



# The Law of the Sea and Iceland's Fishing Limits Disputes

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# Introduction

- Pragmatic issues:
  - Details about the course.
  - Teaching methods.
  - Assessment methods
- Required reading:
  - Rothwell and Stephens, ch. 1 (pp. 1–29).
  - Jóhannesson, ‘Introduction’ (pp. 17–33, scanned).



# Who are you?!



# Assessment

- Ruth Mackenzie (40%)
  - One essay, 3,000 words
- Gudni Jóhannesson (60%)
  - One essay, 3,000 words (40%)
  - ‘Reading diary’ for 4 sessions (20%)



# Essay topics

- Of own choice. For instance:
  - The delimitation of [Your home country's] territorial sea [or EEZ]. Origins and special issues.
  - Anything of particular interest to you (subject to my agreement!)
- List of topics:
  - To what degree did Icelandic officials and statesmen influence the development of the law of the sea in the post-war period? [or from a specific period, 1940s and 1950s, or 197s]
  - Why did Iceland have its way in the cod wars against Britain, a much stronger power?
  - Evaluate the importance of the 1951 ruling by the International Court of Justice in the Anglo-Norwegian fisheries dispute
  - Discuss the rulings by the International Court of Justice in 1974 in Britain's and West Germany's fishing limits disputes with Iceland



# Reading diary

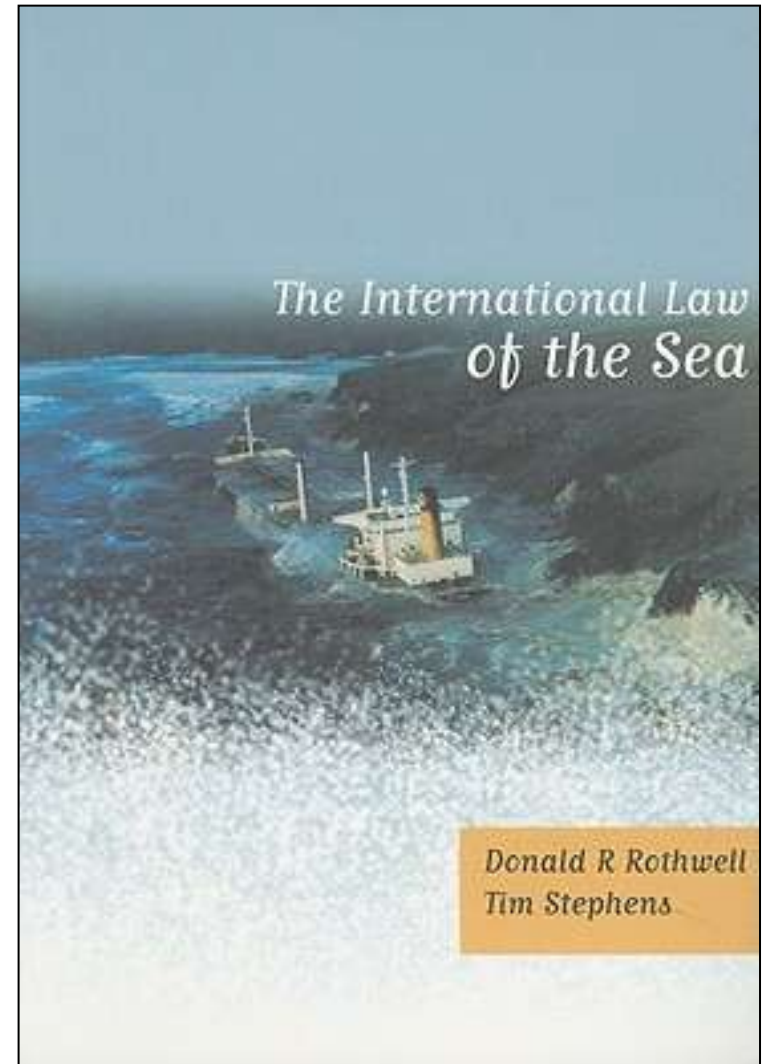
- Four times, 10, 12, 13 Oct, 7 Nov
- 2-3 questions about the required reading material
- Short replies, demonstrating knowledge and comprehension
- Not mini-essays, but rather as bases for class discussion
- Nothing to be worried about...



