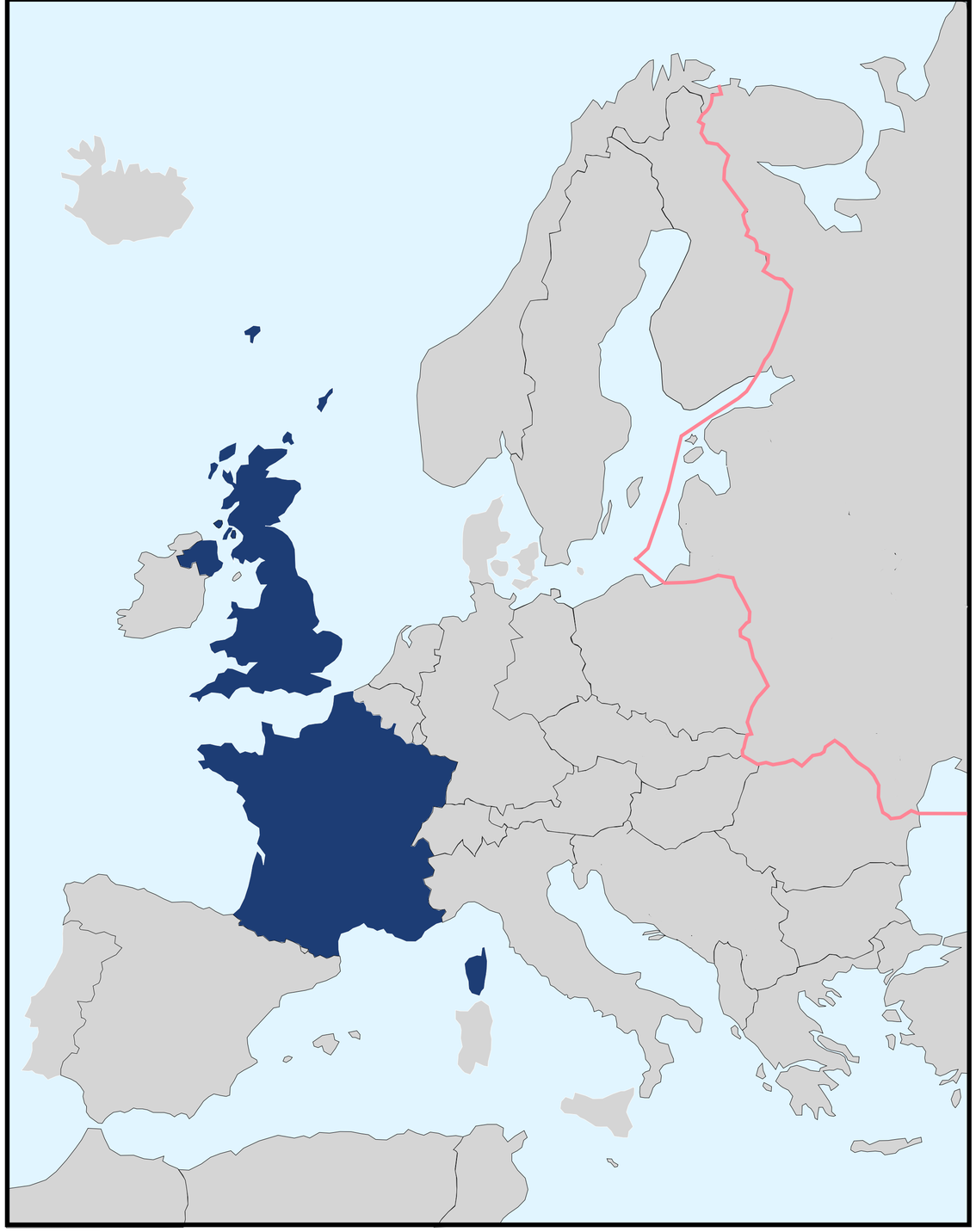


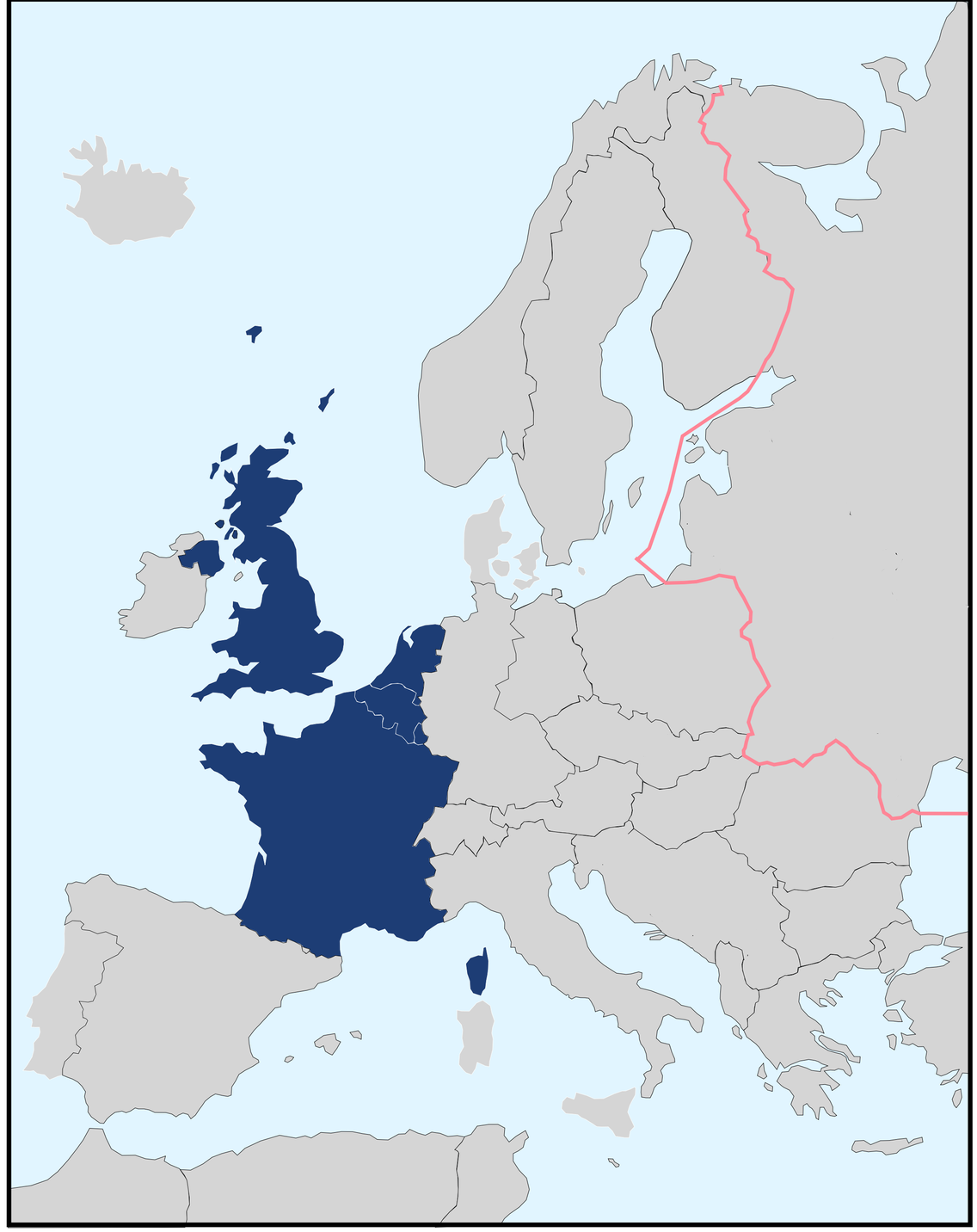
Pre-NATO
1947

United Kingdom & France Sign the Treaty of Dunkirk

“Treaty of Alliance and Mutual Assistance between the United Kingdom and France”

