

ANNEX A

Joint Contingency Plan concerning Pollution Incidents Resulting from Offshore Hydrocarbon Exploration or Exploitation

Paragraph 1.

- 1.1. For the purpose of this Annex “areas of responsibility” means with respect to Canada, those areas of Nares Strait, Baffin Bay and Davis Strait between Canada and Greenland west of the dividing line established by the Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Government of Canada relating to the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf between Greenland and Canada, signed at Ottawa on December 17, 1973, and with respect to Denmark, those areas of Nares Strait, Baffin Bay and Davis Strait east of the above mentioned dividing line, and further shall include those areas of the Labrador Sea in which, in accordance with international law, Canada and Denmark have, respectively, sovereign rights.
- 1.2. The Party within whose area of responsibility a pollution incident occurs shall make an assessment of the nature and extent of the pollution incident or, as the case may be, of the type and approximate quantity of harmful substances floating on, or suspended in the sea, and the direction and speed of movement of such substances.
- 1.3. In its area of responsibility each Party shall respond expeditiously and to the best of its ability to a pollution incident that affects or threatens to affect the area of responsibility of the other Party.
- 1.4. When a pollution incident occurs, each Party shall respond expeditiously and to the best of its ability to a call for assistance from the other Party.
- 1.5. Action taken by a Party in accordance with this Paragraph shall be consistent with its relevant laws and regulations and subject to the operational requirements or other obligations of the appropriate agencies of each Party.

Paragraph 2.

- 2.1. Information shall be exchanged regarding drilling operations and related matters. Such information shall be exchanged when plans are being considered for approval, during drilling operations and in the phases subsequent to the completion of drilling.
- 2.2. The Parties shall exchange information on the status and implementation of their respective pollution contingency plans including the contingency plans of concessionaires/operators.