

### Canada's Experience in Maritime Dispute Management

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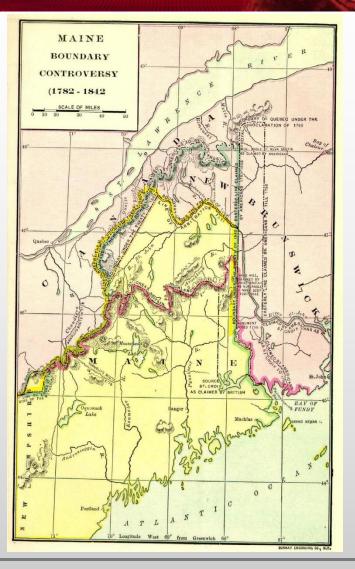
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- Arrival of aboriginal population from Asia: 10,000 to 15,000 years ago
- EaTrliest French and English settlement 500 years ago
- Canadian territory gradually acquired from Britain, just as Canadian independence was gradually established.

## CHINA INSTITUTE Canada, with international, disputed, and exclusive economic zone maritime boundaries



#### CHINA INSTITUTE Maine and New Hampshire boundary controversies 中国学院 (1782-1842)



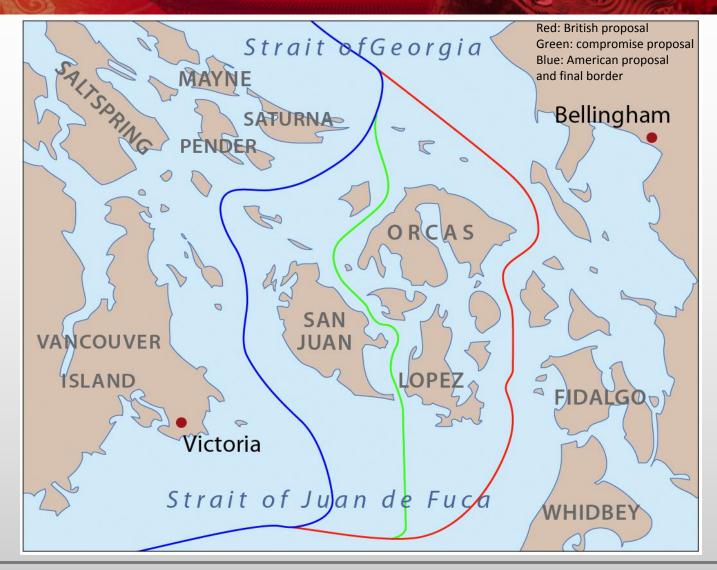
Source: Dixon Ryan Fox, Harper's Atlas of American History, 1920

