

Appendix 1: Current and Historical International Environmental Agreements affecting the Arctic ⁵⁸ Marine Environment		
Agreement	Years of treaty and subsequent amendments and notes	Nations involved ^{*,†}
Agreement Between The Government Of The United States of America And The Government Of Her Britannic Majesty For A Modus Vivendi In Relation To Fur Seal Fisheries In Bering Sea	1891, 1892, 1896, 1911	US [†] , UK [†]
Arrangement Between Great Britain And Russia Concerning A System Of Protection Of Fur Seals In The North Pacific Ocean	1893	UK [†] , RU [†]
Agreement between the USA and Russia for a Modus Vivendi in relation to the fur seal fisheries in the Bering sea and the North Pacific Ocean	1894	US [†] , RU [†]
Convention for the preservation of the fur seal and sea otter in the North Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea	1897	JP [*] , RU [*] , US [*]
Convention respecting measures for the preservation and protection of the fur seals in the North Pacific Ocean	1911, 1957, 1963, 1969, 1976, 1980, 1984 [*]	JP, US, UK, RU
Treaty (and Protocol to) concerning the Archipelago of Spitsbergen	1920	40 nations in 2015
Convention between Finland and Russia regarding fishing and sealing in the territorial waters of both countries in the Arctic Ocean	1922	FI, RU
Temporary agreement between the governments of the United Kingdom and of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, for the regulation of the fisheries in waters contiguous to the northern coasts of the territory of the U.S.S.R.	1930	UK [†] , RU [†]
Exchange Of Notes Constituting A Provisional Agreement Between The Governments Of The United States of America And Canada Relating To Fur Seals	1942, 1947	US [†] , CA [†]
Exchange of notes constituting an agreement between the USA, CA and Japan relating to scientific investigations of the fur seals in the North Pacific Ocean	1952	CA, JP, US
Agreement on the regulation of North Pacific whaling	1970, 1971	JP, RU, US
Agreement between the government of CA, the government of the Republic of Iceland and the government of the Kingdom of Norway concerning an international observer scheme for land-based whaling stations in the North Atlantic area	1972	CA, IS, NO
Agreement Between The United States of America And Japan Concerning An International Observer Scheme For Whaling Operations From Land Stations In The North Pacific Ocean	1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1986	US [†] , JP [†]
Agreement on conservation of polar bears	1973	CA, DK, NO,

⁵⁸ We exclude the many fisheries agreements in the North Pacific and North Atlantic Oceans that begin as early as the 1700s because they distract from the issue of increased physical access and changed habitat expected in the Arctic Ocean. We do include whale- and seal- related agreements for migratory species that are likely to pass in to Arctic Ocean waters.

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Agreement between the UK, Norway, and the USSR on the regulation of the fishing of North-East Arctic (Arcto-Norwegian) Cod	1974	NO, RU, UK
Agreement Between Japan And The Union Of Soviet Socialist Republics On The Regulation Of North Pacific Whaling	1974, 1976	JP [†] , RU [†]
Exchange Of Notes Between The Government Of Canada And The Government Of Norway Amending The Agreement Between The Government Of Canada And The Government Of Norway On Sealing And The Conservation Of The Seal Stocks In The Northwest Atlantic	1975	CA [†] , NO [†]
Agreement between Norway and the Soviet Union on a temporary practical scheme for fishing in an adjacent area in the Barents Sea (Grey Zone Agreement)	1978	NO [†] , RU [†]
Agreement between the government of the USSR and the government of the Polish People's Republic relating to fishing in the areas of the Barents Sea adjacent to the sea frontage of the USSR	1978	RU [†] , PL [†]
Agreement between the government of the USSR and the government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria concerning fishing in the areas of the Barents Sea adjacent to the sea frontage of the USSR	1978	RU [†] , BU [†]
Agreement between the Inuvialuit and the Inupiat on polar bear management in the Southern Beaufort Sea	1988 [†] , 2000	US, CA
Agreement between CA and the US on Arctic Cooperation	1988	CA [†] , US [†]
Agreement on cooperation in research, conservation and management of marine mammals in the North Atlantic	1988	Faroes, GL, IS, NO
Agreement between the Government of the USA and the Government of the USSR concerning cooperation in combatting pollution in the Bering and Chukchi Seas in emergency situations	1989	US [†] , RU [†]
Agreement between CA and the Russian Federation on cooperation in the Arctic and the North	1992	CA [†] , RU [†]
Agreement On Cooperation In Prevention Of Environmental Pollution In The Arctic	1994	US [†] , RU [†]
Protocol on intentions between the State committee of the Russian Federation on environmental protection and the Ministry of environmental protection of Norway about cooperation in the field of creation of the automated network of measurement of radiating pollution in the Northwest region of Russia and an exchange of results of measurements between the Russian Federation and Norway	1998	NO [†] , RU [†]
Amendments to the international convention for the safety of life at sea (SOLAS) – Adoption of resolution and annexes on ship reporting systems for North Atlantic right whales off the Northeaster and Southeastern coasts of the US	1998	158 nations in 2015
Agreement (and Protocols) between Iceland, Norway and Russia concerning certain aspects of cooperation in the area of fisheries	1999	IS, NO, RU
Agreement on the conservation and management of the Alaska-Chukotka polar bear population	2000	RU, US
Bilateral Agreement between Norway, on the one hand, and Denmark with	2006	NO [†] , DK [†]

Greenland's National Board, on the other side of the delimitation of the continental shelf and fishery zones in the area between Greenland and Svalbard		
Agreement on cooperation on marine oil pollution, preparedness, and response in the Arctic	2013	CA, FI, NO, RU DK*, Faeroe Is*, GL*, IS*, SE*, US*
* Signed but not ratified † Unverified by IEA database		