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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Notification

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S.R.O. No. 294-Law/2014/Act/MoFA/UNCLOS/113/2/14.—WHEREAS, according to sub-clause (b) of clause (1) of Article 143 of the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (hereinafter referred to as `Bangladesh'), all lands, minerals and other things of value underlying the ocean within the territorial waters, or the ocean over the continental shelf of Bangladesh, are the property of Bangladesh; and

WHEREAS, Bangladesh is a party to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1982 (hereinafter referred to as the `UNCLOS'); and

WHEREAS, in light of the Judgment of 14 March 2012 of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), Hamburg, Germany established under the UNCLOS, in the *Dispute Concerning Maritime Boundary between Bangladesh and Myanmar in the Bay of Bengal* (Case no. 16 of ITLOS); and in the light of the Award of 7 July, 2014 of the Arbitral Tribunal established under Annex VII of the UNCLOS in the matter of *the Bay of Bengal Maritime Boundary Arbitration* between the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Republic of India (Case no. BD-IN 123214 of PCA), it is expedient to determine, the maritime boundaries of Bangladesh in the Bay of Bengal by notification published in the official Gazette; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and necessary to determine distinctively the geographical position of the maritime boundaries in the Bay of Bengal between 'Bangladesh and Myanmar' and between 'Bangladesh and India';

THEREFORE, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 3(1), 5(1) and 7(2) of the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974 (Act No. XXVI of 1974), the Government, hereby, declares the maritime boundaries in the Bay of Bengal between 'Bangladesh and Myanmar', and between 'Bangladesh and India', shown in the map attached herewith, to be as follows:—

'BANGLADESH-MYANMAR'

- (1) The limits of the territorial waters, exclusive economic zone and continental shelf Of Bangladesh in the Bay of Bengal conterminous to Myanmar are as follows:—
 - (i) Territorial Sea.—The maritime boundary between Bangladesh and Myanmar in the 12 (twelve) Nautical Miles (NM) Territorial Sea—
 - (a) is defined by points 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 with the following coordinates [referred to World Geodetic System, 1984 (WGS-84)] and connected by geodetic lines:—

Points No.	Latitude	Longitude
1	20° 42' 15.8" N	92° 22' 07.2" E
2	20° 40' 45.0" N	92° 20' 29.0" E
3	20° 39' 51.0" N	92° 21' 11 .5" E
4	20° 37' 13.5" N	92° 23' 42.3" E
5	20° 35' 26. 7"N	92° 24' 58.5" E
6	20° 33' 17.8" N	92° 25' 46.0" E
7	20° 26′ 11.3″ N	92° 24' 52.4" E
8	20° 22' 46.1" N	92° 24' 09.1" E

;and

(b) from point 8 it follows the 12 (twelve) NM envelope of arcs around St. Martin's Island in a north-westerly direction until it intersects point 9 (with coordinates 20° 26' 39.2" N, 92° 09' 50. 7" E);

- (ii) Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM.—The single maritime boundary between Bangladesh and Myanmar in the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM are as below:—
 - (a) from point 9, a geodetic line until it reaches point 10 (with coordinates 20° 13′ 06.3″ N, 92° 00′ 07.6″ E);
 - (b) from point 10, a geodetic line until it reaches point 11 (with coordinates 20° 03' 32.0" N, 91° 50' 31.8" E); and
 - (c) from point 11, a geodetic line with an azimuth of 215° until it meets the outer limit of Bangladesh's Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM at the point with coordinates 17° 52' 34.06" N, 90° 15' 4.66" E; and
- (iii) Continental Shelf beyond 200 (two hundreds) NM.—The 215° line continues in the same direction until it meets the maritime boundary between Bangladesh and India as described below (at the point with coordinates 16° 43′ 28.74″ N, 89° 25′ 54.37″ E).

'BANGLADESH-INDIA'

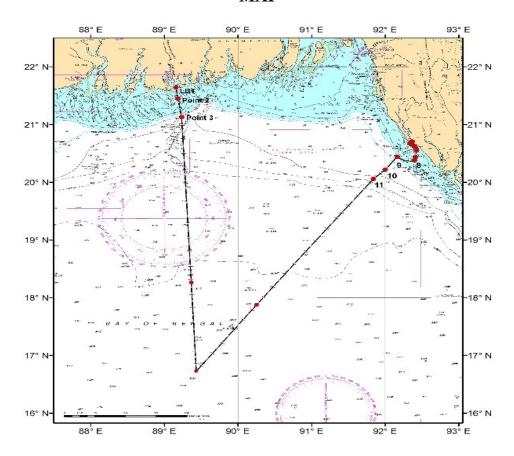
- (2) The limits of the territorial waters, exclusive economic zone and continental shelf of Bangladesh in the Bay of Bengal adjacent/conterminous to India are as follows:—
 - (i) Land Boundary Terminus.—The Land Boundary Terminus (LBT) between Bangladesh and India was determined by the Sir Cyril Radcliff Award of 1947. The coordinates of this point referred to Everest 1830 and WGS-84 are as follows (all other points are referred to WGS-84 only):

DATUM	Latitude	Longitude
Everest 1830	21° 38' 37.2" N	89° 09' 29.4" E
WGS-84	21° 38' 40.2" N	89° 09' 20.0" E

(ii) Territorial Sea.—The maritime boundary between Bangladesh and India in the 12(twelve) Nautical Mile (NM) Territorial Sea is defined by a line joining the LBT and point 2 (with coordinates 21° 26′ 43.6″ N, 89° 10′ 59.2″ E);

- (iii) Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM.—The single maritime boundary between Bangladesh and India in the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM are as below:—
 - (a) from point 2, a geodetic line until it reaches point 3 (with coordinates 21° 07' 44.8" N, 89° 13' 56.5" E); and
 - (b) from point 3, a geodetic line with an azimuth of 177° 30'00" until it meets the outer limits of Bangladesh's Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf within 200 (two hundreds) NM at the point with coordinates 18° 15' 54.12" N, 89° 21' 47.56" E.
- (iv) Continental Shelf beyond 200 (two hundreds) NM.—The 177° 30'00" line continues in the same direction until it meets the maritime boundary between Bangladesh and Myanmar as described above (at the point with coordinates 16° 43' 28.74" N, 89° 25' 54.37" E).

MAP



- 2. **Repeal and savings.**—(1) S.R.O Nos. 207-Law /2012 /Act/ MOFA / UNCLOS/113/2/12, dated 19 June, 2012 and 208-Law/2012/ MOFA/ UNCLOS/113/2/112, dated 19 June, 2012 are hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the repealed notifications shall be deemed to have been done or taken under this notification.
 - 3. This notification shall be deemed to have come into effect on 14 July, 2014.

By the order of the President,

MD. SHAHIDUL HAQUE

Foreign Secretary.

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