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STATEMENT

by the Spokesperson on the agreement between the Philippines and Indonesia on the boundary between their exclusive economic zones in the Mindanao Sea and Celebes Sea

"We welcome the agreement between the Governments of the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Indonesia on the delimitation of their overlapping exclusive economic zones (EEZs) in the Mindanao Sea and Celebes Sea as a positive example of a peaceful and cooperative solution of a maritime dispute in accordance with international law.

The agreement attests to the commitment of the partners to engage in a consultative process of dispute settlement based on equality and mutual respect and is a significant contribution to a rules based regional community."