

## **Protocol between the Government of the Russian Federation, the Government of Mongolia, and the Government of the People's Republic of China, describing the eastern junction point of the borders of the three states**

Beijing, June 24, 1996

The Government of the Russian Federation, the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic (hereinafter referred to as the contracting parties),

Considering the Joint Sino-Russia-Mongolian Working Group, in accordance with the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation, the Mongolian People's Federation and the Government of the People's Republic of China on determining the Eastern junction of the borders of the three states from January 27, 1994, establishing the frontier marker at "Tarvagan Dah", have agreed as follows:

Article 1 The eastern junction of the state-borders between Russia, China and Mongolia is located at Tarvagan Dah at the marked altitude of 645m. This point is located 147.8m northwest of the border marker N1 on the Russian-Chinese border; 8.7m to the north-northeast of the border marker N639 on the Sino-Mongolian border, and 759.7m south-southeast of the border marker N964 on the Russian-Mongolian border. The coordinates of the points are identified on the ground instrumentally, with an error of less than 1m, its height noted on the map to the scale of 1 : 100,000 published by the USSR in 1981. Coordinate and height shown in the 1942 Baltic height system. Coordinates of the East Junction: B = 49-50'42,3 "north latitude; L = 116-42'46,8 "east longitude; rectangular: X = 5523751,6 m, the Y = 20,479,357.0 m, height = 645.0.

Article 2 The Joint Working Group established a marker at the eastern junction of the frontiers at Tarvagan Dah, numbered "0". The marker is composed of a three-sided granite stele with a metal frame and concrete base. A drawing of the marker's appearance and its description of is in the annex to this protocol.

Article 3 The location of the eastern junction of borders between Russia, Mongolia and China is shown in a red circle, and the borders of the three states at the eastern junction by a red line on the map with the scale 1:10,000 which is annexed to this protocol along with a description.

Article 4 The state borders by the eastern junction of the three countries are in the following areas: The state border between China and Russian is straight south-east to the border marker N1 on the Chinese-Russian border;

The state border between China and Mongolia is in a straight line in a south-southwest direction to border marker N639 on the Chinese-Mongolian border; The state border between Russia and Mongolia is in a straight line in a north-northwest direction to border marker N964 on the Mongolian-Russian border.

Article 5 1. The contracting parties shall take the necessary measures to preserve the Tarvagan Dah border marker to prevent it from moving, loss or damage. Neither party has the right to unilaterally change the location, shape and size of the sign, or install a new border marker. 2. The responsibility for preservation and repair of the base and metal frame side of the Tarvagan Dah border marker is Russian and Mongolian. Responsibility for the preservation and repair of the border marker stele side is Chinese. 3. If one of the parties finds that the Tarvagan Dah border marker has been moved, damaged or lost, it shall immediately notify the other two parties. Restoration and repair of the border marker shall be made by the responsible parties in accordance with the parameters set out in the protocol in the presence of representatives of all parties. 4. Contracting Parties may, if necessary, carry out joint inspections of the Tarvagan Dah border marker. 5. With the inspection, repair or restoration of the border marker at Tarvagan Dah, the Contracting Parties shall make a joint protocol, which after signing shall become an annex to this protocol.

Article 6 This protocol shall enter into force from the date of the last written notification of the completion of appropriate procedures in accordance with the legislation of each Contracting Party.

Completed at Beijing on June 24, 1996, in triplicate in Russian, Mongolian and Chinese languages, all three texts being equally authentic.

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