# Required reading



Available from me,  
next sessions

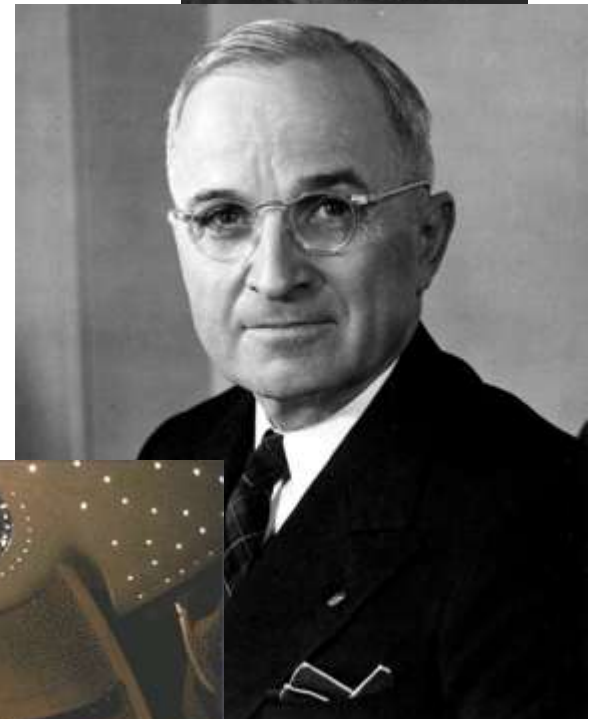


# 29 August I



- Rothwell and Stephens

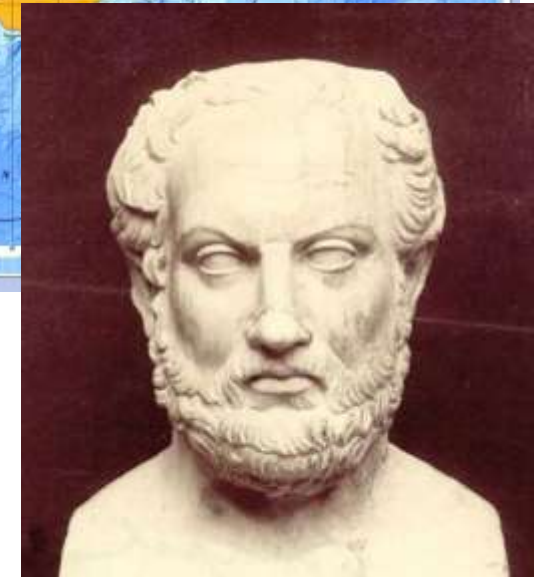
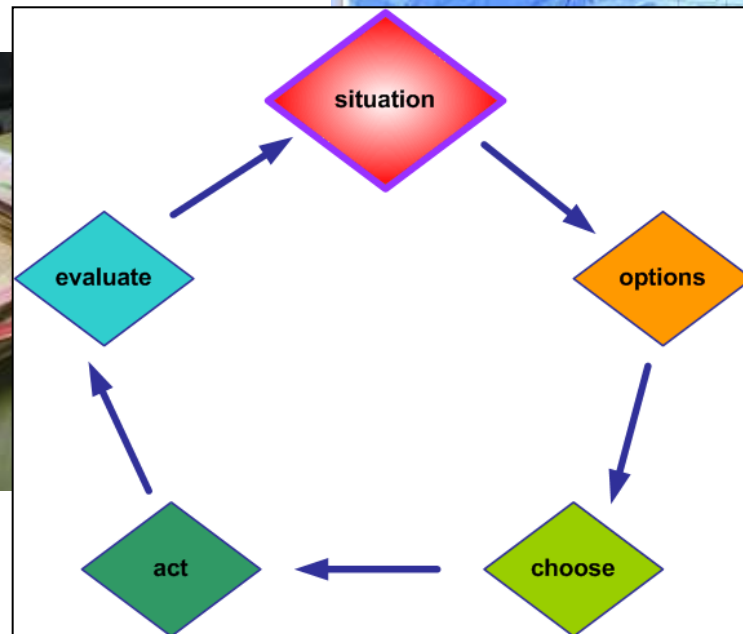
- Historical development
- UNCLOS I-III
- UN Convention on the Law of the Sea
- Sources
- Challenges





