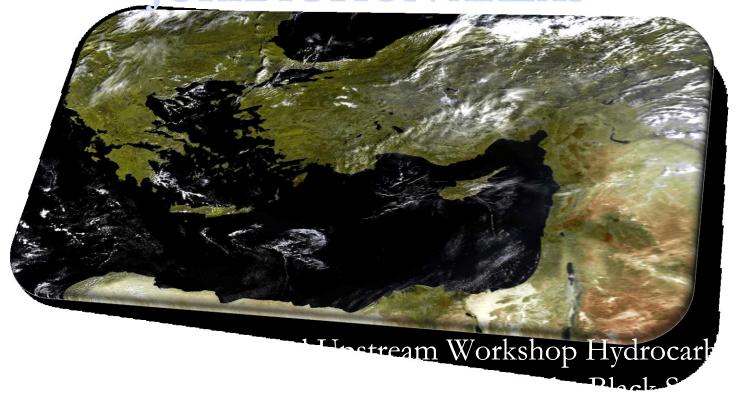


TURKEY & MARITIME







the East Mediterranean

Athens, 1 November, 2013



TURKEY

16th largest economy in the world 6th in Europe Surrounded by 3 seas % 90 of Foreign Trade through MT 15th largest C.Fleet with 1219 vessels(547 TF – 672 FF) 8322 km coastal length Turkish Straits key to int. shipping



TURKEY'S MARITIME AREAS 4 Enclosed / Semi-enclosed SEAS





BLACK SEA

No maritime jurisdiction conflict between Turkey and 5 other littoral states.

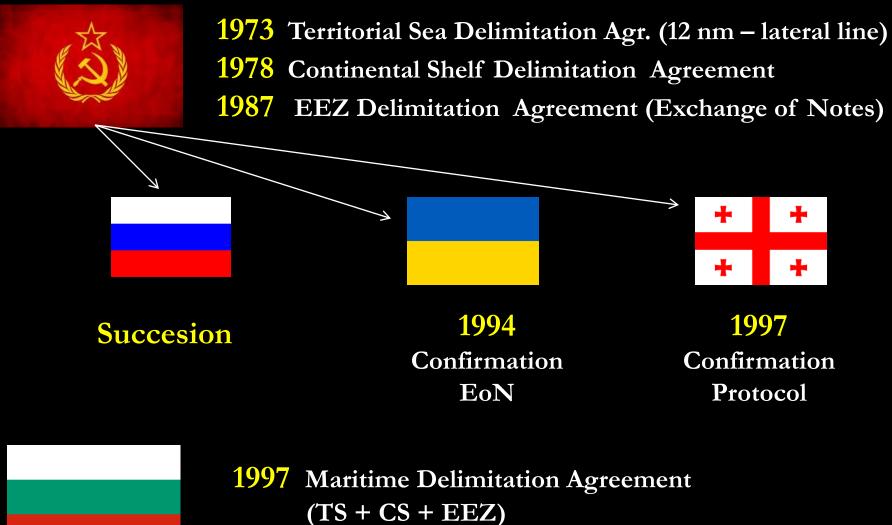
Territorial Sea limit 12 miles

Continental Shelf and EEZ delimited by bilateral agreements





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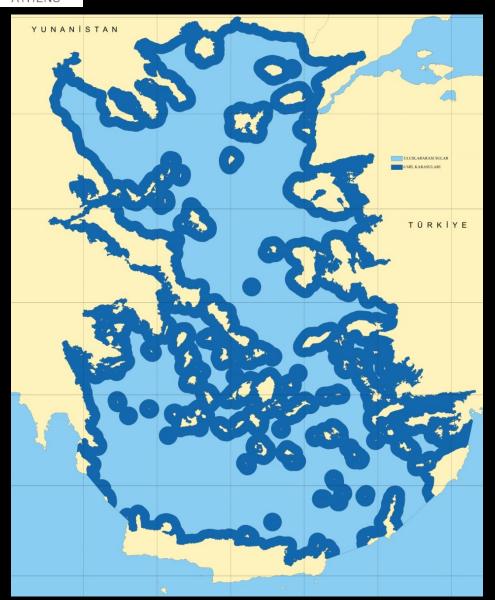


