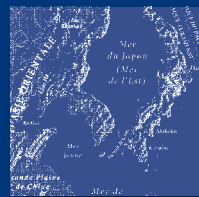


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The name “East Sea” has been used to refer to the sea area between the Korean Peninsula and the Japanese Archipelago for more than 2,000 years. Currently, 75 million people living on the Korean Peninsula use the name “East Sea.” The name “East Sea” holds great historical and cultural meaning for Korean people.

Until the 19th century, various names had been used to designate the sea area in question while “Sea of Japan” had not been widely used even in Japan. Moreover, many maps at that time did not indicate any name for this sea area. With the rise of Japan as a regional power in Asia in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the sea area in question came to be referred to more often as “Sea of Japan.” However, Korea was not able to present its view on the naming of the sea area in question in international fora since it was at that time under Japanese colonial rule.

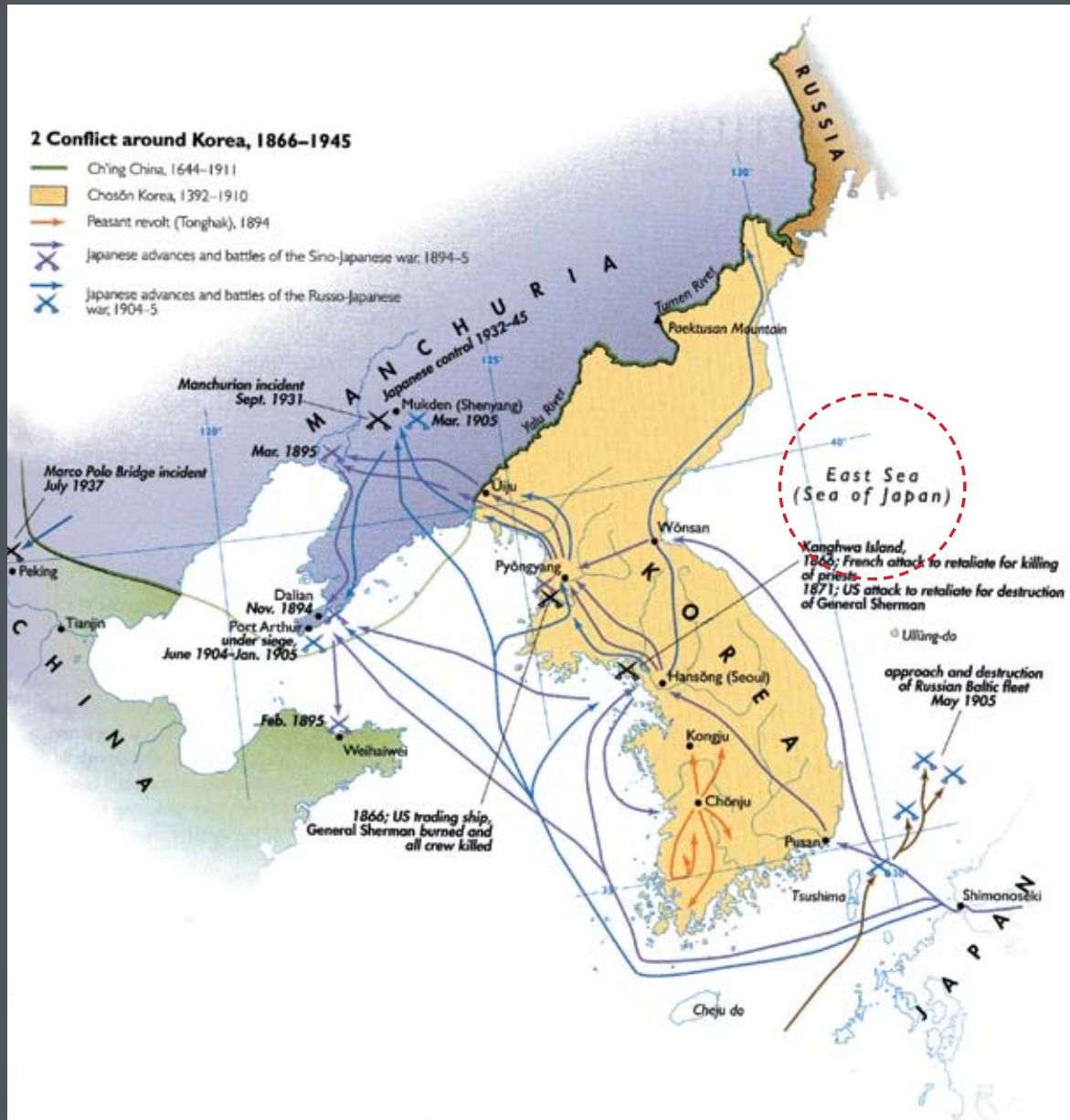
Over the last few decades Korea has exerted sincere efforts to restore the rightful use of the name “East Sea” in world maps. Accordingly, there has been a steady increase in the use of “East Sea” in atlases and media outlets. Many internationally recognized cartographers and mass media employ the concurrent use of both “East Sea” and “Sea of Japan.” This demonstrates a growing awareness and understanding of the legitimacy of the name “East Sea” in the international community.