#### Oregon boundary dispute (1812-1846)



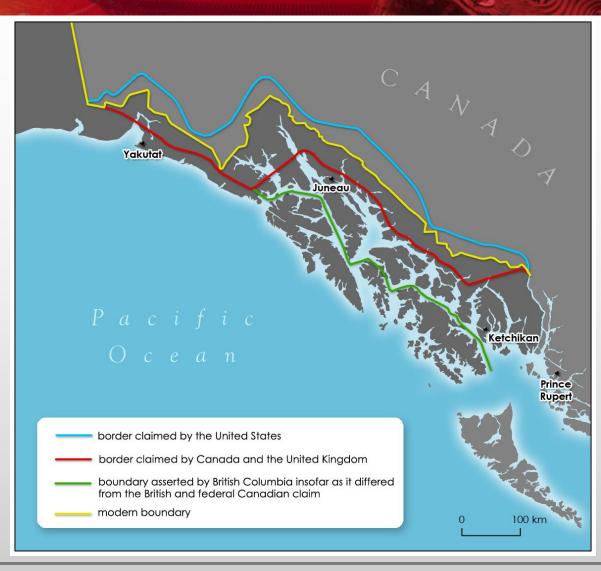
Source: University of Maine Farmington

### "Pig War" (1846-1874)



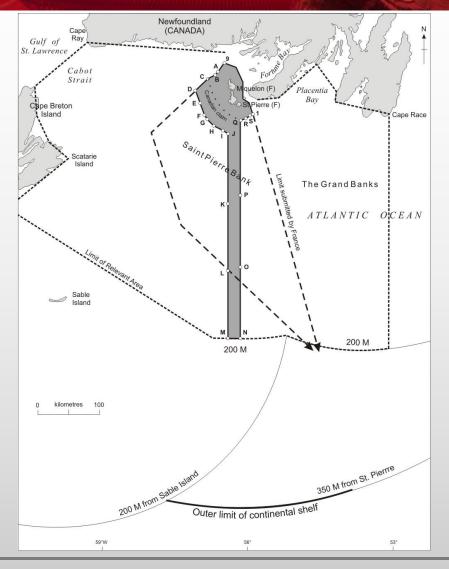
Source: Information from Derek Hayes, *Historical Atlas of the Pacific Northwest* 

#### Alaska boundary dispute (1821-1903)



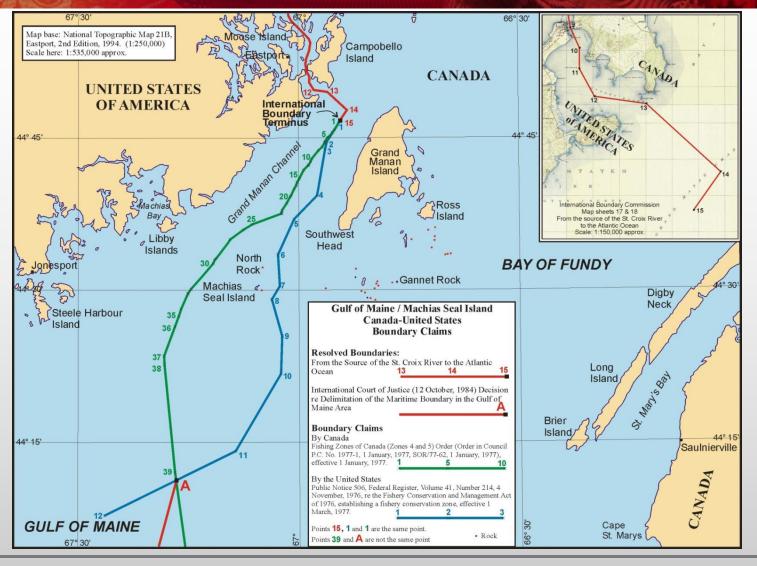
Source: Based on 1926 map by William R. Shepherd

#### CHINA INSTITUTE 中国学院 St. Pierre et Miquelon dispute (1972-1992)



Source: Andi Arsana, International Zeitschrift

#### CHINA INSTITUTE Gulf of Maine - Machias Seal Island and North 中国学院 Rock dispute



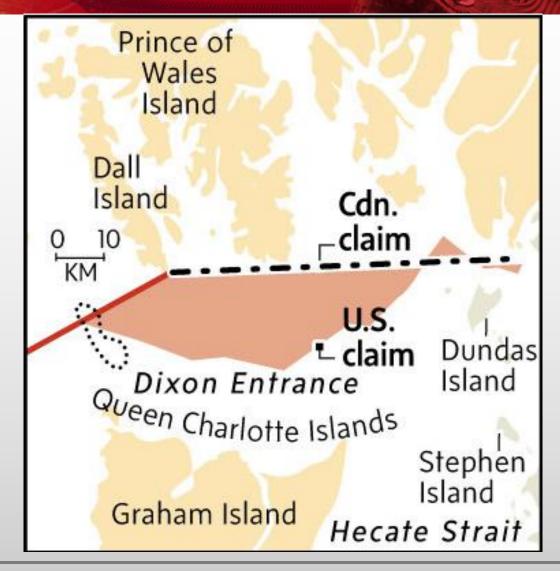
Source: Association of Canada Lands Surveyors