BLACK SEA DELIMITATION





AEGEAN SEA



2 Littoral States

6 nm territorial sea limit

No CS delimitation

No maritime boundary agreement



MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Multiple littoral states

12 nm TS limit

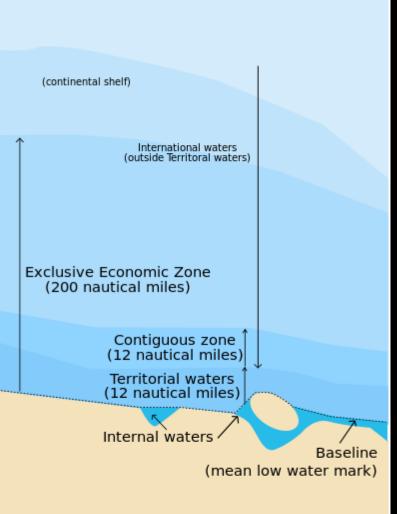
No EEZ - CS delimitation agreement

Cyprus – Middle East Issues





MARITIME AREAS/ZONES



Internal Waters : Lie landward of the baseline

Full sovereignty

No innocent passage

Territorial Waters: Max 12 nm

Full sovereignty/Innocent

passage

Continental Shelf: 200 nm + natural prolongation

ab initio and ipso facto

sovereign rights + jurisdiction

seabed + subsoil

EEZ : 200 nm

sovereign rights + jurisdiction

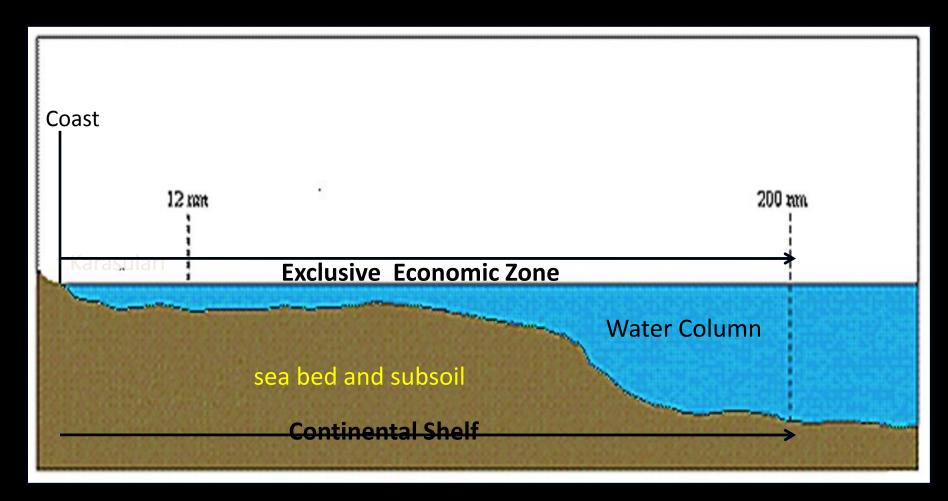
seabed + subsoil + WATER

COLUMN

proclamation



DIFFERIENCE BIETWIEEN CS & IEEZ





DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CS & EEZ

CONTINENTAL SHELF

200 NM (+)

seabed and subsoil

ab initio and ipso facto

(inherent right no need for proclamation)

EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE

200 NM

seabed and subsoil

+ WATER COLUMN

Needs to be proclaimed for enforcement



in practice , most imp. difference is

FISHERIES





MARITIMIE DELIMITATION IS ACHIEVED THROUGH

Bilateral

Agreements

ICJ or
Arbitration

- should be on the basis of international law
- should not infringe upon 3rd parties' rights

(Provisional arrangement until final delimitation is also possible)

