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FOREWORD

The Law of the Sea Information Circular (LOSIC), of which this is the first issue, is a periodic publication of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS), Office of Legal Affairs. Its objective is to communicate to all States and entities, in particular States and entities not as yet parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), information on any action taken by States Parties in implementing the Convention as well as on activities undertaken by DOALOS pursuant thereto.

The purpose of LOSIC is also to assist States Parties to UNCLOS to discharge their obligations by giving due publicity to information in accordance with the Convention. This is of particular importance to coastal States, which under the Convention are obliged, *inter alia*, to give due publicity with regard to (i) charts and lists of coordinates (articles 16(2), 47(9), 75(2), 76(9) and 84(2)); (ii) laws and regulations relating to innocent passage (article 21(3)); (iii) laws and regulations of States bordering straits relating to transit passage (article 42(3)); and (iv) charts indicating sea lanes and traffic separation schemes (articles 22(4), 41(2), 41(6), 53(7) and 53(10)).

DOALOS is presently considering the best manner in which to make available to States the lists of geographical coordinates submitted in compliance with their obligations under the Convention, in particular whenever such lists, owing to their length, would be unwieldy for publication.

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I. INFORMATION RELATING TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE
LAW OF THE SEA AND TO THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF PART XI OF THE CONVENTION

A. Status of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
and of the Agreement relating to the implementation of
Part XI of the Convention

1. Explanatory Note

1. The attached table presents the updated status of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 (the Convention) and of the Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea adopted by the General Assembly on 28 July 1994 (the Agreement).
2. The first column presents a list of all States (members and non-members of the United Nations) as well as one entity (European Community) in alphabetical order. It indicates as well the signatories of the Convention. The second column provides self-explanatory information on the ratifications of, and accessions and successions to the Convention.
3. The third column contains results of the vote on General-Assembly resolution 48/263, by which the Agreement was adopted. In accordance with its article 7(1), the Agreement is applied provisionally, pending its entry into force, by, *inter alia*, "States which have consented to its adoption in the General Assembly of the United Nations, except any such State which before 16 November 1994 notifies the depositary in writing either that it will not so apply the Agreement or that it will consent to such application only upon subsequent signature or notification in writing." (These exceptions are indicated by "no" in the fifth column.) The indication of co-sponsorship merely illustrates the overall position of States at the time of the adoption of the Agreement.
4. The fourth column provides information on signatures of the Agreement. Symbols/endnote have been used to differentiate, in particular, between States which signed with a mention "subject to ratification" (or which are considered as having signed subject to ratification) and States which have deposited before the date of the adoption of the Agreement an instrument of ratification or accession in respect of the Convention and which have signed the Agreement and shall be considered 12 months after its adoption as availing themselves of the simplified procedure, in accordance with article 5 of the Agreement. However, it should be noted that the States Parties to the Convention which signed the Agreement, and whose signatures are not subject to ratification (definitive signatures), are listed only in the sixth column.
5. The fifth column indicates the date from which any given State applies the Agreement provisionally (see also paragraph 3 above). States which have not expressed their consent to the provisional application by their votes in the General Assembly and/or by signing the Agreement, but have expressed their consent to be bound by it, are considered to apply the Agreement provisionally as of the date of their formal consent to be bound.
6. The sixth column contains information on States which expressed their consent to be bound by the Agreement by ratification, accession, definitive signature or participation, which refers to those States which have expressed their consent to be bound by the Convention after the adoption of the Agreement.
7. The totals under each column are given at the end of the table.

2. Table presenting the Status of the Convention and of the Agreement as of 16 June 1995

State or entity ¹	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Date of ratification / accession ^(a) / succession ^(s)	Resolution 48/263 Vote/Co-sponsorship	Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention		
			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Afghanistan *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Albania		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Algeria *		Yes/-	29 July 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Andorra		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Angola *	5 December 1990	-/-			
Antigua and Barbuda *	2 February 1989	-/Co-sponsor			
Argentina *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Armenia		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Australia *	5 October 1994	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	5 October 1994

State or entity ¹	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Date of ratification / accession ^(a) / succession ^(s)	Resolution 48/263 Vote/Co-sponsorship	Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention		
			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Austria *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Azerbaijan		-/-			
Bahamas *	29 July 1983	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Bahrain *	30 May 1985	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Bangladesh *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Barbados *	12 October 1993	-/-	15 November 1994#	16 November 1994	
Belarus *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Belgium *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Belize *	13 August 1983	Yes/-		16 November 1994	21 October 1994 ^(s)
Benin *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	