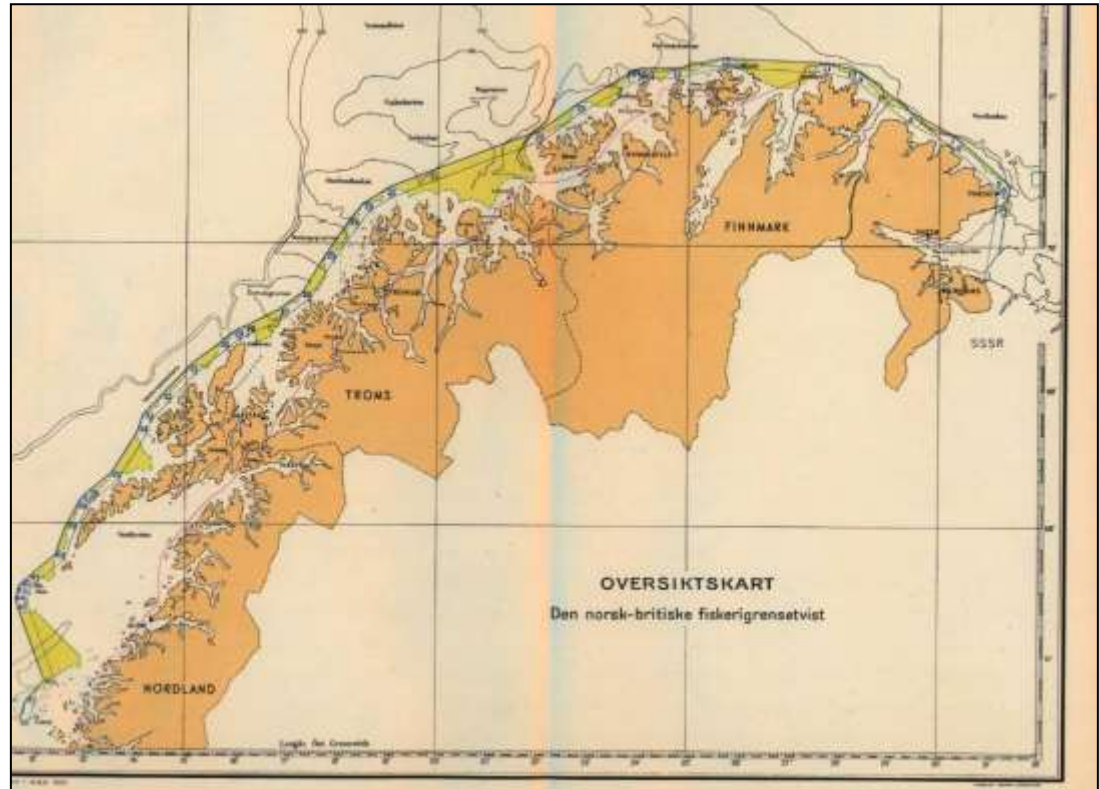
# 29 August II

- Jóhannesson
  - Historical background
  - Power
  - Decision-making
  - Sources



