LAWS OF BRUNEI

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CONTINENTAL SHELF PROCLAMATION 1954

BY HIS HIGHNESS THE SULTAN IN COUNCIL (SEAL)
(Signed) Omar Ali Saifuddin.

His Highness the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan.

WHEREAS it is desirable to give encouragement to any efforts which will bring about the greater utilisation of the world's natural resources.

WHEREAS valuable resources may underlie the seas of the Coasts of Brunei, and it is becoming increasingly practicable to utilise such submerged resources.

WHEREAS it is desirable in the interest of protection, conservation and orderly development, that the exploitation of such resources should be properly controlled.

WHEREAS it is just that the seabed and subsoil extending to a reasonable distance from the coast should appertain to and be controlled by the littoral state to which it is adjacent.

WHEREAS the right of a littoral state to exercise its control over the natural resources of the seabed and subsoil adjacent to its coasts has been established in international practice by the action of other states.

Now, therefore. We, the Sultan of Brunei in pursuance of all powers enabling us in that behalf, are pleased to proclaim and it is hereby proclaimed as follows —

1. The area of the continental shelf, being the seabed and its subsoil which lies beneath the high seas contiguous to the territorial waters of Brunei, is hereby annexed to and shall form part of Brunei.

2. Nothing in this proclamation shall affect the character as high seas of any waters above the said area of the continental shelf.

Given at Brunei this 30th day of June, 1954, under the hand and seal of His Highness the Sultan of Brunei.

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

Notification under the Proclamation S.40/84

A large scale map Series: Misc 1 Edition: 1 JUAB SHEET 2 which is deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General has been published indicating the boundaries of the Continental Shelf of Brunei Darussalam.

Dated 22nd November 1984.