State or entity ¹	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Date of ratification / accession ^(a) / succession ^(s)	Resolution 48/263 Vote/Co-sponsorship	Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention		
			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession, ^(a) definitive signature, ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Bhutan *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Bolivia *	28 April 1995	Yes/-		16 November 1994	28 April 1995 ^(p) 4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	12 January 1994 ^(s)	-/-			
Botswana *	2 May 1990	Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
Brazil *	22 December 1988	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Brunei Darussalam *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Bulgaria *		Yes/-		No	
Burkina Faso *		-/-	30 November 1994 + +	30 November 1994	
Burundi *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Cambodia *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Cameroon *	19 November 1985	Yes/Co-sponsor	24 May 1995 +	24 May 1995	
Canada *		Yes/-	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Cape Verde *	10 August 1987	Yes/-	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Central African Republic *		-/-			
Chad *		-/-			
Chile *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
China *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Colombia *		Abst./-			
Comoros *	21 June 1994	-/-			
Congo *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
<i>Cook Islands</i> * ⁵	15 February 1995			15 February 1995	15 February 1995 ^(a)
Costa Rica *	21 September 1992	-/-			
Côte d'Ivoire *	26 March 1984	Yes/-	25 November 1994#	16 November 1994	
Croatia **	5 April 1995 ^(s)	-/-		5 April 1995	5 April 1995 ^(p) _{4/}
Cuba *	15 August 1984	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Cyprus *	12 December 1988	Yes/-	1 November 1994#	No	
Czech Republic *		Yes/-	16 November 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea *		-/-			
Denmark *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Djibouti *	8 October 1991	-/-			

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Dominica *	24 October 1991	-/-			
Dominican Republic *		-/-			
Ecuador		-/-			
Egypt *	26 August 1983	Yes/-	22 March 1995#	16 November 1994	
El Salvador *		-/-			
Equatorial Guinea *		-/-			
Eritrea		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Estonia		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Ethiopia *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
European Community *			29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Fiji *	10 December 1982	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Finland *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
France *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Gabon *		Yes/-	4 April 1995 + +	16 November 1994	
Gambia *	22 May 1984	-/-			
Georgia		-/-			
Germany	14 October 1984 ^(a)	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	14 October 1994
Ghana *	7 June 1983	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Greece *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Grenada *	25 April 1991	Yes/Co-sponsor	14 November 1994#	16 November 1994	

State or entity ¹	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Date of ratification / accession ^(a) / succession ^(s)	Resolution 48/263 Vote/Co-sponsorship	Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention		
			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Guatemala *		-/-			
Guinea *	6 September 1985	-/-	26 August 1994#	16 November 1994	
Guinea-Bissau *	25 August 1986	-/Co-sponsor			
Guyana *	16 November 1993	Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
Haiti *		-/-			
<i>Holy See</i> ^{5/}					
Honduras *	5 October 1993	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Hungary *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Iceland *	21 June 1985	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
India *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Indonesia *	3 February 1986	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Iran (Islamic Republic of) *		Yes/-		No	
Iraq *	30 July 1985	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Ireland *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Israel		-/-			
Italy *	13 January 1995	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	13 January 1995
Jamaica *	21 March 1983	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Japan *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Jordan		Yes/-		No	
Kazakhstan		-/-			

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Kenya *	2 March 1989	Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	29 July 1994 ^(s)
<i>Kiribati</i> ^{5/}					
Kuwait *	2 May 1986	Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Kyrgyzstan		-/-			
Lao People's Democratic Republic *		Yes/-	27 October 1994 + +	16 November 1994	
Latvia		-/-			
Lebanon *	5 January 1995	-/-		5 January 1995	5 January 1995 ^(p) ^{4/}
Lesotho *		-/-			
Liberia *		-/-			
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Liechtenstein *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Lithuania		-/-			
Luxembourg *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994++	16 November 1994	
Madagascar *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Malawi *		-/-			
Malaysia *		Yes/-	2 August 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Maldives *		Yes/-	10 October 1994++	16 November 1994	
Mali *	16 July 1985	-/-			
Malta *	20 May 1993	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Marshall Islands	9 August 1991 ^(a)	Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Mauritania *		-/-	2 August 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Mauritius *	4 November 1994	Yes/-		16 November 1994	4 November 1994 ^{(p) 4/}
Mexico *	18 March 1983	Yes/-		No	
Micronesia (Fed. States of)	29 April 1991 ^(a)	Yes/Co-sponsor	10 August 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Monaco *		Yes/-	30 November 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Mongolia *		Yes/-	17 August 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Morocco *		Yes/-	19 October 1994 ++	No	
Mozambique *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Myanmar *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
Namibia *	18 April 1983	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession, ^(a) definitive signature, ^(s) participation, ^(p)
<i>Nauru</i> * ^{5/}					
Nepal *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Netherlands *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
New Zealand *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 + +	16 November 1994	
Nicaragua *		Abst./-			
Niger *		-/-			
Nigeria *	14 August 1986	Yes/-	25 October 1994 ⁶	16 November 1994	
<i>Niue</i> * ^{5/}					
Norway *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
Oman *	17 August 1989	Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Pakistan *		Yes/-	10 August 1994 + +	16 November 1994	
Palau *					
Panama *		Abst./-			
Papua New Guinea *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
Paraguay *	26 September 1986	Yes/-	29 July 1994#	16 November 1994	
Peru		Abst./-			
Philippines *	8 May 1984	Yes/-	15 November 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Poland *		Yes/-	29 July 1994 +	23 February 1995	
Portugal *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Qatar *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Republic of Korea *		Yes/Co-sponsor	7 November 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Republic of Moldova		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Romania *		Yes/-		No	
Russian Federation *		Abst./-		11 January 1995 7	
Rwanda *		-/-			
Saint Kitts and Nevis *	7 January 1993	-/-			
Saint Lucia *	27 March 1985	-/-			
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *	1 October 1993	-/-			
Samoa *		Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	
San Marino		-/-			