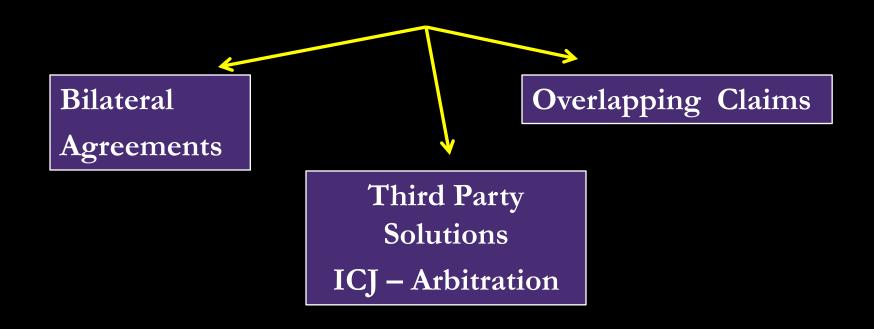
IF NO DELIMITATION IS ACHIEVED

OVERLAPPING & DISPUTED CLAIMS

Overlapping entitlements to maritime rights and jurisdiction



THE WAY AHEAD





AEGEAN ISSUES





AEGEAN ISSUES

GREEK POSITION

Only One Issue
Only one means of settlement

TURKISH POSITION

Several Interrelated Issues Several means of settlement



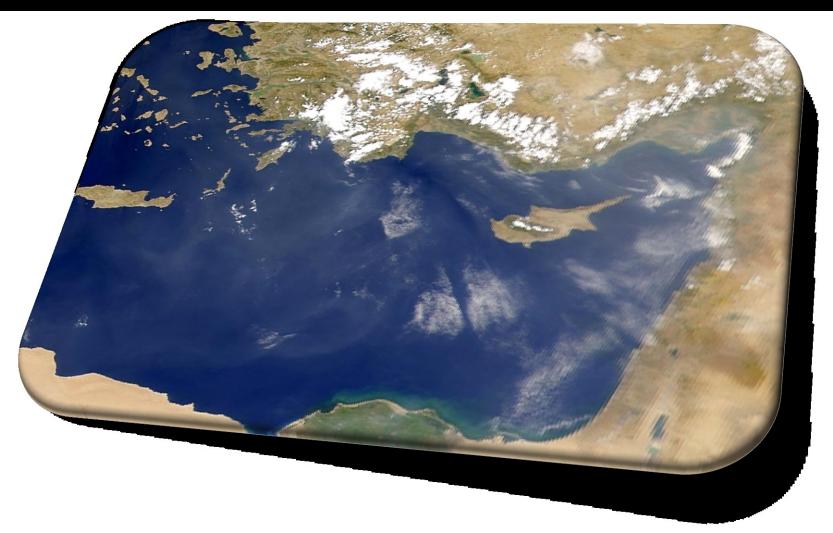
THE WAY AHEAD FOR AEGEAN DISPUTES

EXPLORATORY TALKS - SO FAR: 55 ROUNDS





MEDITERRANEAN ISSUES



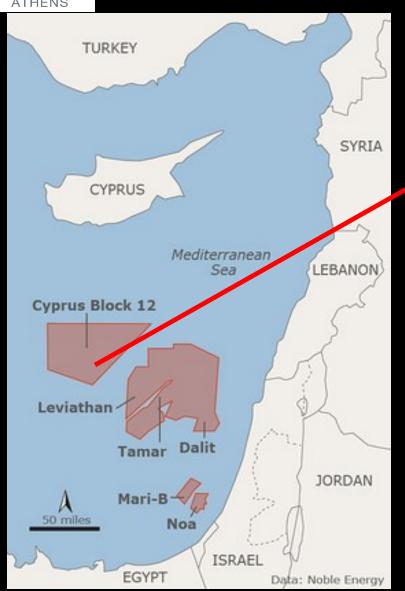


EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN





EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN GC's OFF-SHORE DRILLING





GC's started off-shore drilling on 19 September 2011



THE WAY AHEAD IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

PROPOSAL OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS TO THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL 24 SEPTEMBER 2011 & 29 SEPTEMBER 2012

