Poles of their native land as a result of expulsion or resettlement, are a warning and a challenge for the establishment of peaceful relations between the two peoples and States,

Desiring to create lasting foundations for friendly coexistence through the development of their relations, and continuing the policy of lasting understanding and reconciliation between Germans and Poles,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties reaffirm the frontier between them, whose course is defined in the Agreement between the Polish Republic and the German Democratic Republic concerning the demarcation of the established and existing Polish-German State frontier of 6 July 1950 and agreements concluded with a view to implementing and supplementing the Agreement (Instrument confirming the demarcation of the State frontier between Poland and Germany of 27 January 1951; Agreement between the Polish People's Republic and the German Democratic Republic regarding the delimitation of the sea areas in the Oder Bay of 22 May 1989), as well as the Agreement between the Polish People's Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the basis for normalization of their mutual relations of 7 December 1970.

Article 2

The Contracting Parties declare that the frontier between them is inviolable now and in future and mutually pledge to respect unconditionally their sovereignty and territorial integrity.

Article 3

The Contracting Parties declare that they have no territorial claims against each other and they shall not put forward such claims in future.

Article 4

1. This Treaty is subject to ratification; the exchange of the instruments of ratification shall take place as soon as possible at Bonn.
2. This Treaty shall enter into force on the date on which the instruments of ratification are exchanged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the representatives of the Contracting Parties have signed this Treaty and have thereto affixed their seals.

DONE at Warsaw on 14 November 1990 in duplicate, each in the German and Polish languages, both texts being equally authentic.