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Sao Tome and Principe *	3 November 1987	-/-			
Saudi Arabia *		Yes/-		No	
Senegal *	25 October 1984	Yes/Co-sponsor	9 August 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Seychelles *	16 September 1991	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	15 December 1994
Sierra Leone *	12 December 1994	-/-		12 December 1994	12 December 1994 ^(p) 4/
Singapore *	17 November 1994	Yes/Co-sponsor		16 November 1994	17 November 1994 ^(p) 4/
Slovakia *		Yes/-	14 November 1994 + +	16 November 1994	
Slovenia **	16 June 1995	Yes/-	19 January 1995 +		16 June 1995
Solomon Islands *		-/Co-sponsor		8 February 1995 7/	
Somalia *	24 July 1989	-/-			

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
South Africa *		Yes/-	3 October 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Spain *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Sri Lanka *	19 July 1994	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 ^{6/}	16 November 1994	
Sudan *	23 January 1985	Yes/-	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Suriname *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
Swaziland *		-/-	12 October 1994 ++	16 November 1994	
Sweden *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
<i>Switzerland * ^{5/}</i>			26 October 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Syrian Arab Republic		-/-			
Tajikistan		-/-			

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Thailand *		Abst./-			
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	19 August 1994 ^(s)	-/-		16 November 1994	19 August 1994 ^(p) ^{4/}
Togo *	16 April 1985	Yes/-	3 August 1994#	16 November 1994	
<i>Tonga</i> ^{5/}					
Trinidad and Tobago *	25 April 1986	Yes/Co-sponsor	10 October 1994#	16 November 1994	
Tunisia *	24 April 1985	Yes/-	15 May 1995 #	16 November 1994	
Turkey		-/-			
Turkmenistan		-/-			
<i>Tuvalu</i> * ^{5/}					
Uganda *	9 November 1990	Yes/-	9 August 1994#	16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Ukraine *		Yes/-	28 February 1995 + +	16 November 1994	
United Arab Emirates *		Yes/-		16 November 1994	
United Kingdom		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
United Republic of Tanzania *	30 September 1985	Yes/Co-sponsor	7 October 1994 +	16 November 1994	
United States of America		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Uruguay *	10 December 1992	Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	No	
Uzbekistan		-/-			
Vanuatu *		Yes/Co-sponsor	29 July 1994 +	16 November 1994	
Venezuela		Abst./-			
Viet Nam *	25 July 1994	Yes/-		16 November 1994	

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			Signature ²	Provisional application ³ as of	Ratification; accession; ^(a) definitive signature; ^(s) participation; ^(p)
Yemen *	21 July 1987	-/-			
Yugoslavia *	5 May 1986	-/-	12 May 1995#	12 May 1995	
Zaire *	17 February 1989	-/-			
Zambia *	7 March 1983	-/-	13 October 1994#	16 November 1994	
Zimbabwe *	24 February 1993	Yes/-	28 October 1994#	16 November 1994	
TOTALS:	76	121/0/7	78("+" 39) ("++" 16) ("#" 21)	122	15

NOTES

1. * States or entities which have signed the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
** Succession to the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in respect of the Convention with effect from 16 November 1994, date of entry into force of the Convention.
2. + States or entities which have signed the Agreement with the indication "subject to ratification".
++ States or entities which are not yet parties to the Convention and are considered as having signed the Agreement subject to ratification.
State which has deposited before the date of the adoption of the Agreement an instrument of ratification, accession or succession to the Convention and which therefore shall be considered to have established its consent to be bound by the Agreement 12 month after the date of its adoption, unless it notifies the depositary in writing before that date that it is not availing itself of this simplified procedure set out in article 5 of the Agreement.
3. "No" refers to States or entities which had consented to the adoption of the Agreement or had signed it, but notified the depositary in writing that they would not apply the Agreement provisionally, in accordance with article 7, paragraph 1(a) or (b), respectively, of the Agreement.
4. State bound by the Agreement by having ratified, acceded or succeeded to the Convention under article 4, paragraph 1, of the Agreement.
5. Non-member State of the United Nations.
6. State which has signed the Agreement and selected the application of the simplified procedure set out in Article 5, of the Agreement.
7. By notification in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1(c), of the Agreement.

B. Meeting of States Parties regarding the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

1. Decisions taken by the *ad hoc* meeting of 21-22 November 1994¹

Organization of future work

1. On the recommendation of the Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, contained in the statement by the Chairman (LOS/PCN/L.115/Rev.1, para. 43), the Meeting decided that:

(a) Having regard to the recommendations of the Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, there would be a deferment of the first election of the members of the Tribunal. The date of this first election of all 21 members would be 1 August 1996. That would be a one-time deferment;

(b) The nominations would open on 16 May 1995. A State in the process of becoming a party to the Convention might nominate candidates. Such nominations would remain provisional and would not be included in the list to be circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations in accordance with article 4 (2) of annex VI, unless the State concerned had deposited its instrument of ratification or accession before 1 July 1996;

(c) The nominations would close on 17 June 1996;

(d) The list of candidates would be circulated by the Secretary-General on 5 July 1996;

(e) Subject to the above decisions, all procedures relating to the election of the members of the Tribunal as provided for in the Convention would apply;

(f) No changes would be made to that schedule unless the States Parties agreed by consensus;

(g) It approved the recommendation of the Preparatory Commission contained in document LOS/PCN/L.115/Rev.1, paragraph 43 (d).