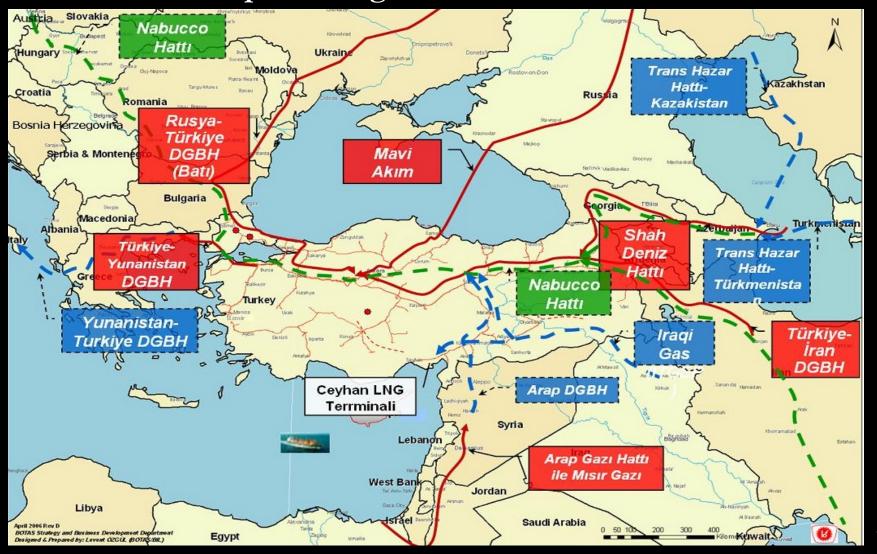
EQUITABLE SHARING

Doth sides should meet under the auspices of the UN SG and determine jointly the future course of off-shore oil/gas activities, including revenue sharing and funding of a possible settlement.



THE WAY AHEAD IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Turkey: Safest, most feasible, profitable gateway to the European oil/gas markets