Aimed as Much at Germany as the USSR

Western Border of the Soviet Union



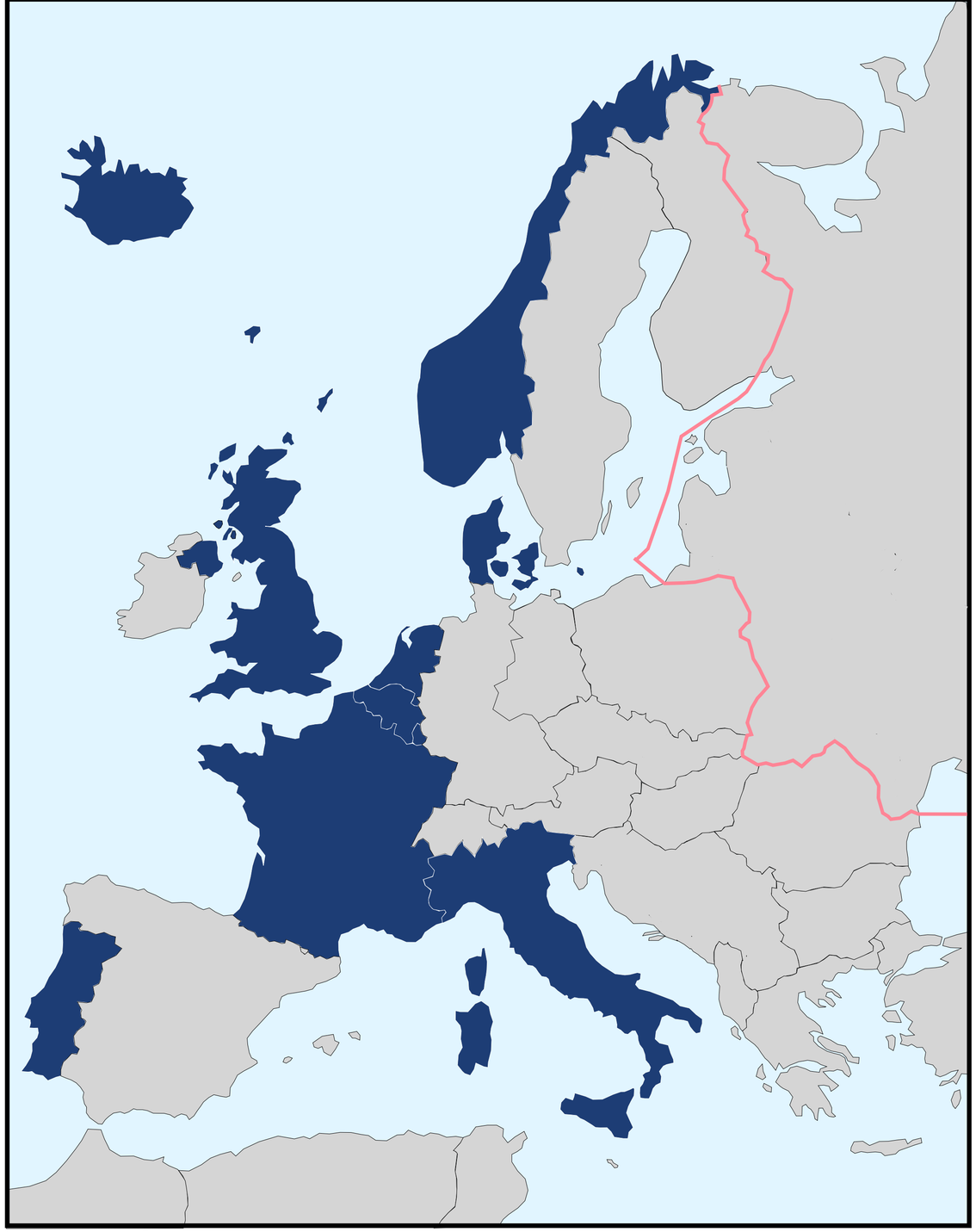
Pre-NATO Alliance

The Western Union
1948

United Kingdom & France Joined by Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg in the Treaty of Brussels

(The Western Union Absorbed by NATO in 1951)