2. Other action and decisions taken at the meeting of 15-19 May 1995²

Preparation of a Preliminary Budget

2. The President drew attention to the important question of the budget of the Tribunal and the source of the budget or its funding. It was noted that various working papers and draft budgets had been prepared, on the basis of various options, for the consideration and deliberations of the Preparatory Commission. The Meeting considered the requirements of the Tribunal and agreed on the approach to be taken in the establishment of the Tribunal, its initial functions and related matters. The President therefore proposed, on the basis of those indications and assumptions, to request the Secretariat to prepare a draft budget. This would permit the Meeting to deliberate on it more concretely and give an indication of the total budget required for the initial period of the Tribunal. The Meeting concurred with the President's proposal.

¹ See document SPLOS/3.

² See document SPLOS/4.

3. The approach and assumptions relevant to preparing the draft budget as circulated informally and approved by the Meeting was in the following terms:

- "1. The States Parties intend to adopt the budget for the International Tribunal covering an initial period (August 1996 to 31 December 1997) at a Meeting to be held in March 1996. This will be preceded by a short Meeting of States Parties, with financial experts, to be held from 27 November to 1 December 1995, to review a draft of the budget.
2. In preparation for these meetings, the States Parties request the Secretariat of the United Nations to prepare and circulate, by 1 September 1995 at the latest, a draft budget based on the following:
 - I. Members of the Tribunal
 - (i) The Members of the Tribunal will hold their first organizational session on 1 October 1996.
 - (ii) The Members of the Tribunal will meet for up to 12 weeks during the period of the budget in order to take the necessary decisions for the internal organization of the Tribunal. Provision would also need to be made for preparatory work by Members of the Tribunal.
 - (iii) The President of the Tribunal will reside at the seat of the Tribunal. All other Members of the Tribunal will attend meetings of the Tribunal as and when required.
 - (iv) The overall remuneration of the Members of the Tribunal will consist of these elements: an annual allowance, a special allowance for each day that they are engaged on the business of the Tribunal and a subsistence allowance for each day that they attend meetings at the seat of the Tribunal or elsewhere. The overall remuneration for the Members of the Tribunal shall not exceed that of a judge of the International Court of Justice.
 - II. Languages
 - (i) The official languages of the Tribunal are English and French. Decisions of the Tribunal shall be given in the two official languages and the Tribunal shall determine which of the two texts is considered as authoritative.
 - (ii) A party to a dispute before the Tribunal may use another language for its written and oral pleadings and related documentation: the translation and interpretation into one of the official languages of the Tribunal shall be at that party's expense.

- (iii) When a language other than one of the official languages of the Tribunal is chosen by the parties to the dispute, and that language is an official language of the United Nations, the decision of the Tribunal shall, at the request of any party, be translated into that official language of the United Nations at no cost to the parties.
- (iv) Subject to availability of funds, and provided that it will not result in an increase in the budget of the Tribunal, consideration would be given in the future to the translation of final decisions of the Tribunal into the other official languages of the United Nations at the request of any of the States Parties. For this purpose, any contributions from any source will be welcomed. There shall be established a voluntary fund to receive such contributions.

III. Registry

Arrangements will be needed for the phasing-in of the staff of the Registry and for the transitional phase before the Registry is in place.

IV. Funding

The funding of the budget would be considered and decided together with the budget.

V. Cost-effectiveness

The principles of cost-effectiveness will apply to all aspects of the work of the Tribunal."

4. The Meeting decided that the Secretariat would be requested to submit the draft budget by 1 September 1995. This would be the subject of deliberations at the next Meeting.

Administrative Arrangements

5. Consistent with the specifications for the preparation of the initial budget, determinations were also made by the Meeting with regard to the administrative arrangements for the Tribunal. Thus, following the election of the 21 members which will take place on 1 August 1996, the President will, as required by the Convention, be resident at the Seat. The other members would be on call. During the initial period following the election, the members will have to convene in order to undertake internal organizational matters, including the adoption of the rules of procedure of the Tribunal.

6. There will be a need for transition from the services of the Secretariat of the United Nations to the Registry of the Tribunal. The preliminary budget report called for above would be required to take these matters more fully into account in the context of the financial obligations.

7. The Legal Counsel, Mr. Hans Corell, has designated, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/28, operative paragraph 11, Mr. Gritakumar Chitty as the staff member charged with making preparations of a practical nature for the organization of the Tribunal, including the establishment of a library, with the necessary Secretariat support.

Convening of next Meeting

7. The meeting decided that it would reconvene in New York for a period of one week between 27 November and 1 December 1995. It would consider primarily the preliminary budget to be prepared by the Secretariat and the other pending items on its agenda, SPLOS/1/Rev.1. In view of the consideration of financial matters of that Report delegations were advised to include financial experts on their delegations for this purpose.