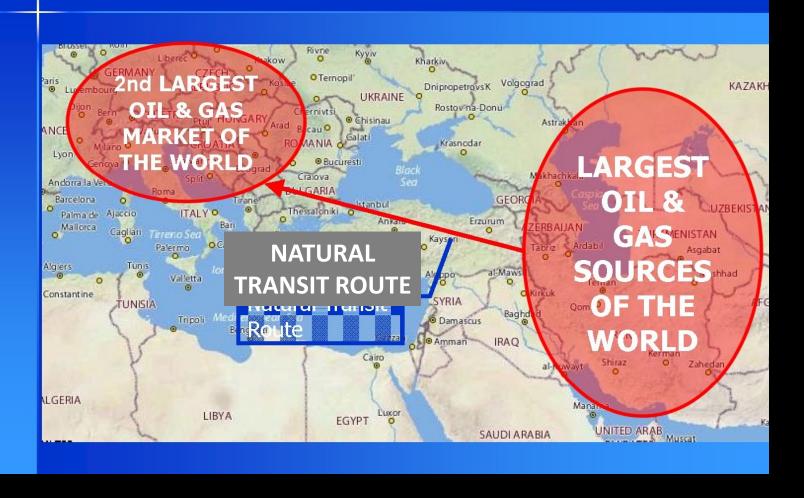




TURKEY HAS THE

MARKETTING INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE

GAS TO EUROPE AND TURKEY'S TRANSIT ROLE

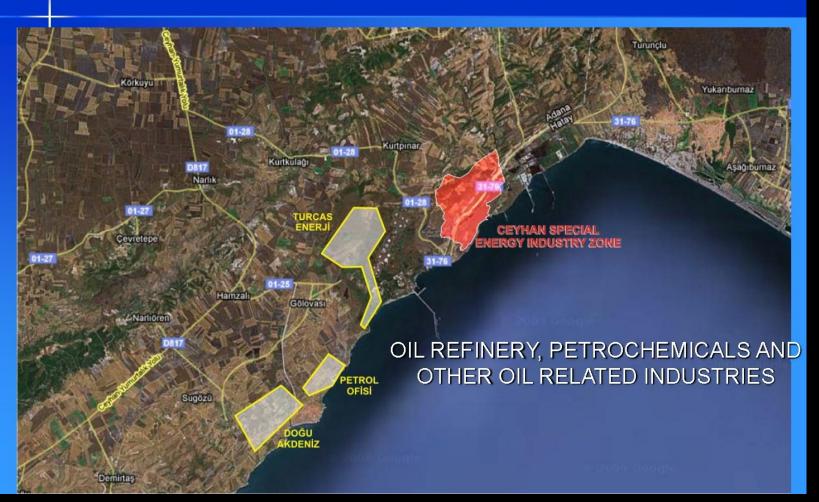




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INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE

CEYHAN PORT



TURKEY'S CS CLAIM



Coastal Lenghts: TURKEY 1792 km EGYPT 1062 km (Total)

TURKEY 969 km EGYPT 850 km (West of Cyprus)



GREEK – GREEK CYPRIOT EEZ-CS CLAIM





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EQUIDISTANCE IS NOT THE ONLY METHOD

BECAUSE THE MEDIAN LINE IS TAKEN AS THE ONLY CS/EEZ DELIMITATION METHOD

YET

The method of equidistance/median line is not reffered to as such in UNCLOS

and

it does not enjoy a unique and privileged method in CS/EEZ delimitation since the fundamental legal norm is equitable delimitation

taking into account all RELEVANT & SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES at hand



EQUIDISTANCE IS NOT THE ONLY METHOD

In state practice and in jurisprudence of international courts pertaining to CS/EEZ delimitation, equidistance line is taken as a preliminary step, but then modified/adjusted by giving due account to a number of circumstances in order to produce an equitable result



EQUITABLE DELIMITATION VS. MEDIAN LINE

GEOGRAPHICAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- general configuration of the coasts,
- location of the coasts and their relationship (oppositeness and adjacency)
- ☐ the length of the coastlines
- distance between the respective coasts
- ☐ the location of the land frontier/its direction towards seaward extension
- the presence of islands and their size and positions



EQUITABLE DELIMITATION VS. MEDIAN LINE

NON- GEOGRAPHICAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- geological and geomorphological factors
- If ishing resources and history of fishing
- environmental facts
- navigational rights and interests
- defense and security interests
- economic circumstances
- □ historical rights
- common mineral deposits and history of oil/natural gas development in the area



QUESTIONS & FACTS (1)

After taking into consideration those circumstances

PROPORTIONALITY TEST

is applied

At the end of bilateral negotiations OR

Court Proceedings
To determine whether
THE OUTCOME IS EQUITABLE OR NOT



QUESTIONS & FACTS (1)

In conclusion, we can not

- ignore the relevant circumstances
- treat the islands like a continental land area.
- disregard the proportionality/equitability test



Role of Islands in CS/EEZ Delimitation

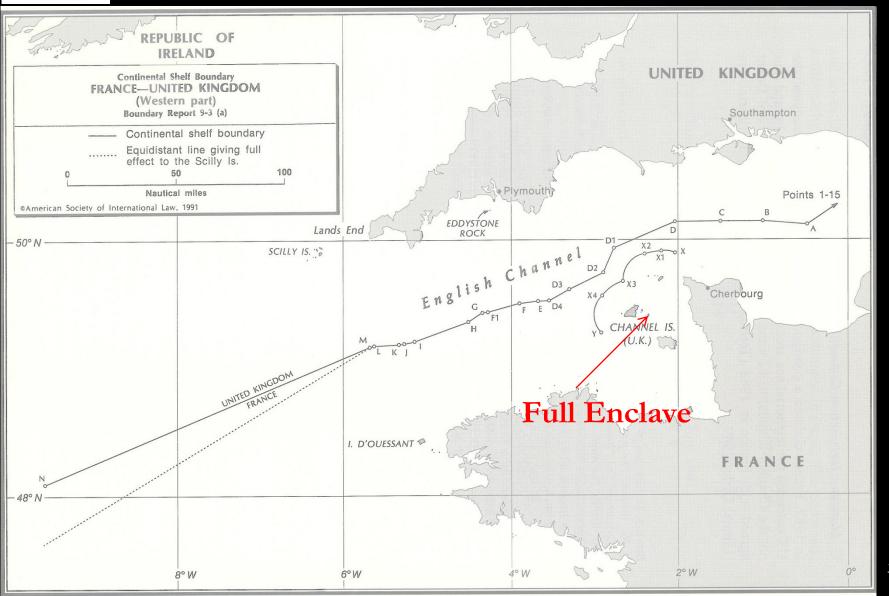
Islands do not generate full maritime zones when they are competing directly against continental land areas.