Western Border of the Soviet Union

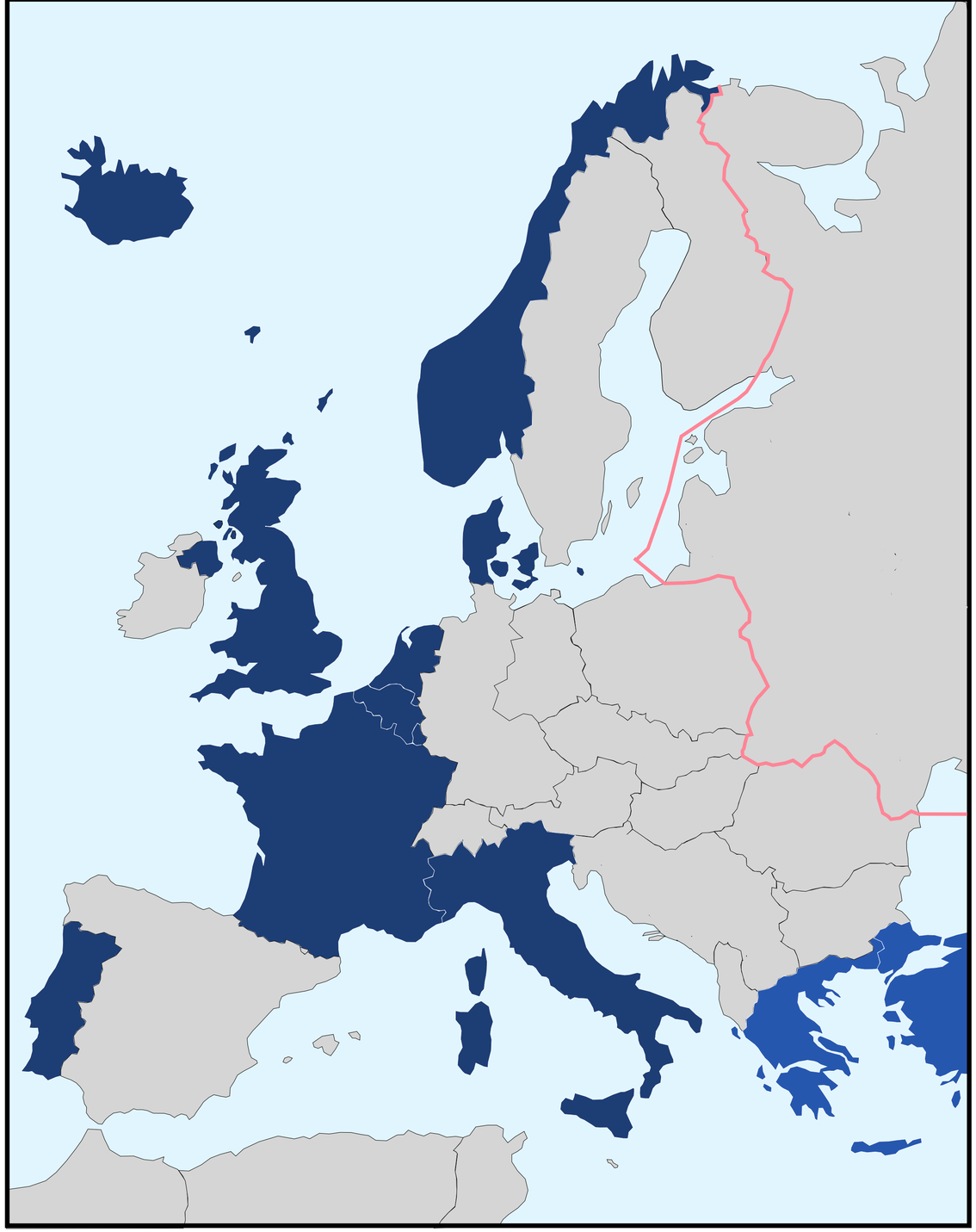


NATO Established

1949

The United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Iceland, Portugal

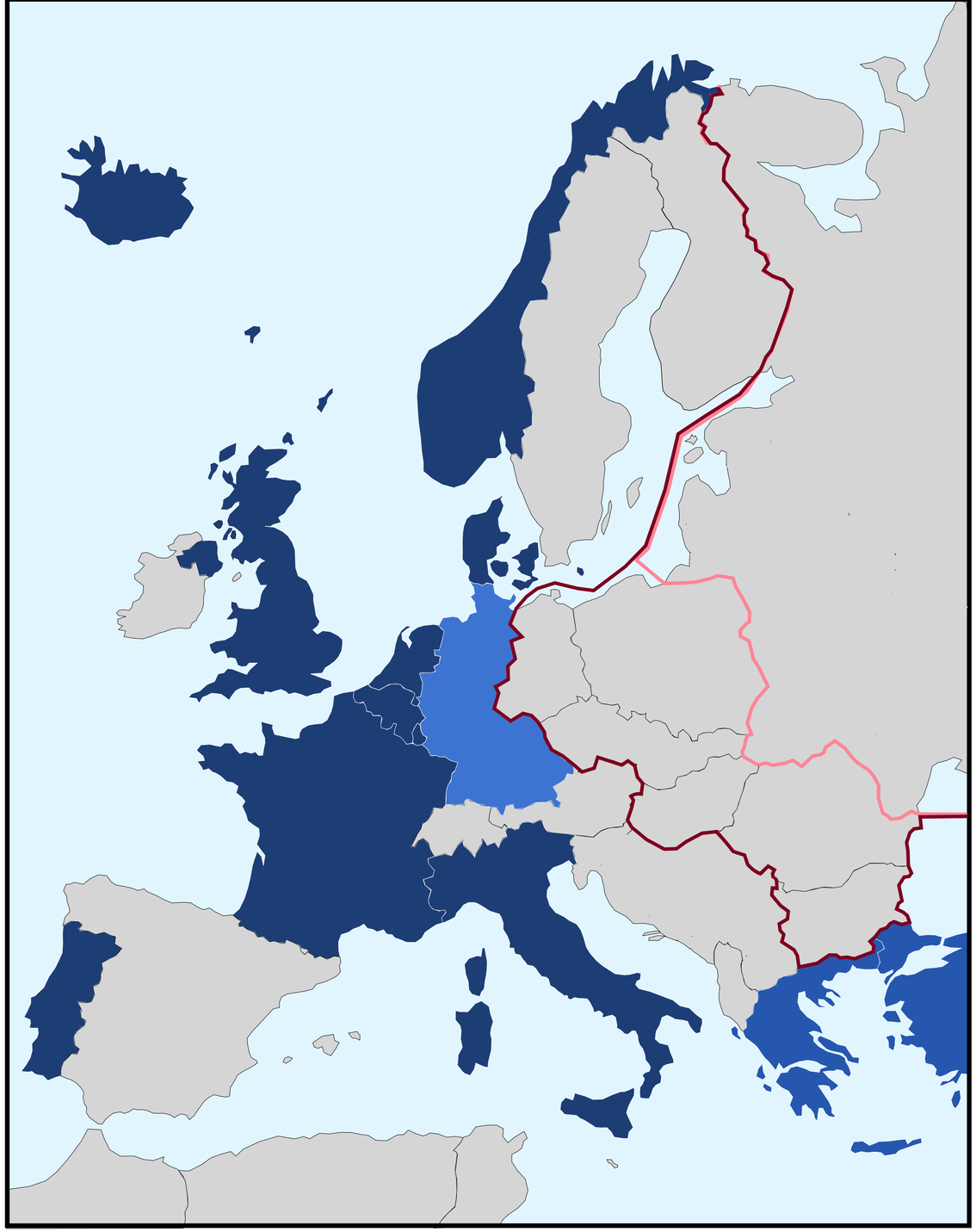
