INTERIM ARRANGEMENT PENDING MARITIME DELIMITATION: SOME SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES

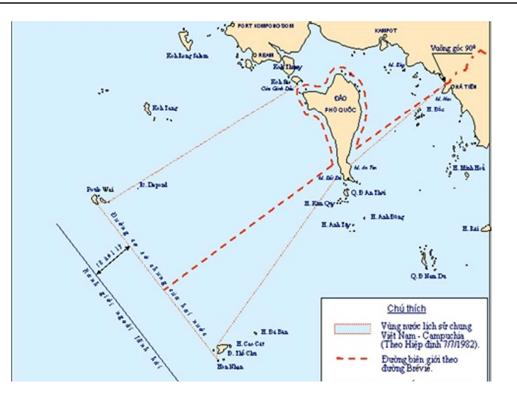
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MAIN POINTS

- 1. Rationale for practice selection
- 2. Cambodia and Vietnam historic water agreement
- 3. China and South Korea joint fishing agreement
- 4. Malaysia and Vietnam joint development
- 5. Lessons learnt

REASONALE FOR PRACTICE SELECTION

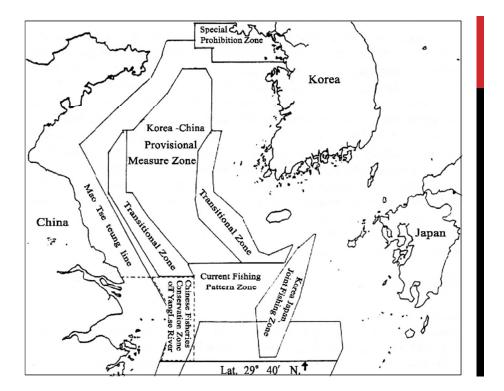
- Successful arrangements in pending for maritime delimitation
- Different models of cooperation
- Regional state practices



CAMBODIA & VIETNAM HISTORICAL AGREEMENT

Concluded on 7/7/1982 :

- Brevie is used to divide the sovereignty over islands: islands on the North of the line belong to Cambodia and islands on the South of the line belong to Vietnam.
- The historic water is provided under the common management regime:
 - Joint patrol
 - Joint exploiting the natural resources including fisheries



LIMITATIONS

- No prospect for maritime delimitation in sight
- The legal ground of "historic water" is questionable

CHINA & SOUTH KOREA JOINT FISHING AGREEMENT

Three zones for joint fishing regime of EEZ :

- Provisional Measure Zone
- Two Transitional Zones
- Fishing Pattern Zone

Two other zones:

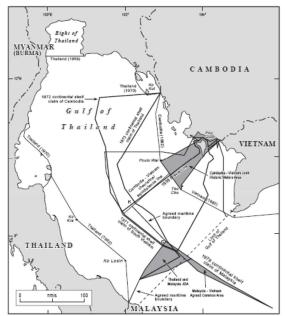
- Special Prohibition Zone
- Fisheries Conservation Zone off the Yangtse River Initial period of five years and automatically extended

ACHIEVEMENTS AND LIMITATIONS

- Creative models of cooperation that bridge the gaps in positions of two parties
- Help the parties to build confidence and maritime delimitation negotiation is expected this year
- Well based on international law (EEZ regime)

- Lack of clarity in some areas
- Lack of effectiveness at operational levels: Incidents still occur
- Lack of multilateral regime

MALAYSIA & VIETNAM JOINT DEVELOPMENT

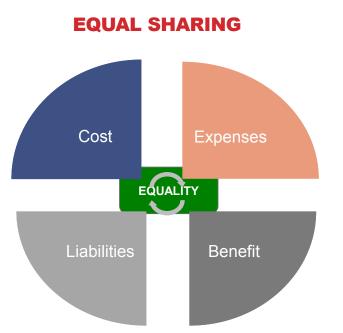


Overlapping area:

- Length: over 100 miles
- Width: less than 10 miles

The announcement of Halminton: 4,400 barrels of oil/ day from Bunga Orkid-1

Precedent of joint development between Malaysia and Thailand



ACHIEVEMENTS AND LIMITATIONS

The simple but work

- Successfully
 implemented for 19 years
- Economic benefit for both countries
- Based on international law (CS regime)
- Build confidence and foster further cooperation on joint submission of the extended continental shelf

No expressed 'functional' provisions on rights relating to:

- fishing,
- navigation, hydrographic and oceanographic surveys,
- the prevention and control of marine pollution,
- criminal jurisdiction and
- other similar matters in the JDA

LESSONS LEARNT

Good will

- Conducting self-restrain
- Clarity on scope of maritime claims based on international law
- Flexibility in the quest for a suitable model of cooperation
- "No prejudice" clause
- Equitable sharing of benefits and responsibilities

THANK YOU!