

**Agreement concerning the boundary line dividing the continental shelf
between Iran and Qatar,
20 September 1969**

The Imperial Government of Iran and the Government of Qatar, desirous of establishing in a just, equitable and precise manner the boundary line between the respective areas of continental shelf over which they have sovereign rights in accordance with international law,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Boundary line dividing the continental shelf lying between the territory of Iran, on the one side, and that of Qatar, on the other side, shall consist of geodetic lines between the following points in the sequence given below:

Point (1) is the westernmost point on the westernmost part of the northern boundary line of the continental shelf appertaining to Qatar formed by a line of geodetic azimuth 278 degrees 14 minutes 27 seconds west from Point 2 below.

	Lat. N.	Long. E.
Point (2)	27° 00' 35"	51° 23' 00"
Point (3)	26° 56' 20"	51° 44' 05"
Point (4)	26° 33' 25"	52° 12' 10"
Point (5)	26° 06' 20"	52° 42' 30"
Point (6)	25° 31' 50"	53° 02' 05"

Article 2

If any single geological petroleum structure or petroleum field, or any single geological structure or field of any other mineral deposit, extends across the Boundary line set out in article (1) of this Agreement and the part of such structure or field which is situated on one side of that Boundary line could be exploited wholly or in part by directional drilling from the other side of the Boundary line, then:

- (a) No well shall be drilled on either side of the Boundary line as set out in article (1) so that any producing section thereof is less than 125 metres from the said Boundary line, except by mutual agreement between the two Governments,
- (b) Both Governments shall endeavour to reach agreement as to the manner in which the operations on both sides of the Boundary line could be co-ordinated or unitized.

Article 3

The Boundary line referred to in article (1) herein has been illustrated on the British Admiralty Chart No. 2837 which is annexed to this Agreement.

The said Chart has been made in duplicate and signed by the representatives of both Governments, each of whom has retained one copy thereof.

Article 4

Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the status of the superjacent waters or airspace above any part of the continental shelf.

Article 5

(a) This Agreement shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Doha, Qatar, as soon as possible.

(b) This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of instruments of ratification.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Doha, Qatar, the 20th September 1969, corresponding to the 9th Rajab 1389 and corresponding to the 29th Shahrivar 1348, in the Persian, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authoritative.