#### Juan de Fuca Strait dispute



Source: David H. Gray, Canada's Unresolved Maritime Boundaries

#### Dixon Entrance dispute



Source: David H. Gray, *Canada's Unresolved Maritime Boundaries* 

#### Beaufort Sea dispute

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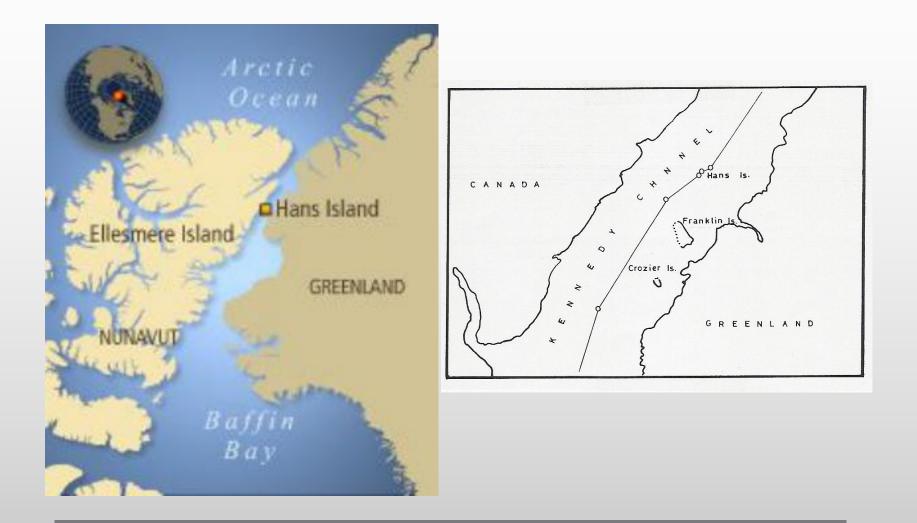
Source: ArcticEcon

## CHINA INSTITUTE Canadian Coast Guard vessel Louis S. St-Laurent (front) and US Coast Guard vessel Healy (back)

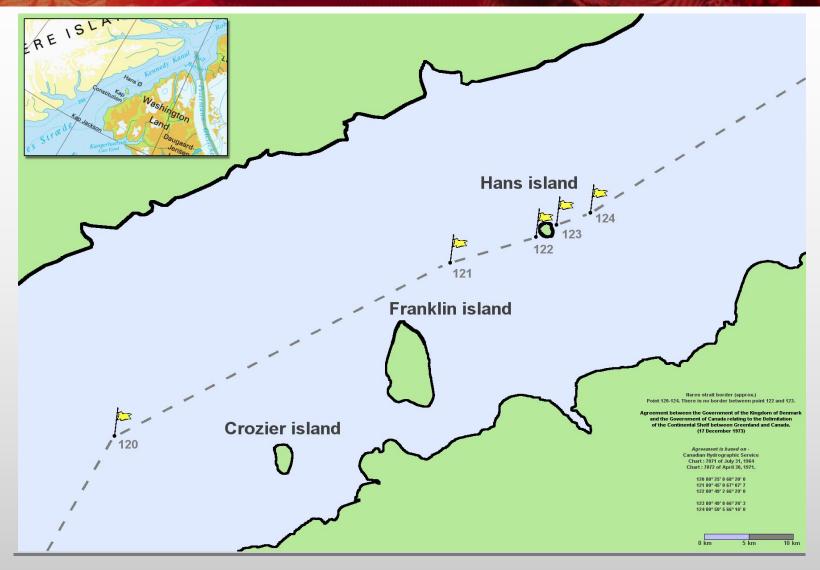


Source: Natural Resources Canada

#### Canada – Denmark: Hans Island



#### Nares Strait border (Kennedy Channel), showing the disputed Hans Island



Source: Lasse Jensen

#### Hans Island



Hans Island is 1.3 square kilometres in area

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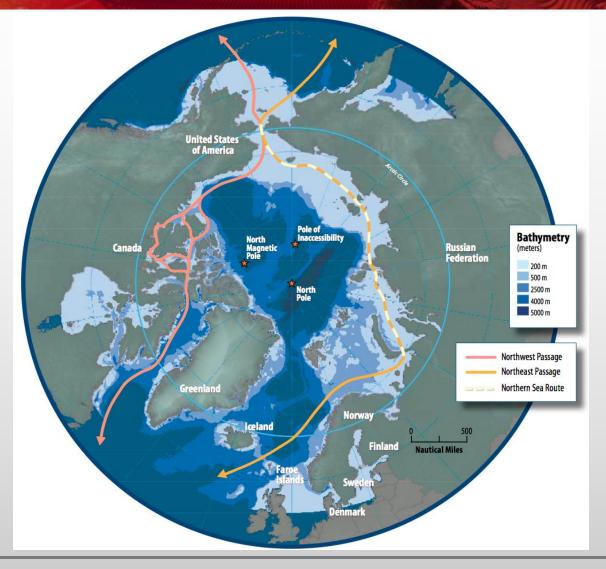