8. The following schedule of meetings was agreed upon for the Meetings of States Parties:

- (a) Meeting of States Parties (financial experts) to review a draft initial budget of the Tribunal to be prepared by the Secretariat
27 November-1 December 1995
- (b) Meeting of States Parties to consider and adopt the draft initial budget of the Tribunal
4-8 March 1996
- (c) Meeting of States Parties to consider organizational matters of the Tribunal and to elect the members of the Commission on the Continental Shelf
29 April-10 May 1996
- (d) Meeting of States Parties for the election of the members of the Tribunal
29 July-2 August 1996.

II. INFORMATION ON ACTION TAKEN BY STATES PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT THE CONVENTION

A. Obligations in relation to publicity of charts and lists of geographical coordinates

1. Maritime zone notification (M.Z.N. 1. 1995.LOS)³

Deposit by the Federal Republic of Germany of charts and geographical coordinates on the territorial sea and the exclusive economic zone in the Baltic Sea and in the North Sea

The Secretary-General of the United Nations communicates the following:

On 1 February 1995, the Federal Republic of Germany transmitted to the Secretary-General the following:

- Announcement of the Proclamation by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the extension of the breadth of the German territorial sea of 11 November 1994;
- Proclamation by the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the establishment of an exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany in the North Sea and in the Baltic Sea of 25 November 1994; and
- Maritime Boundary Charts 2920 and 2921,⁴ in separate card-board roll, in accordance with articles 16(2) and 75(2) of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The lists of geographical coordinates deposited, as contained in both Proclamations, will be reproduced in a Law of the Sea Information Circular, to be issued by the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs. In addition, the text of both Proclamations, including the charts deposited, in reduced form for illustrative purposes, will be published in the next Law of the Sea Bulletin.

³ The Notification (M.Z.N. 1. 1995. LOS) was circulated to States Parties on 8 March 1995.

⁴ The original charts submitted by the Federal Republic of Germany may be consulted at the Secretariat (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, DC2-0434, telephone: 963-3962).

2. Texts of proclamations with illustrative charts from the Federal Republic of Germany

(a) Proclamation of 11 November 1994 by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the extension of the breadth of the German territorial sea⁵

The Proclamation concerning the extension of the breadth of the German territorial sea, adopted by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on 19 October 1994, is hereby announced:

I.

The outer limit of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany shall be determined in accordance with the specifications given hereunder. All earlier announcements concerning the delimitation of the German territorial sea shall thereby cease to apply.

(1) North Sea

The outer limit of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany in the North Sea shall be a line running at a distance of 12 nautical miles, measured from the low-water line and the straight baselines, as appropriate.

The existing deep-water anchorage shall remain part of the territorial sea, its limits being a line connecting the following points:

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| (1) | 54°08'11"N | 7°24'36"E; |
| (2) | 54°08'19"N | 7°26'59"E; |
| (3) | 54°01'39"N | 7°33'04"E; |
| (4) | 54°00'27"N | 7°24'36"E. |

The geographical coordinates of the above points shall be determined by reference to European Datum (ED 50).

The delimitation of the German territorial sea in the North Sea is indicated in the Maritime Boundaries Chart 2920.⁶

At an appropriate later time, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany will decide on the lateral delimitation of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany towards, respectively, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Kingdom of Denmark. The regulation in Section 1 of Annex B of the Treaty of 8 April 1960 between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Kingdom of the Netherlands governing cooperation in the area of the Ems Estuary ("the Ems-Dollart Treaty") (Federal Law Gazette 1963 II, p. 602) shall remain unaffected.

⁵ Communicated by the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations in a note verbale dated 31 January 1995.

⁶ See chart 2920 in reduced form for illustrative purposes on p. 34.

(2) Baltic Sea

The outer limit of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany in the Baltic Sea shall be a line connecting the following points:

(1)	54°44'17"N	10°10'14"E;
(2)	54°41'46"N	10°13'12"E;
(3)	54°39'27"N	10°15'34"E;
(4)	54°36'45"N	10°18'36"E;
(5)	54°35'35"N	10°20'24"E;
(6)	54°34'08"N	10°25'47"E;
(7)	54°32'51"N	10°30'24"E;
(8)	54°31'14"N	10°35'36"E;
(9)	54°30'39"N	10°39'12"E;
(10)	54°30'51"N	10°54'21"E;
(11)	54°32'50"N	10°49'16"E;
(12)	54°33'21"N	10°58'51"E;
(13)	54°34'10"N	11°00'07"E;
(14)	54°34'37"N	11°08'33"E;
(15)	54°33'31"N	11°12'23"E;
(16)	54°31'46"N	11°18'44"E;
(17)	54°30'46"N	11°19'23"E;
(18)	54°30'18"N	11°21'03"E;
(19)	54°28'26"N	11°24'13"E;
(20)	54°26'23"N	11°28'34"E;
(21)	54°24'27"N	11°32'22"E;
(22)	54°22'25"N	11°35'23"E;
(23)	54°19'53"N	11°38'44"E;
(24)	54°20'01"N	11°57'10"E;
(25)	54°23'07"N	12°09'13"E;
(26)	54°23'07"N	12°09'59"E;
(27)	54°27'04"N	12°15'35"E;
(28)	54°30'42"N	12°18'05"E;
(29)	54°31'05"N	12°17'36"E;
(30)	54°34'40"N	12°19'24"E;
(31)	54°44'38"N	12°45'00"E.