Western Border of the Soviet Union



First NATO Enlargement 1952

Greece, Turkey

Western Border of the Soviet Union



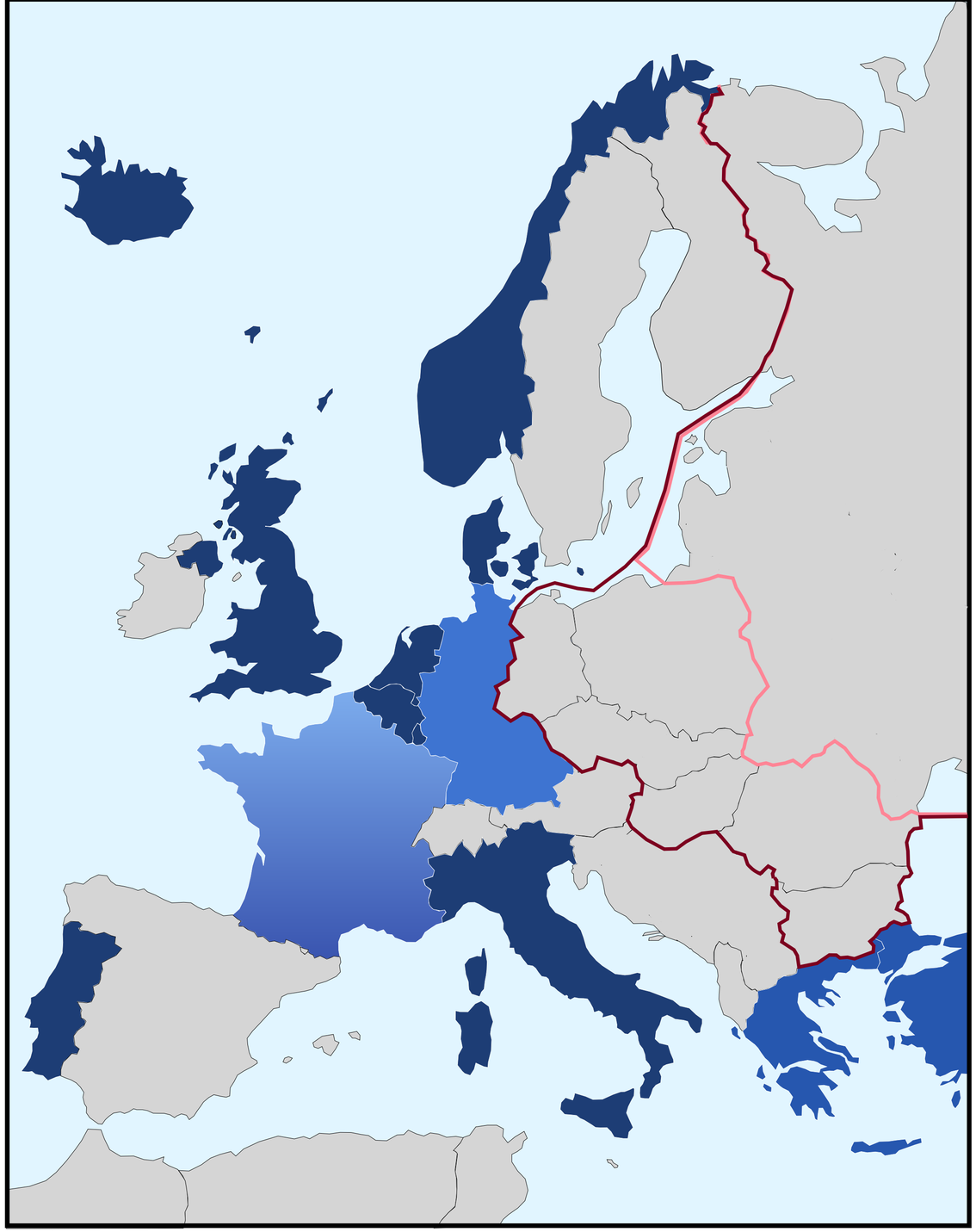
Second Enlargement, 1955

West Germany

Creation of the Warsaw Pact

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