Jurisprudence and state practice

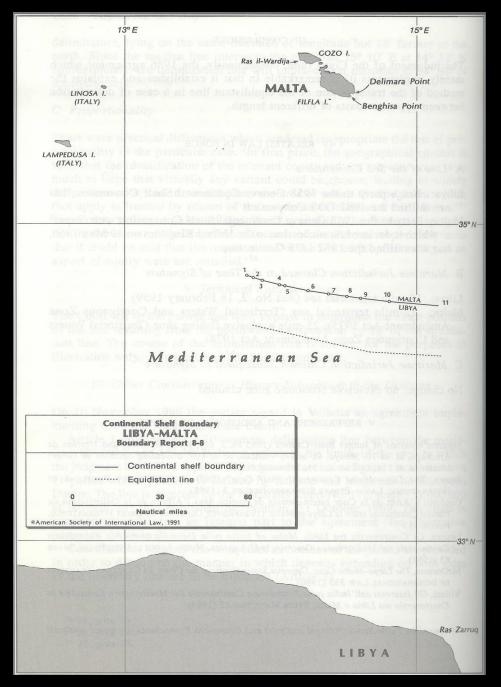
Some examples may be useful to illustrate how the Court or tribunals reasoned.



UK-FRANCE CS DELIMITATION CASE – 1977 NO-EFFECT/FULL ENCLAVE





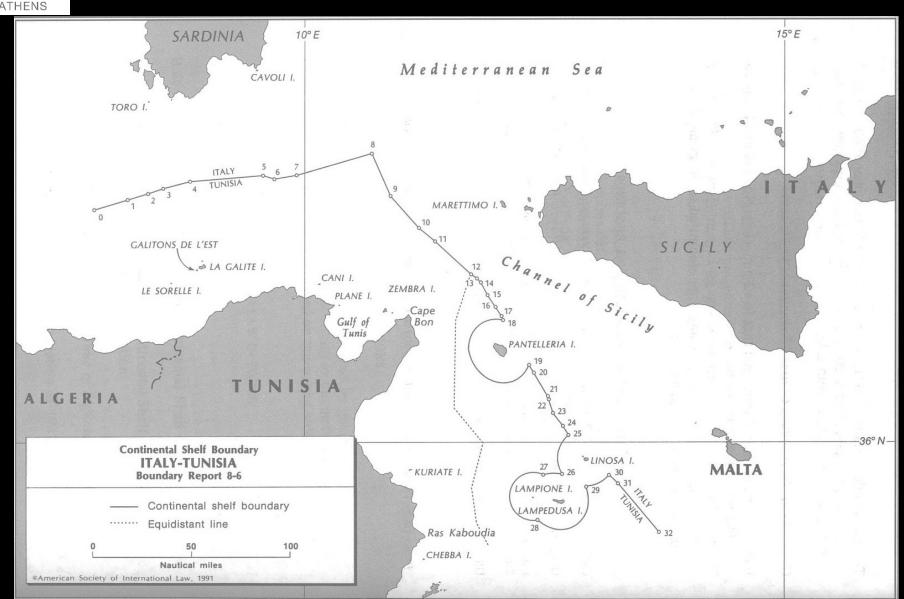


LIBYA - MALTA ICJ CONTINENTAL SHELF BOUNDARY JUDGMENT: 1985

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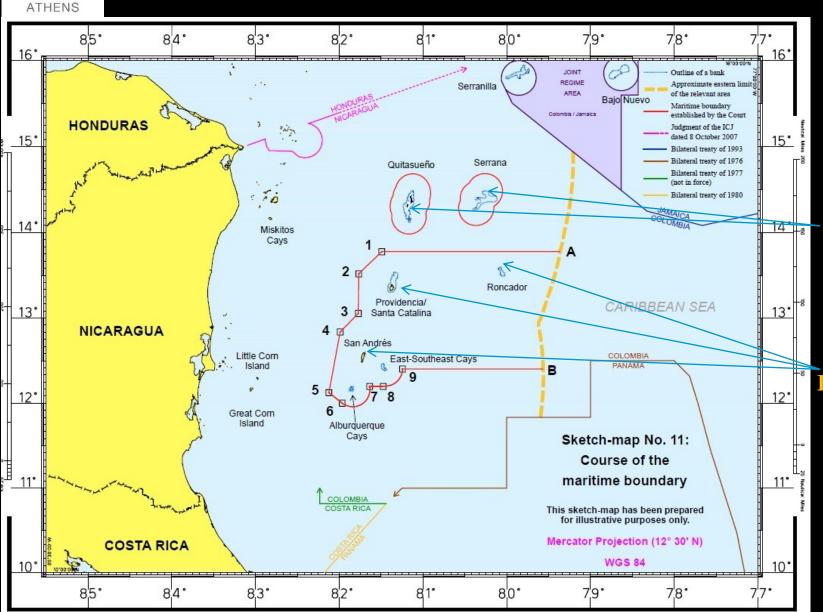


ITALY / TUNISIA CONTINENTAL SHELF AGREEMENT: 1971