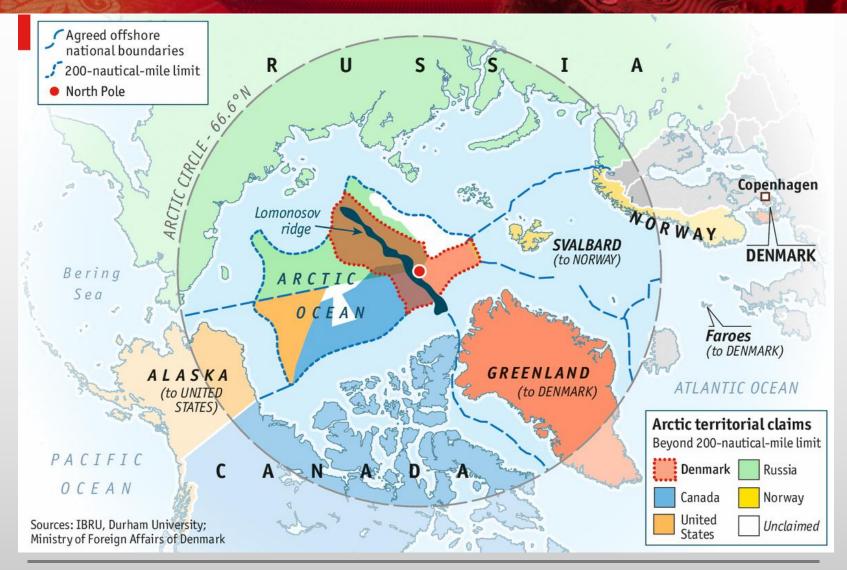


## CHINA INSTITUTE Arctic Ocean routes and Northwest Passage internal waters/international passage dispute



Source: Arctic Council - Arctic marine shipping assessment

#### Arctic territorial claims



Source: The Economist

#### CHINA INSTITUTE Capsule with Russian flag planted by submarine on 中国学院 Arctic seabed during record dive



Source: AP Photo/Association of Russian Polar Explorers, file

Crew of Russian submarine as it returns to Gadjiyevo base in Arctic Murmansk region



Source: Lev Fedoseev/File/ Reuters

## CHINA INSTITUTEUS submarine in Arctic after surfacing through feet<br/>of ice during Ice Exercise 2009 on 21 March 2009



Source: United States Navy

### Arctic Council Members and Observers

- Council Members:
- > Canada
- > Kingdom of Denmark
- ➢ Finland
- Iceland
- > Norway
- Russian Federation
- Sweden

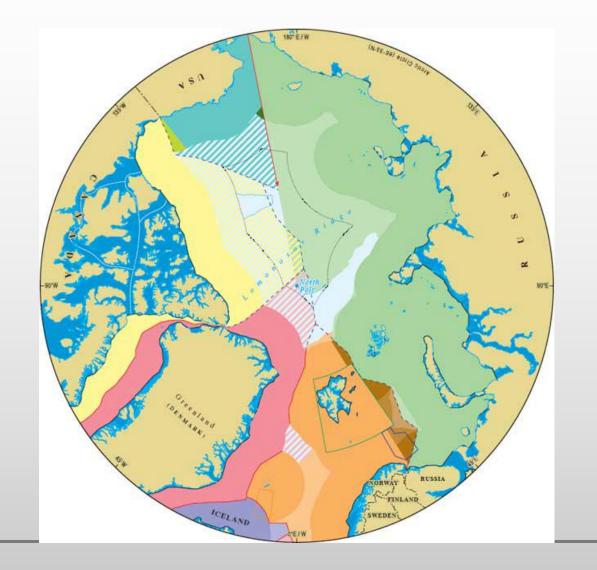
- Observers to the Arctic Council:
- > France
- Germany
- The Netherlands
- Poland
- > Spain
- United Kingdom
- People's Republic of China
- Italian Republic
- > Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Republic of Singapore
- Republic of India

#### CHINA INSTITUTE Chinese icebreaker Xue Long during mission to help 中国学院 a nearby Russian research ship



Source: AFP-JIJI

#### Maritime Claims by Arctic States



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