

Agreement between the Government of the French Republic and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland relating to the completion of the delimitation of the continental shelf in the southern North Sea, 23 July 1991

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

Recalling article 2(2) of their Agreement of 24 June 1982 relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf in the area east of 30 minutes West of the Greenwich meridian, according to which the delimitation from point 14 to the tripoint between the boundaries of the continental shelf appertaining respectively to the Parties and to the Kingdom of Belgium is to be completed at the appropriate time by application of the same methods as were utilized for the definition of the boundary line between points 1 and 14;

Noting that, following the discovery of a material error in the coordinates used for the Banc Breedt in 1982, the coordinates of points 13 and 14 were corrected by the Note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the British Embassy in Paris dated 21 March 1990 and the Embassy's Note in reply dated 27 March 1990;

Desiring to complete the definition of the boundary beyond point 14;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The tripoint between the boundaries of the continental shelf appertaining respectively to the Parties and to the Kingdom of Belgium shall be defined on European Datum (1st Adjustment 1950), as follows:

Point 15: Lat. 51° 33' 28"N Long. 2° 14' 18"E

2. The boundary between the parts of the continental shelf which appertain to the United Kingdom and the French Republic respectively in the area of the southern North Sea shall be a loxodrome joining points 14 and 15.

3. The boundary defined in paragraph 2 is illustrated on the chart annexed to this Agreement.

Article 2

It is hereby recorded that the corrected coordinates for points 13 and 14 are as follows:

Point 13: Lat. 51° 20' 11"N Long. 2° 02' 18"E
Point 14: Lat. 51° 30' 14"N Long. 2° 07' 18"E

Article 3

1. Each Contracting Party shall notify the other of the completion of the constitutional procedures required for the entry into force of this Agreement.
2. The Agreement shall enter into force on the date when the last notification is received.

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

DONE in duplicate at London this 23rd day of July 1991 in the English and French languages, both texts equally authoritative.