



International Law Moot Court Competition Asia Cup 2022
Corrections and Clarifications

The Parties of the Case Concerning the Chelonia Trench and the Ocean Challenger have jointly submitted the following corrections and clarifications to the Registrar of the Court. Attached to this document are two maps that reflect the Parties' agreed understanding of their claims in the Nereus Sea and the specific location of an event relevant to the dispute. The corrections and clarifications form an integral part of the Asia Cup 2022 Problem, which is amended and elaborated accordingly. Requests for questions not answered in this document were considered by the Parties as redundant, irrelevant, or too general, or the Parties were unable to agree upon an answer to them.

Corrections

1. Insert “in the Chelonia Trench area” after “the Republic of Rhotia” in paragraph 21(a)(ii) and “the State of Archang” in paragraph 21(b)(ii).
2. Replace “foot of the continental shelf” with “foot of the slope” in the first sentence of paragraph 6.

Clarifications

1. The term “Chelonia Trench area” is used to refer to the area where the continental shelf claims of Archang and Rhotia overlap, including the superjacent waters of the continental shelf. The Chelonia Trench area is the only area where the maritime entitlements of Archang and Rhotia could overlap.
2. There are two 2500m isobath lines on both sides of the deepest part of the Chelonia Trench, running in parallel to the trench.
3. Archang's domestic legislation does not require scientists or research institutions in Archang to apply for government approval before conducting scientific research activities in waters under its jurisdiction. Although the Archang coast guard keeps track of all vessel traffic in Archang waters, the government was not actively aware of the research cruise in 2012 before its results were reported.
4. In response to Rhotia's protest in August 2012, Archang refuted the protest by stating that it also has claims to the area and that the area's status as an undelimited maritime area should not hinder research for the advancement of scientific knowledge.

5. During its activities starting from March 8, 2021, the *Ocean Challenger* was within the Chelonia Trench area until it returned to its port.

6. Ms. Kashee's communication by radio was received by the Rhotia coast guard. However, the patrol vessel chose not to respond because its orders had not been complied with.

7. In its prayer for relief, Archang is requesting the Court to adjudge and declare the method of delimitation to be applied in the Chelonia Trench area and is not asking the Court to determine the course of the boundary.

8. In its prayer for relief, Rhotia is requesting the Court to adjudge and declare that the appropriate method for delimiting the Chelonia Trench area is to draw a maritime boundary that would result in the apportionment of equal areas between Rhotia and Archang.

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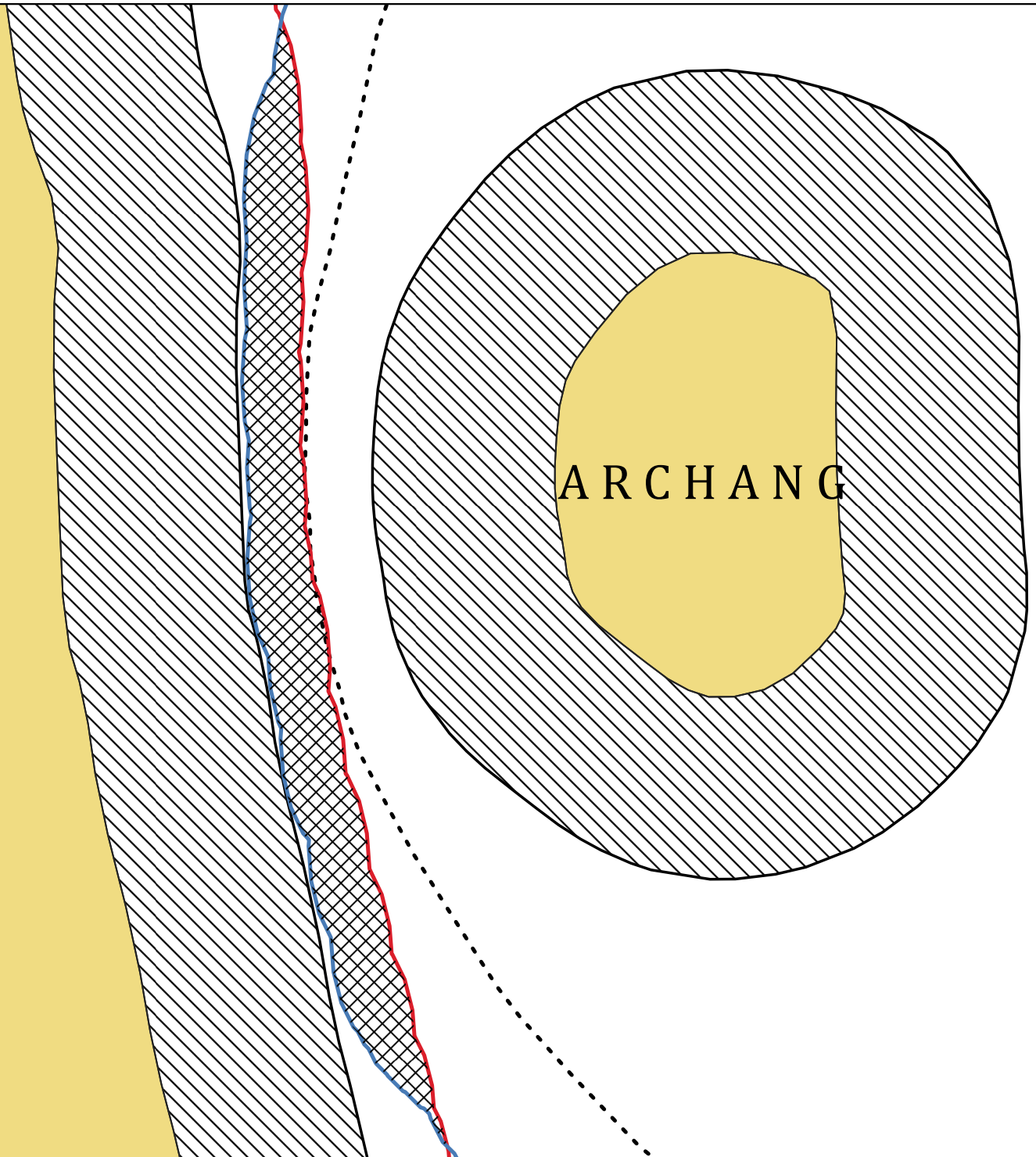
Map 1

The maritime claims of
Archang and Rhotia

R H O T I A

Legend

- Outer limits of the continental shelf based on submissions of Archang to the CLCS
- Outer limits of the continental shelf based on submissions of Rhotia to the CLCS
- ▨ Exclusive Economic Zones
- - - Equidistance line between Archang and Rhotia
- ⊠ Chelonia Trench area



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Map 2

Location of the Ocean Challenger
at the time of its boarding

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- Outer limits of the continental shelf based on submission of Rhotia to the CLCS
- ▨ Exclusive Economic Zones
- ▩ Chelonia Trench Area
- ★ Location of the Ocean Challenger at the time of its boarding