The concurrent use of both the names “East Sea” and “Sea of Japan” is further supported by the general rule of international cartography. It states that if two or more countries sharing a given geographic feature under different names cannot agree on a common name, each of the names in question should be indicated

This booklet shows various cases of atlases that use both “East Sea” and “Sea of Japan.” It is our hope that this will be of great value in providing a deeper understanding of the need for and legitimacy of using the name “East Sea.”



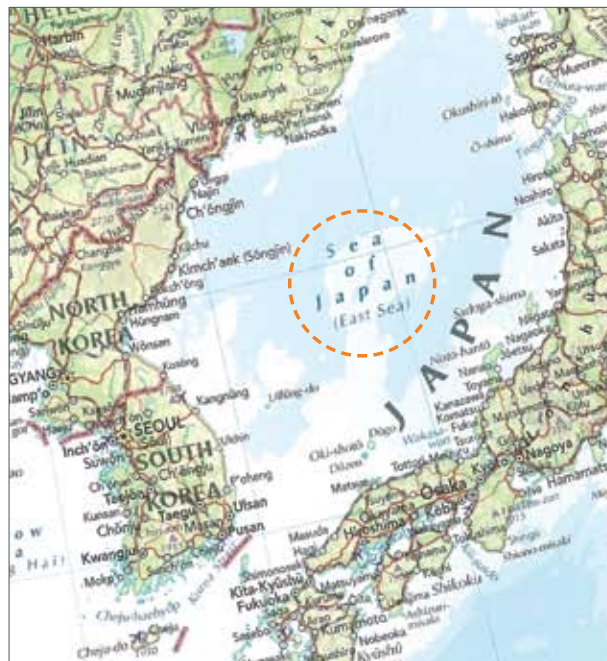
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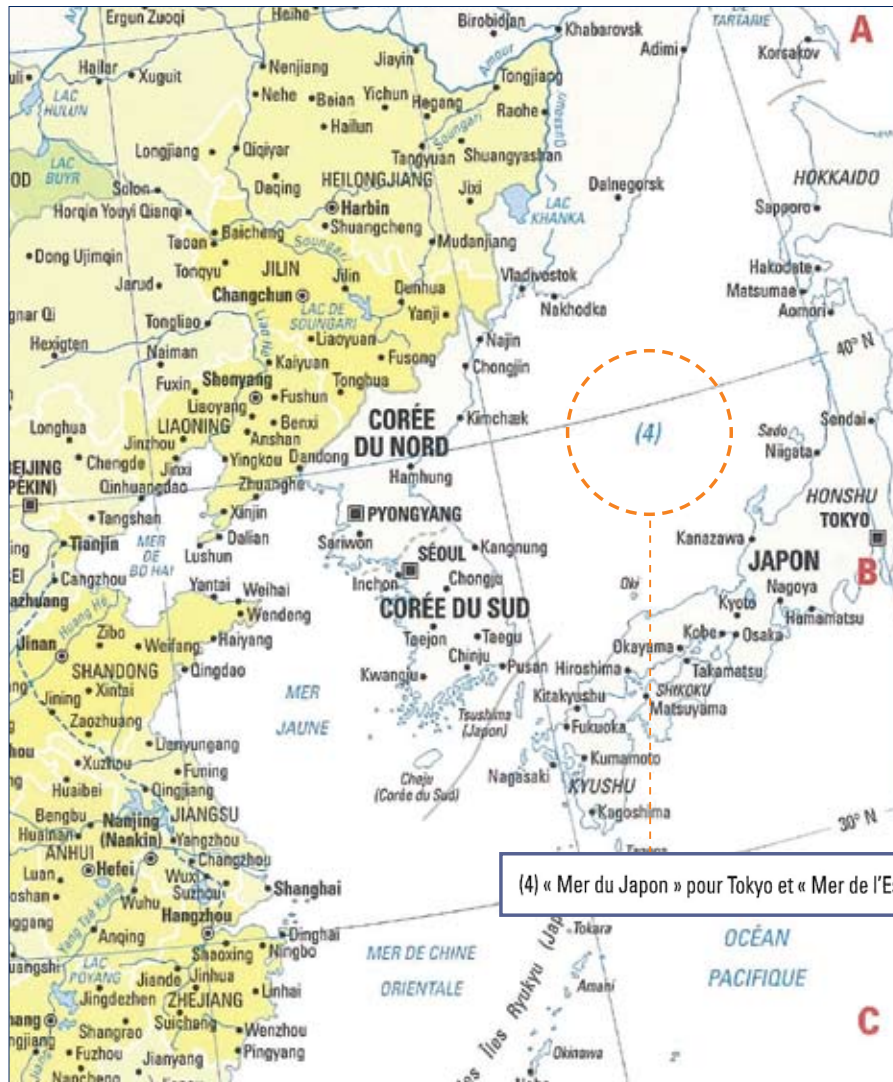
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❖ Atlases employing both names, "East Sea" and "Sea of Japan"

