

Peace Parks – Past, Present and Future

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WATERTON GLACIER

INTERNATIONAL

PEACE PARK

CANADIAN SECTION

IUCN Transboundary Protected Areas Network defines Peace Parks as:

“transboundary protected areas that are formally dedicated to the protection and maintenance of biological diversity and of natural and associated cultural resources, *and to the promotion of peace and cooperation.*”

3 Types of Transboundary Relations

Warm Friendly Relations

Cool Strained Relations

Icy Hostile Relations

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Warm - Friendly Relations
(e.g. Waterton/Glacier,
Mont Blanc, etc.)

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Cool - Strained Relations,
often improving

(e.g. Southern Africa, U.S./Mexico,
Proposed Balkan Peace Park,
Emerald Triangle)

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Icy Hostile Relations

(e.g. Peru/Ecuador in 1995,
Korean DMZ, Liberia, Kuril
Islands, Siachen)

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Warm Friendly Relations - 1932-

Cool Strained Relations – 1970s-

Icy Hostile Relations – 1995-

3 Types of Peace Parks

"Good fences make good neighbors." - -
Robert Frost

"Good fences only make good neighbors;
When they are not made out of sabres."
Kenneth Boulding
(1989)

- Boundaries are not only
dividing lines,
but also meeting places

- Like All Transboundary Protected Areas,
Peace Parks Require
Dedicated Leadership

But who?

- While the term "*Peace Parks*" has a nice ring to it,
 - over-emphasis on parks and protected areas may limit the opportunities for peace-building



Sulu Sulawesi/ Celebes Marine Ecoregion



Tri-National MOU signing on the Adoption of the Ecoregion Conservation Plan for SSME at the 7th Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, Kuala Lumpur, February 2004



Gorilla Range States

**CMS
Agreement
on Gorilla
Conservation
26 Oct 2007**

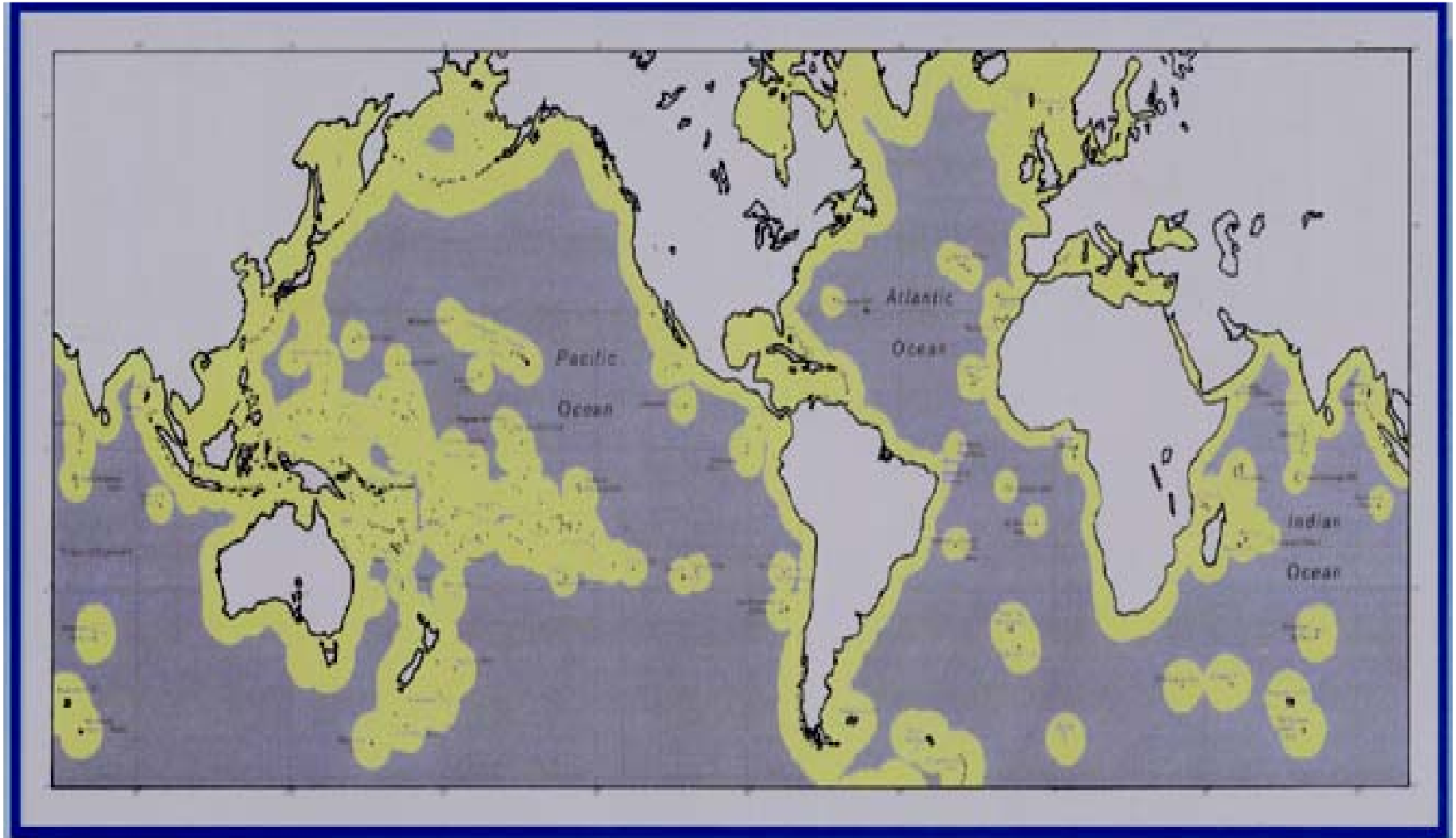
- **Peace Parks as Process –**

The greatest contribution of peace parks is often not in their designation, but in the process that the designation begins.