Western Border of the Soviet Union

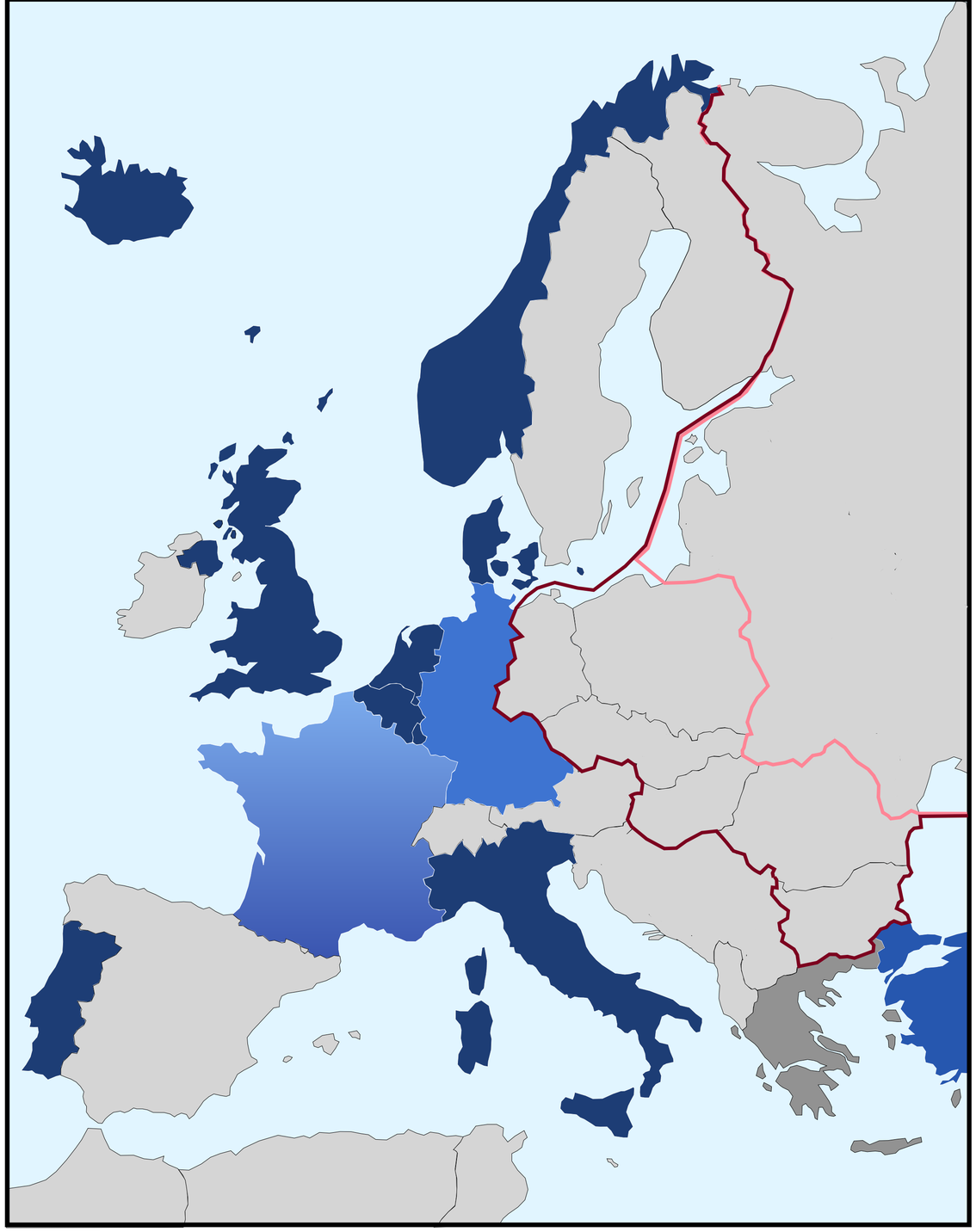


Downgrading, 1966

France Withdraws from NATO Command Structure

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

Western Border of the Soviet Union