From point (31), the limit shall continue running at a distance of 12 nautical miles, measured from the low-water line and the straight baselines, as appropriate, until reaching point (32) as follows:

(32)	54°26'30,3"N	14°04'45,9"E.
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From this point, the outer limit shall be a line connecting the following points:

(33)	54°16'14,8"N	14°04'14,7"E;
(34)	54°14'22,0"N	14°10'08,9"E;
(35)	54°07'36,4"N	14°12'09,1"E;
(36)	53°59'18,1"N	14°14'35,9"E;
(37)	53°55'42,1"N	14°13'37,8"E.

The geographical coordinates of the above points shall be determined by reference to European Datum (ED 50).

The delimitation of the German territorial sea in the Baltic Sea is indicated in the Maritime Boundaries Chart 2921.⁷

At an appropriate later time, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany will decide on the lateral delimitation of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany towards the Kingdom of Denmark.

The lateral delimitation of the territorial sea of the Federal Republic of Germany towards the Republic of Poland shall be as provided for in the Treaty of 14 November 1990 between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Poland concerning the confirmation of their mutual border (Federal Law Gazette 1991 II, p. 1328).

In some areas of the Baltic Sea, the breadth of the territorial sea as extended by virtue of the present Proclamation is less than the twelve nautical miles permitted under international law. This shall not be construed as meaning a renunciation of the Federal Republic of Germany's legal claim to the full breadth of the territorial sea.

The above coordinates are given on the proviso that they are subject to a more precise calculation by the Federal Ministry of Transport (if and where appropriate) using the latest methods. Any such calculation shall be announced through official channels, and shall be incorporated in the official Maritime Boundaries Charts.

II.

The present Decision shall enter into force on 1 January 1995.

⁷ See chart 2921 in reduced form for illustrative purposes on p. 35.

(b) Proclamation of 25 November 1994 by the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the establishment of an exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany in the North Sea and in the Baltic Sea

I

The Federal Republic of Germany shall establish, as of 1 January 1995, an exclusive economic zone in the North Sea and in the Baltic Sea beyond the outer limit of its territorial sea.

II

The outer limit of the exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany in the North Sea shall be a line connecting the following points:

E ₀	53°43'30,8" N	6°20'49,7" E
E ₁	53°45'03,0" N	6°19'58,3" E
E ₂	53°48'52,9" N	6°15'51,3" E
E ₃	53°59'56,8" N	6°06'28,2" E
E ₄	54°11'12,0" N	6°00'00,0" E
E ₅	54°37'12,0" N	5°00'00,0" E
E ₆	55°00'00,0" N	5°00'00,0" E
E ₇	55°20'00,0" N	4°20'00,0" E
E ₈	55°45'54,0" N	3°22'13,0" E
D	55°50'06,0" N	3°24'00,0" E
S ₇	55°55'09,4" N	3°21'00,0" E
S ₆	55°46'21,8" N	4°15'00,0" E
S ₅	55°24'15,0" N	4°45'00,0" E
S ₄	55°15'00,0" N	5°09'00,0" E
S ₃	55°15'00,0" N	5°24'12,0" E
S ₂	55°30'40,3" N	5°45'00,0" E
S ₁	55°10'03,4" N	7°33'09,6" E
S ₀	55°05'59,4" N	8°02'44,4" E

The geographical coordinates of the above points shall be determined by reference to European Datum (ED 50).

The delimitation of the German exclusive economic zone in the North Sea shall be published in the Maritime Boundaries Chart 2920.

III

The outer limit of the exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany in the Baltic Sea shall be a line connecting the following points:

1.	54°45'24,0" N	10°13'06,0" E
2.	54°42'49,7" N	10°16'07,9" E
3.	54°40'29,6" N	10°18'29,9" E
4.	54°37'59,9" N	10°21'18,4" E
5.	54°37'15,4" N	10°22'27,6" E
6.	54°35'56,8" N	10°27'15,9" E
7.	54°34'37,0" N	10°31'58,5" E
8.	54°33'06,0" N	10°36'50,0" E