Marine Transboundary Peace Parks –

Under-represented, but timely

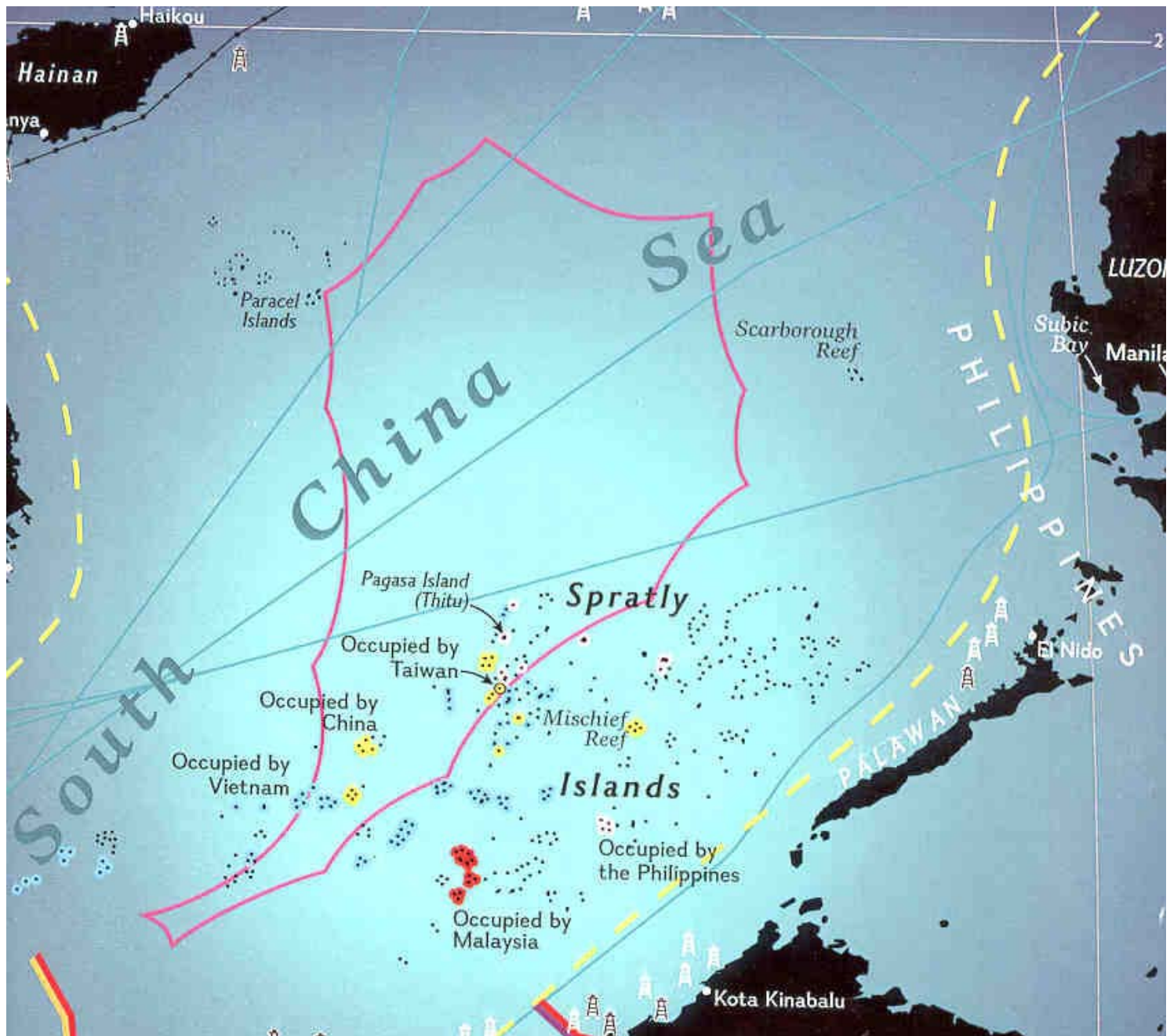
200 NM Exclusive Economic Zones



JAPAN'S ISLAND DISPUTES

- **KURIL ISLANDS**
“Northern Territories”
(JAPAN-RUSSIA)
- **LIANCOURT ROCKS**
(JAPAN- S. KOREA)
- **SENKAKU ISLANDS**
(JAPAN-CHINA)





- Transboundary peace parks attract significant global attention and support

- **Not “if,” but “how” –**

Peace Parks as one tool in the
toolkit for building peace

Logan Pass, Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park, Alberta, Canada / Montana , U.S.A.
www.webshots.com



Thank you





**Cordillera del Condor
From Ecuador - Looking into Peru**

LEVELS OF TRANSBOUNDARY COOPERATION

LEVEL 0 - NO COOPERATION

LEVEL 1 - COMMUNICATION
- Information Exchange

LEVEL 2 - CONSULTATION
- Mutual Consultation

LEVEL 3 - COLLABORATION
- Active Collaboration

LEVEL 4 - COORDINATION
- Harmonization Of Planning

LEVEL 5 - FULL COOPERATION
- Integration Of Planning



South East Asia

