



Mannin á Teistanum var iðn fyrsta, sum uppdagaði, at bretar hóvdu funnið olju við færöyska markið

**BP-stjóri um Hetlandsrennuna:**

# Eitt nýtt og spennandi oljuævintýr í eygsjón

*-Upp á longri sikt er her talan um einki minni enn eitt nýtt og spennandi oljuævintýr, sum sær sera lovandi út. M.a. hetta sigur ein av stjórnum í bretská oljufelagnum BP í einum tíðindaskrivi, sum er sent heimspressuni, nú bretar hava rakt við enn eina risastóra oljukeldu í Hetlandsrennuni.*

Hetna er onnur oljukeldan, sum BP hevur funnið stutt frá færöyska markinum. Tað var fyrst í ár, at tað læk út, at BP hevdi funnið "okkuri stórt" millum Hetland og Føroyar og nú er tað so váttað.

I tíðindaskrivenum, sum vit prenta í fullum líki, verður sagt, at BP nú av álvara er farið at fyrreika seg til bora eftir olju í hesum nýggja ókinum. Tær báðar oljukeldumar eru á 375 metra og 500 metra dýpi og hava longu singiðnavn, Schiehallion og Foinaven. Tær eru uppkallaðar eftir fjóllum í Skotlandi.

Eftir óllum at döma leggja BP og Shell, sum samarbeida í hesum ókinum, sera síðoran dent á

heita nýggja oljuókið, tó farið verður undir víðari boringar longu í hesum árinum við í fyrri eygað at byrja veruliga framleiðslu um nökkur fár ár.

Av tí at hetta ókið er heilt nýt í oljuvinnuni er eingin infrastrukturur har og sum eina byrjan ætla felögini at brúka flótandi oljupallar. Er talan veruliga um eitt heili stórt oljuóki fara felögini at umhugsa at útbyggja infrastrukturin á sama hátt sum í Nordsjónum.

Tey bæði oljufelögini fara næsta ár at halda fram við at leita eftir nýggjum oljukeldum og er ætlanin at gera seks boringar har í ókinum.

Sosialurin hevur skilt,

jan

## Farloyvisskipan krevur lógarbroyting

I stýrinum fyrir Arbeidsloysisskipanina er uppskotid hjá Kristjáni Magnussen, sözialráðgeva á Sosialu deild Býrásins ikki ókent, tó at stýrið ikki vil taka staðu til tað, tó einki skriviligt uppskot er lagt fram.

Hagni Joensen, formaður I stýrinum fyrir ALS, sigur við Sosialin, at eitt líkandi uppskot hevur verið frammi, har tað skal verða

### BP discovers second oil field west of Shetland

BP announced today that it had made a second oil discovery west of Shetland and said it was considering an early development scheme to produce oil from the area.

The find, which has been named *Schiehallion*, a block 204/20, held 50:50 by BP and Shell, and lies 150 kilometres offshore in some 375 metres of water. It has estimated recoverable reserves of 250–500 million barrels of oil.

*Schiehallion* is some 15 kilometres north-east of Foinaven, an existing discovery which lies in 500 metres of water in block 204/24a, held 80 per cent by BP and 20 per cent by Shell. Foinaven also has reserves estimated at 250–500 million barrels. Both fields have been named after Scottish mountains.

BP, as operator, said it and Shell were currently considering a variety of options to produce oil from the area, the first phase of which could be a floating production scheme on Foinaven capable of producing around 100,000 barrels a day within the next few years.

The company said it was reviewing proposals from offshore contractors for a range of floating production systems and, subject to board and Government approvals, expected to begin development drilling later in the year.

BP Chief Executive Davide Simon described the plans as "an essential first phase in the development of what promises over the longer term to be an exciting new oil play".

He said: "These discoveries are further examples of the growing success of our frontier strategy and will help reshape the portfolio in the longer term. We intend to develop them in a phased manner, using cost-effective engineering, sharing ideas with contractors and partners and achieving a level of capital efficiency which ensures that they remain robust to a low oil price".

BP Exploration Chief Executive John Browne said: "The technical challenges of producing oil in these water depths are considerable. But we and our partners, Shell, have extensive experience of working in deep water. As a first stage we are proposing an efficient early-production scheme to develop at low cost some of the reserves already identified. This will give us the opportunity to appraise the wider potential of the basin and, depending on our success, to consider the optimal infrastructure for the longer term".

The company said it would be consulting with the Shetland and Orkney Islands Councils and other relevant bodies, including fishing and environmental organisations.

BP and Shell jointly hold ten blocks and part-blocks covering 1,500 square kilometres in the area around the discoveries and are planning to drill up to six appraisal and exploration wells in the coming year.

íkki einki fræt astur úr landsstýrinum, sigur Hagni Joensen.

- Av tí at stýrið ikki kennir forsorgarlögina og hvussu hetta hevdi ávirkað arbeidsloysisskipanina, verður einki gjort við málid frá okkara síðu, sigur Hagni Joensen.

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