

**Treaty between the German Democratic Republic and the Kingdom of Sweden on
the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf (with Protocol)
22 June 1978**

The German Democratic Republic and the Kingdom of Sweden,
Desirous of developing their mutual relations and co-operation in accordance with the principles of the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe,

Endeavouring to promote the exploration and exploitation of the natural resources of the continental shelf between the two States in conformity with established international law,

With a view to determining the common boundary of the continental shelf between the two States on the basis of the provisions of the Convention on the Continental Shelf of 29 April 1958,

Have agreed to conclude the following Treaty:

Article 1

The boundary line between the continental shelf of the German Democratic Republic and the continental shelf of the Kingdom of Sweden shall be that line of which every point is equidistant from the nearest points of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of either Contracting Party is measured.

Article 2

1. In accordance with the principle set out in Article 1 and with regard to deviations that are necessary for an appropriate and practical boundary line, the boundary shall be drawn as a straight line (geodetic lines) throughout the following points in the given order:

A. In the system of sea-charts of the German Democratic Republic:

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| 1. | 55° 00' 36" N | 13° 09' 23" E | (Sea-chart of the German Democratic Republic No. 152) |
| 2. | 55° 01' 15" N | 13° 47' 05" E | (Sea-chart of the German Democratic Republic No. 152) |
| 3. | 54° 57' 52" N | 13° 59' 12" E | (Sea-chart of the German Democratic Republic No. 152) |

B. In the system of sea-charts of the Kingdom of Sweden:

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| 1. | 55° 00' 36" N | 13° 09' 26" E | (Swedish sea-chart No. 83) |
| 2. | 55° 01' 15" N | 13° 47' 08" E | (Swedish sea-chart No. 83) |
| 3. | 54° 57' 52" N | 13° 59' 15" E | (Swedish sea-chart No. 83) |

2. West of point 1 and East of point 3 the boundary line shall extend to the outer points which will have to be agreed with the third State concerned.

3. The course of the boundary line is shown on the attached charts, which shall be an integral part of the present Treaty.

Article 3

Where natural resources located on the sea-bed or in the subsoil extend on both sides of the boundary of the continental

shelf between the two Contracting Parties, and where natural resources located on the continental shelf of the one Contracting Party can be wholly or in part exploited from the continental shelf of the other Contracting Party, the Contracting Party shall, at the request of either of them and prior to such exploitation, enter into negotiations for the purpose of agreeing on the conditions for the exploitation of these resources.

Article 4

The provisions of the present Treaty shall in no way affect the legal status of the waters above the continental shelf nor that of the air space above these waters.

Article 5

The present Treaty shall be registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

Article 6

The present Treaty shall be subject to ratification and shall enter into force on the day of the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which shall take place at Stockholm.

DONE at Berlin on 22 June 1978 in two copies, each in the German and Swedish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

**PROTOCOL TO THE TREATY
BETWEEN THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
AND THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN
ON THE DELIMITATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF**

The German Democratic Republic and the Kingdom of Sweden have agreed that the boundary line as determined in Articles 1 and 2 of the Treaty referred to above shall also form the boundary line between the fishing zones of the two States.

Berlin, 22 June 1978.