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IN THE NAME OF GOD

AGREEMENT ON THE DELIMITATION OF THE MARITIME BOUNDARY IN THE SEA OF OMAN

BETWEEN THE SULTANATE OF OMAN AND THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

The Government of the SULTANATE OF OMAN and the Government of the ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties";

Considering the desire to promote bilateral relations and strengthen good neighborly ties existing between the Parties; and

Desirous to delimit in a just, equitable and precise manner the maritime boundary line between their respective maritime zones in the Sea of Oman within which the Parties exercise sovereign rights and jurisdiction in accordance with international law.

THE PARTIES HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article (1)

1. The maritime boundary line between the Parties in the Sea of Oman shall be a geodetic line joining a series of fixed points whose geographical coordinates are hereafter set out as follows: 3. The Parties have agreed that the direction of the maritime boundary line defined in Paragraph (1) of this Article after point no. (55) follows a straight geodetic line at an azimuth angle of (313°). Such a straight geodetic line shall be deemed to be an extension of the maritime boundary line defined in Paragraph (1) of this Article.

Article (2)

- 1. The geographical coordinates of the aforementioned points in Article (1) of this Agreement refer to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS-84).
- 2. The maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement is illustrated on the chart which is annexed to this Agreement. The said chart has been made in two original copies and signed by the Parties each of whom has retained one copy thereof.
- 3. In case of any divergence or discrepancy between the geographic coordinates of the points referred to in Paragraph (1) of Article (1) of this Agreement and the maritime boundary line illustrated on the annexed chart to this Agreement, the geographic coordinates of the points referred to in Paragraph (1) of Article (1) of this Agreement shall prevail.

Article (3)

Without prejudice to the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement, the Parties recognize the right of each Party to exercise sovereign rights and jurisdiction over its maritime zones for the purposes of exploration, exploitation, conservation and management of living and non-living natural resources.

Article (4)

- 1. Either Party may carry out any type of survey activities, drilling exploration wells or assessing oil and gas or any other natural resource within a limit of two hundred and fifty meters (250m) from either side of the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement, provided that either Party notifies the other Party not less than a month in advance of the commencement date of such activities through diplomatic channels.
- 2. The Parties agree that the exploration wells drilled within the above limit of two hundred and fifty meters (250m) from either side of the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement are intended for exploration purposes only and no exploration well within one hundred and twenty five meters (125m) from the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement shall be utilized by either Party for any other purpose without the mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article (5)

If any single geological petroleum structure or petroleum field, or any single geological structure or field of any other mineral resource crosses the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement and the part of such structure or field which is situated on one side of the maritime boundary line could be exploited wholly or in part by directional drilling from the other side of the maritime boundary line, the following provisions shall apply:

- No well shall be drilled on either side of the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement so that any production or injection section thereof is less than one hundred and twenty five meters (125m) from the said maritime boundary line except by the mutual agreement of the Parties.
- The exploitation of the aforementioned resources shall be undertaken by mutual agreement of the Parties. These resources shall be divided between the Parties according to international law and the principles of justice and equity.
- 3. The limit of the said one hundred and twenty five meters (125m) which governs the scope of this Article applies to both sides of the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement.

Article (6)

Without prejudice to the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement, the Parties may, if necessary, establish joint committees to regulate all related aspects of this Agreement.

Article (7)

Without prejudice to the maritime boundary line defined in Article (1) of this Agreement, the Parties shall settle any dispute arising from the implementation or interpretation of this Agreement by peaceful means.

Article (8)

This Agreement shall be ratified in accordance with the respective constitutional and legal procedures of the Parties and shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

Article (9)

This Agreement and the annexed chart shall be registered in accordance with Article 102 of the United Nations Charter.

Done at Muscat in two original copies on the 7th of Sha'aban 1436 corresponding to the 26th of May 2015 corresponding to the 5th of Khordad 1394 in the Arabic, Persian and English languages, all texts being equally authoritative. In case of any divergence in the interpretation of the texts, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of the SULTANATE OF OMAN

For the Government of the ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

Hamood bin Faisal Al Busaidi Minister of Interior Mohammad Javad Zarif Minister of Foreign Affairs

Point	Geographical Coordinates	
	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
1	23° 20′ 48″N	61° 25' 00"E
2	23° 23' 10"N	61° 21' 15"E
3	23° 34' 19"N	61° 00' 57"E
4	23° 36′ 03"N	60° 57' 46"E
5	23° 40' 24"N	60° 49' 36"E
6	23° 44' 21"N	60° 41' 08"E
7	23° 45' 52"N	60° 37' 47"E
8	23° 50' 37"N	60° 27' 15"E
9	23° 51' 06"N	60° 24' 54"E
10	23° 55' 03"N	60° 16' 28"E
11	23° 56' 17"N	60° 14' 23"E
12	23° 58' 10"N	60° 11' 30"E
13	24° 00' 53"N	60° 07' 25"E
14	24° 01' 12"N	60° 06' 53"E
15	24° 03' 05"N	60° 03' 25"E
16	24° 06' 16"N	59° 57' 32"E
17	24° 07' 12"N	59° 55' 12"E
18	24° 08' 12"N	59° 53' 05"E
19	24° 13' 44"N	59° 42' 34"E
20	24° 19' 06"N	59° 32' 22"E

Point	Geographical Coordinates	
	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
21	24° 19' 07"N	59° 32' 20"E
22	24° 20' 55"N	59° 27' 41"E
23	24° 21' 17"N	59° 26' 43"E
24	24° 23' 38"N	59° 20' 37"E
25	24° 23' 48"N	59° 19' 54"E
26	24° 24' 20"N	59° 18' 04"E
27	24° 24' 29"N	59° 17' 27"E
28	24° 24' 43"N	59° 16' 33"E
29	24° 27′ 39"N	59° 04' 25"E
30	24° 31' 56"N	58° 46' 49"E
31	24° 34' 34"N	58° 38' 54"E
32	24° 37' 32"N	58° 30' 48"E
33	24° 39' 12"N	58° 26' 36"E
34	24° 39′ 32″N	58° 25' 38"E
35	24° 40′ 17″N	58° 10' 53"E
36	24° 41' 54"N	57° 49' 55"E
37	24° 43' 03"N	57° 43' 46"E
38	24° 43' 46"N	57° 41' 28"E
39	24° 44' 00"N	57° 41' 01"E

Point	Geographical Coordinates	
	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
40	24° 44' 17"N	57° 40' 13"E
41	24° 44' 21"N	57° 40' 06"E
42	24° 46' 14"N	57° 36' 28"E
43	24° 46' 34"N	57° 35' 54"E
44	24° 46′ 37″N	57° 35' 50"E
45	24° 48' 06"N	57° 33' 27"E
46	24° 49' 07"N	57° 31' 48"E
47	24° 50' 45"N	57° 29' 17"E
48	24° 50' 55"N	57° 29' 04"E
49	24° 52' 36"N	57° 26' 38"E
50	24° 55' 18"N	57° 22' 50"E
51	24° 58' 56"N	57° 18' 16"E
52	24° 59' 47"N	57° 16' 43"E
53	25° 01' 51"N	57° 13' 30"E
54	25° 04' 26"N	57° 10' 29"E
55	25° 05' 38"N	57° 09' 08"E

2. The maritime boundary between the Parties in the Sea of Oman shall be a single maritime boundary delimiting their respective Continental Shelves and Exclusive Economic Zones which has been established by the Parties in accordance with Paragraph (1) of this Article.