9.	54°32'39,8" N	10°39'37,3" E
10.	54°32'49,2" N	10°43'59,0" E
11.	54°34'52,3" N	10°48'02,1" E
12.	54°37'10,2" N	10°52'25,1" E
13.	54°38'14,6" N	10°54'15,3" E
14.	54°38'28,3" N	11°00'20,7" E
15.	54°38'16,3" N	11°04'30,0" E
16.	54°37'19,7" N	11°09'28,2" E
17.	54°36'33,0" N	11°12'30,9" E
18.	54°35'11,2" N	11°15'36,4" E
19.	54°34'11,6" N	11°19'17,7" E
20.	54°31'57,0" N	11°23'04,8" E
21.	54°29'53,1" N	11°26'36,6" E
22.	54°27'53,4" N	11°30'49,9" E
23.	54°25'47,7" N	11°34'55,1" E
24.	54°23'36,0" N	11°38'12,2" E
25.	54°21'56,7" N	11°40'20,7" E
26.	54°21'53,4" N	11°40'14,7" E
27.	54°22'00,5" N	11°56'25,6" E
28.	54°24'39,9" N	12°06'43,5" E
29.	54°41'15,9" N	12°26'35,7" E
30.	54°45'49,7" N	12°44'59,9" E
31.	54°50'01,7" N	12°56'02,4" E
32.	55°00'30,2" N	13°08'53,1" E
33.	55°00'37,9" N	13°09'26,8" E
34.	55°01'16,9" N	13°47'08,4" E
35.	54°57'53,9" N	13°59'15,3" E
36.	54°57'44,8" N	13°59'34,2" E
37.	54°48'45,0" N	14°10'22,0" E
38.	54°48'45,0" N	14°24'51,0" E
39.	54°39'30,0" N	14°24'51,0" E
40.	54°32'10,4" N	14°38'12,2" E
41.	54°31'57,7" N	14°37'42,0" E
42.	54°29'56,4" N	14°44'56,7" E
43.	54°22'56,5" N	14°35'55,7" E
44.	54°10'04,6" N	14°21'05,0" E
45.	54°07'35,0" N	14°14'18,9" E
46.	54°07'36,4" N	14°12'09,1" E.

The geographical coordinates of the above points shall be determined by reference to European Datum (ED 50).

The delimitation of the German exclusive economic zone in the Baltic Sea shall be published in the Maritime Boundaries Chart 2921.