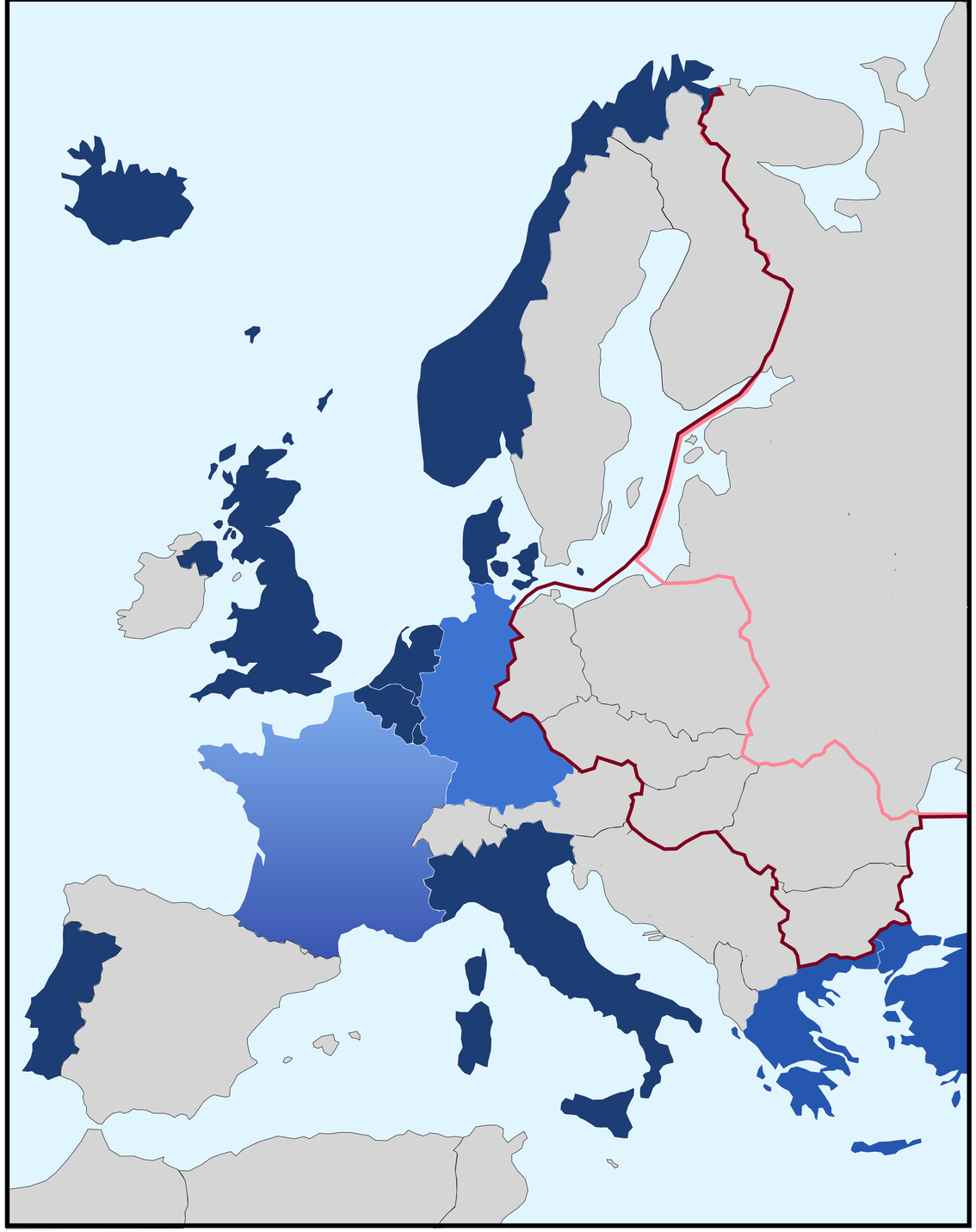


Downgrading, 1974

Greece Suspends Membership Over Turkey's Invasion of Cyprus

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

Western Border of the Soviet Union



Upgrading, 1980