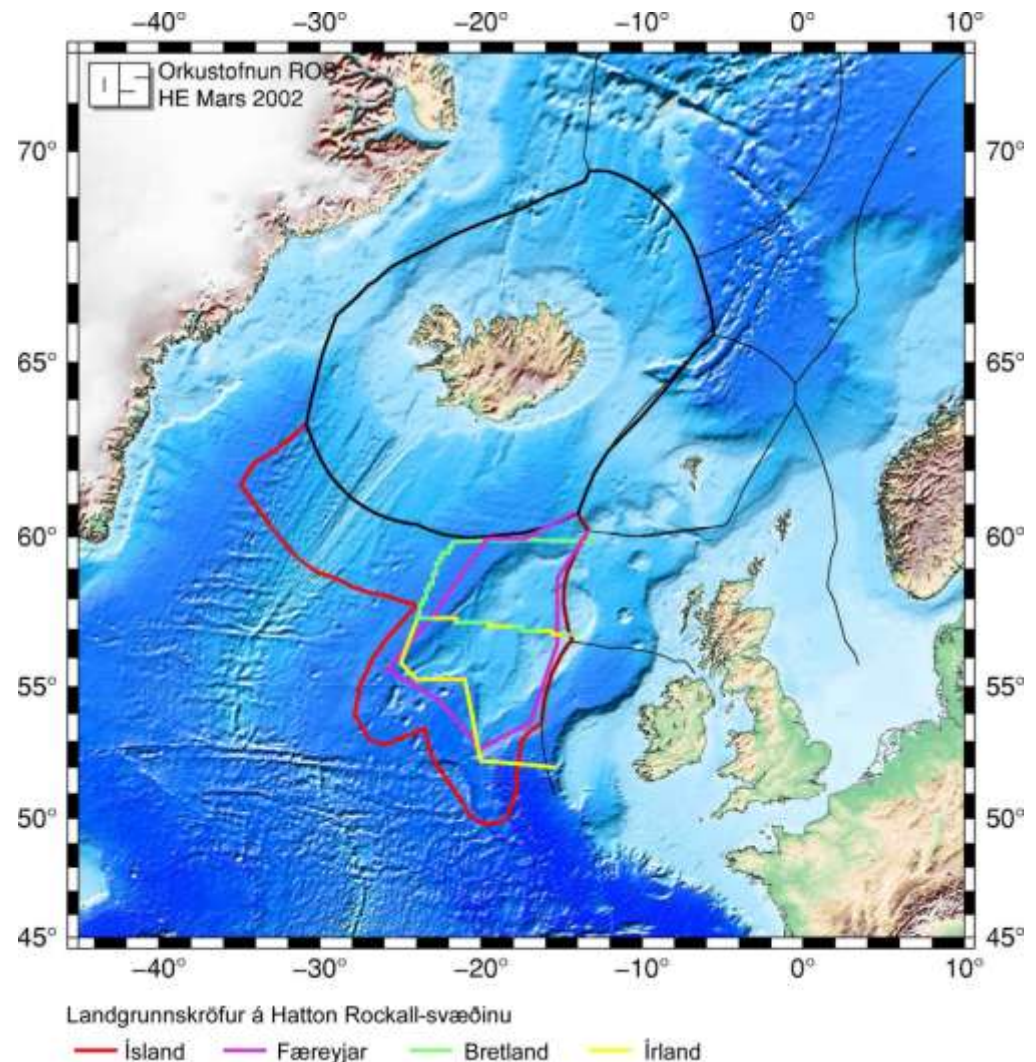
# 31 August: Coastal Waters, Territorial Sea and the EEZ

- Rothwell and Stephens, chs. 2–4 (pp. 30–97)
  - Incl. Anglo-Norwegian case
  - Baselines
  - Width of territorial sea
  - EEZ



# 1 Sept: The Continental Shelf, the Deep Seabed and the High Seas

- Rothwell and Stephens, chs. 5–7 (pp. 98–169)
  - Continental shelf
  - High Seas



## 12-16 Sept: Ruth Mackenzie

- Maritime piracy
- Protection of the marine environment
- Marine mammals
- International Law of the Sea and the Arctic region
- Dispute Settlement in the Law of the Sea



# 10 Oct: Making the Law of the Sea, 1262–1960

- History (Grotius etc)
- *Pax Britannica*
- UNCLOS I-II



## 12 Oct: Iceland's Fishing Disputes, 1948–1971

- 1948: Law on continental shelf
- 1949-1952: From 3 to 4 miles
- 1958-1961: Cod War I
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TaviQeMf2Ao>



# 13 Oct: Making the Law of the Sea, 1960–13 Oct 2011

- UNCLOS III, 1973-1982
- Recent developments



## 7 Nov: Iceland's Fishing Disputes, 1971–1976

- Cod War II, 1972-1973
- Cod War III, 1975-1976





## 10-11 Nov: Summary and visit to Óðin