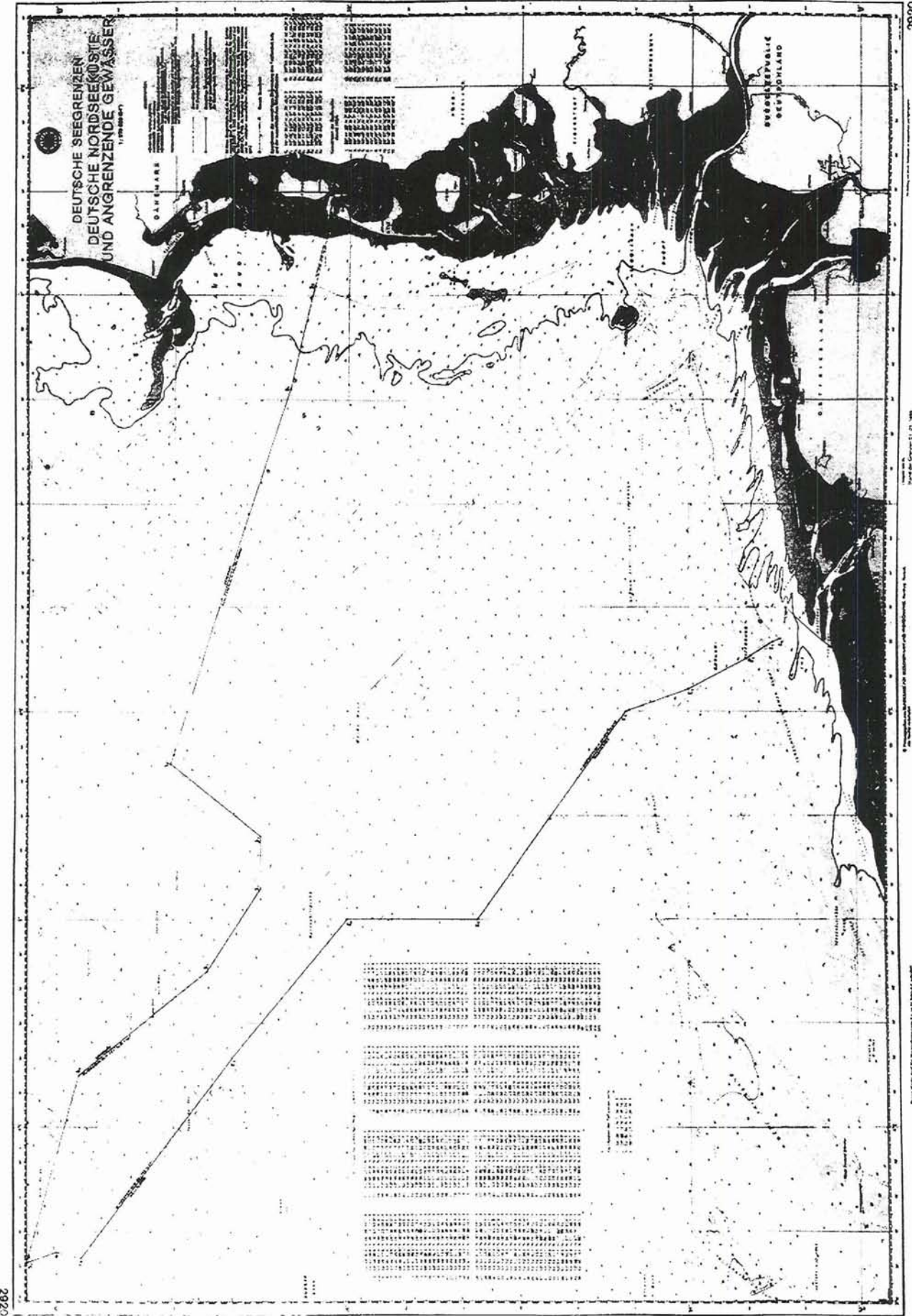
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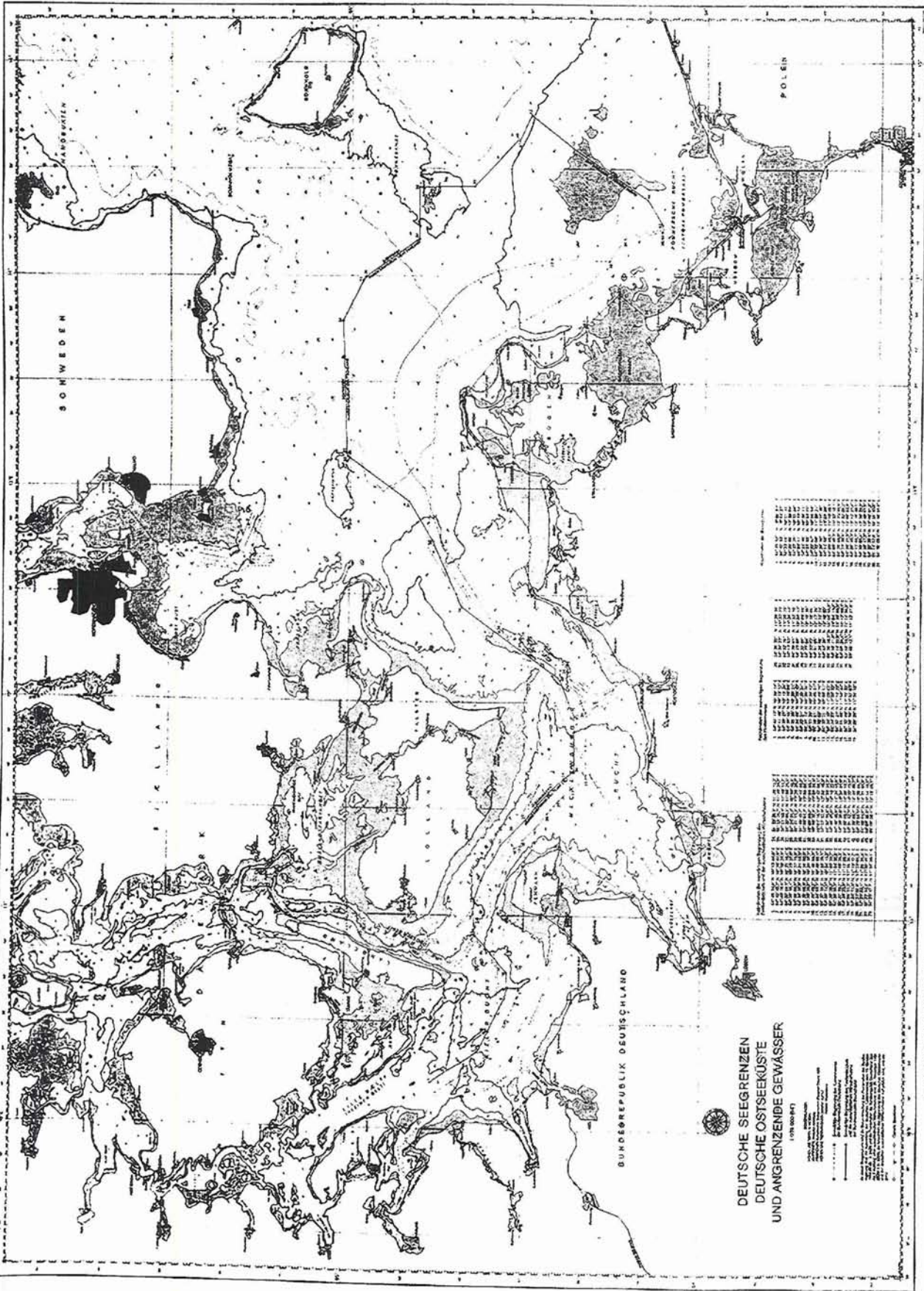
The lines connecting, respectively, points 25 and 26, 32 and 33, 35 and 36, as well as 40 and 41 have been drawn on the proviso that they are subject to pertinent agreements with the neighbouring States concerned in each case.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany will, at an appropriate later time and upon consultations, decide on the final positions of the points indicating the lateral delimitation of the exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany towards the Kingdom of the Netherlands (point E_0 in the North Sea) and towards the Kingdom of Denmark (point S_0 in the North Sea and point 1 in the Baltic Sea), as well as on the delimitation of the exclusive economic zone landward of each of these three points.

The details of application of the provisions of article 5(2) of the Treaty concluded on 22 May 1989 between the German Democratic Republic and the Polish People's Republic on the delimitation of their respective maritime areas in the Bay of Pomerania shall be subject to settlement at an appropriate later time and upon consultations with the Republic of Poland.

The above coordinates are given on the proviso that they are subject to a more precise calculation by the Federal Ministry of Transport (if and where appropriate) using the latest methods. Any such calculation shall be announced through official channels, and shall be incorporated in the official Maritime Boundaries Charts.





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