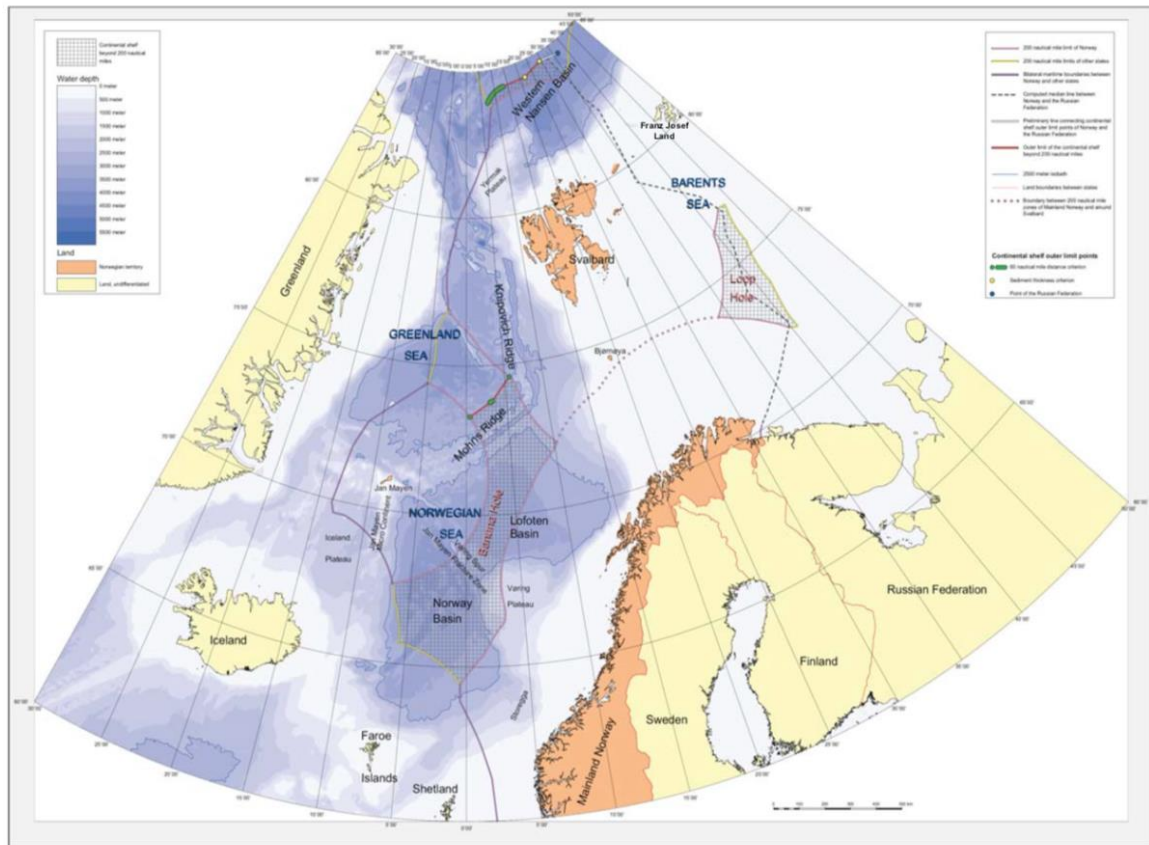


Norway recommendations (ECS ID-700)

Three locations were considered in this recommendation in the regions of the Barents Sea (The Loop Hole), the Arctic Ocean (Western Nansen Basin), and the Norwegian Sea (The Banana Hole).