COLOMBIA NICARAGUA CASE – 2012



No-Effect/Full Enclave

Half Effect



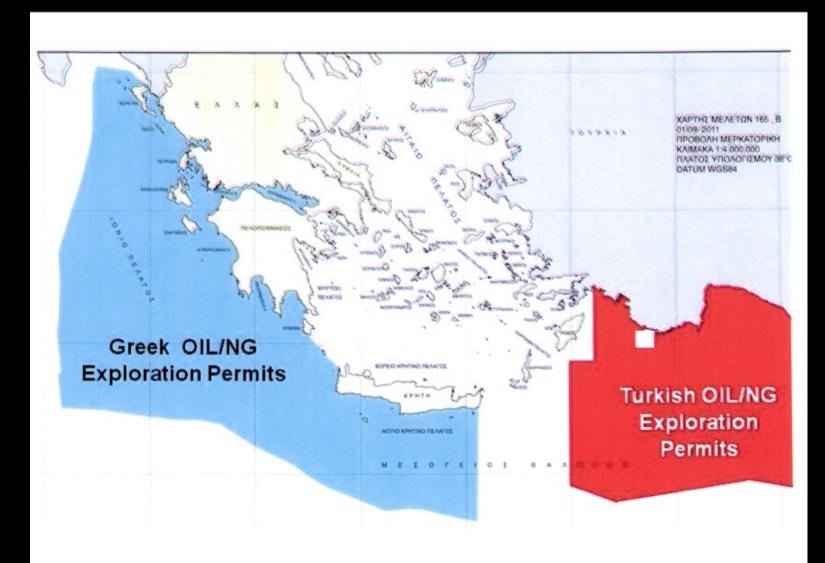
More Cases

- Ukraine Romania
- Libya Malta
- Bangladesh Myanmar
- Libya Tunisia
- Guinea Guinea-Bissau
- Italy Tunisia (Bilateral Treaty)
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THE WAY AHEAD IN THE MEDITERRANEAN TURKEY-GREECE

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THANKYOU Questions ???

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