Title	Publisher	Year
Family Reference Atlas of the World	National Geographic	2003
National Geographic Atlas of the World	National Geographic	2005 (8th Edition)
Concise Atlas of the World	National Geographic	2008 (2nd Edition)
World Atlas for Young Explorers	National Geographic	2007 (3rd Edition)
Philip's Universal Atlas of the World	Philip's	2008
Philip's Concise Atlas of the World	Philip's	2008
Philip's World Atlas	Philip's	2008
Philip's Reference World Atlas	Philip's	2007
Philip's Quick Reference World Atlas	Philip's	2007 (reprinted 2009)
Philip's Pocket World Atlas	Philip's	2006
Philip's Modern School Atlas	Philip's	2008
Philip's Atlas of the World	Philip's	2007
Philip's Great World Atlas	Philip's	2007
Phillip's World Travel Atlas	Philip's	2008
Phillip's Family World Atlas	Philip's	2007
World Atlas	Rand McNally	2005
Classic World Atlas	Rand McNally	2005
Collins Discovery World Atlas	Harper Collins	2005
Where on Earth?	Harper Collins	2006
Collins World Atlas (know your world)	Harper Collins	2007
Collins Pocket World Atlas	Harper Collins	2006
Collins World Atlas Essential Edition	Harper Collins	2009
Collins World Atlas Illustrated Edition	Harper Collins	2009
Collins World Atlas Complete Edition	Harper Collins	2008
Collins World Atlas Concise Edition	Harper Collins	2009
Collins World Affairs	Harper Collins	2005
Collins Student World Atlas	Harper Collins	2009
Collins Australian School Atlas	Harper Collins	2005
Collins International Student Atlas	Harper Collins	2006
Collins Canadian World Atlas	Harper Collins	2003
Collins World Wall Map	Harper Collins	2004
The Times Comprehensive Atlas of the World	Times Books	2005 (11th Edition, reprinted)
The Times Atlas of the world (reference edition)	Times Books	2005 (3rd Edition)

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The Times Atlas of the world (reference edition)	Times Books	2006 (3rd Edition)
The Times Concise Atlas of the World	Times Books	2005 (9th Edition)
The Times Mini Atlas of the world	Times Books	2009 (4th Edition)
DK Compact Atlas of the World	Dorling Kindersley	2009
DK Complete Atlas of the World - The Definitive View of the Earth	Dorling Kindersley	2007 (3rd Edition)
DK Essential Atlas of the World	Dorling Kindersley	2008
DK Great World Atlas	Dorling Kindersley	2008
DK Traveller's Atlas	Dorling Kindersley	2005
DK Student Atlas	Dorling Kindersley	2008
DK Reference Atlas of the World	Dorling Kindersley	2005
DK Reference Atlas of the World - Digital mapping for the 21st century	Dorling Kindersley	2007
DK World History Atlas	Dorling Kindersley	2008
Atlas of the World	AA Publishing	2007
AA Atlas of the World, Concise edition	AA Publishing	2008
World History	McGraw Hill Education	2008
Essential World Atlas	Oxford University Press	2008 (5th Edition)
New Concise World Atlas	Oxford University Press	
Meyers Atlas Globalisierung	Bibliogr. Inst. + Brockha	2008
Meyers Universalatlas	Bibliogr. Inst. + Brockha	2007
Meyers Großer Satellitenbildatlas	Bibliogr. Inst. + Brockha	2008
Meyers Universalatlas mit Länderlexikon	Bibliogr. Inst. + Brockha	2008
Meyers Weltatlas kompakt	Bibliogr. Inst. + Brockha	2009
Diercke Taschenatlas Der Welt	DTV (Deutscher Taschenbuch Verlag)	2007
Diercke Weltatlas	Westermann	2009
Diercke Drei Universalatlas	Westermann	2009
Die Welt Wissen Kompakt	Wolfgang Kunth	2008
Atlante Geografico Metodico De Agostini (2009-2010)	Istituto Geografico De Agostini	2009
Atlante Geografico De Agostini	Istituto Geografico De Agostini	2009
Atlante Geografico De Agostini Moderno	Istituto Geografico De Agostini	2008
Atlante Geografico Tascabile	Istituto Geografico De Agostini	2007
Atlante Geografico Universale De Agostini	Istituto Geografico De Agostini	2005



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