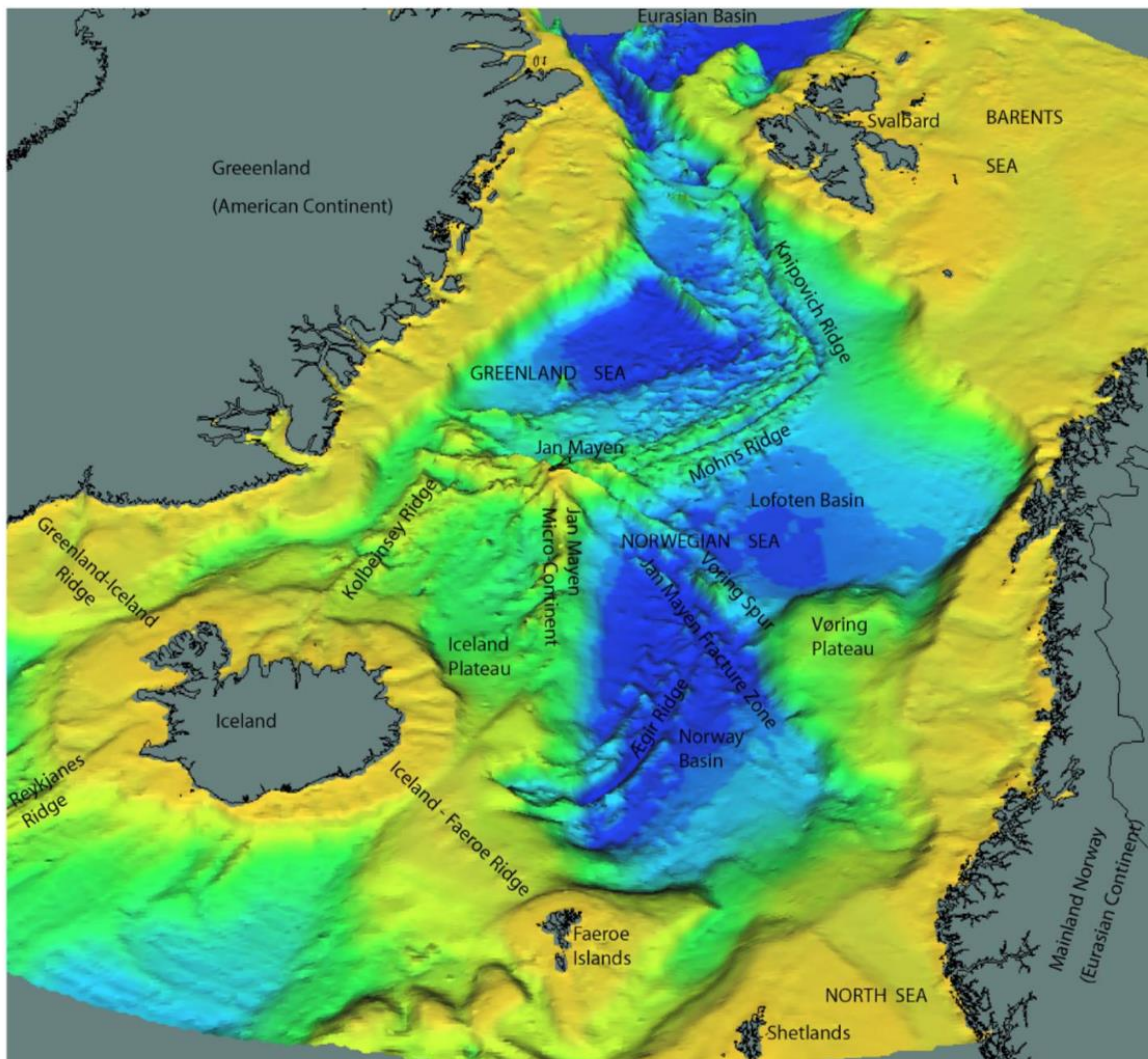


Map of the North East Atlantic and Arctic region showing the three separate areas of continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles as contained in the original submission of Norway of 27 November 2006. This map was submitted by Norway as Figure 2 of its Executive Summary and depicts various limits, lines and other information representing the views of Norway in the region (from the Executive Summary of Norway)

1. The Loop Hole (Barents Sea)

The Loop Hole area in the central part of the Barents Sea, a shallow –water shelf area north of mainland Norway and the Russian Federation. The area is totally enclosed by the 200 M limits of Mainland Norway and Svalbard, and the Russian Federation

As the area is enclosed by the 200M limits of Russia and Norway and lay landward of the FOS of either state, the sub-commission agreed that no scientific documentation was required to delineate the shared area (which will presumably be the subject of bilateral boundary delimitation between the two states at a later date).



Map of the North East Atlantic, Barents Sea and Arctic region showing the main morphological features associated with the three areas contained in the submission of Norway of 27 November 2006 (from the Executive Summary of Norway).