Greece Returns to NATO

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

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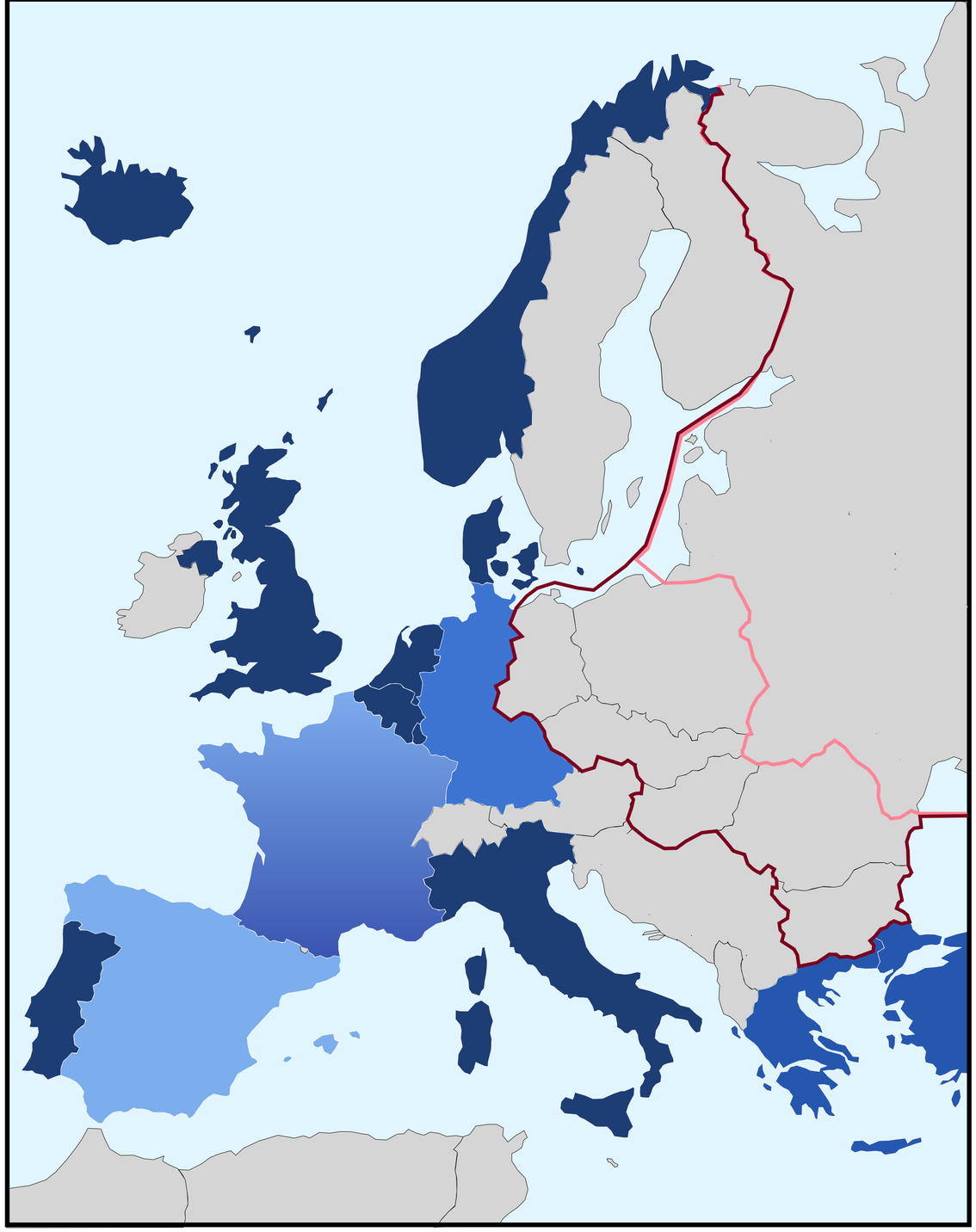
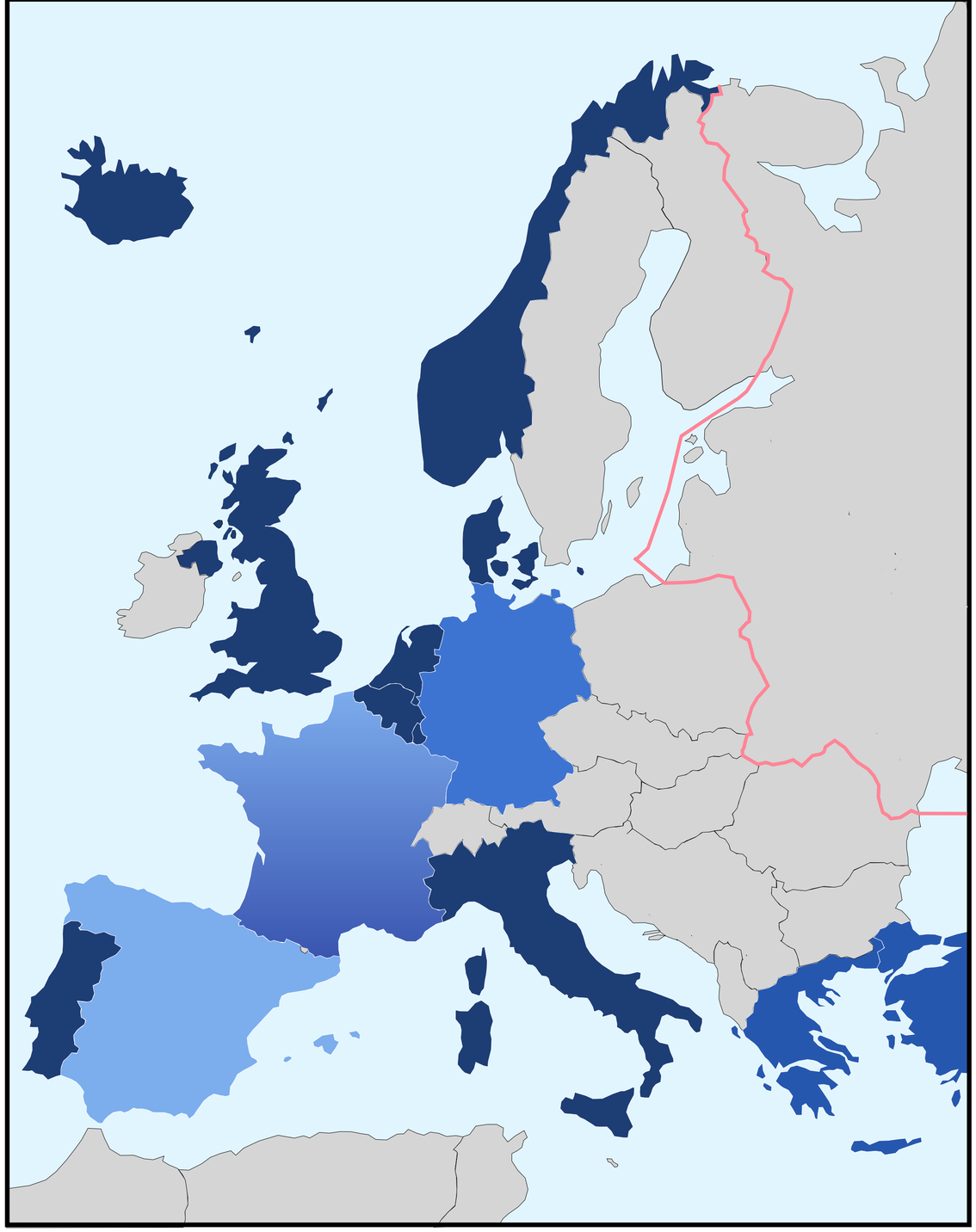


Third Enlargement, 1982

Spain

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

Western Border of the Soviet Union



German Reunification, 1990

[Former East Germany]

Western Border of the Warsaw Pact

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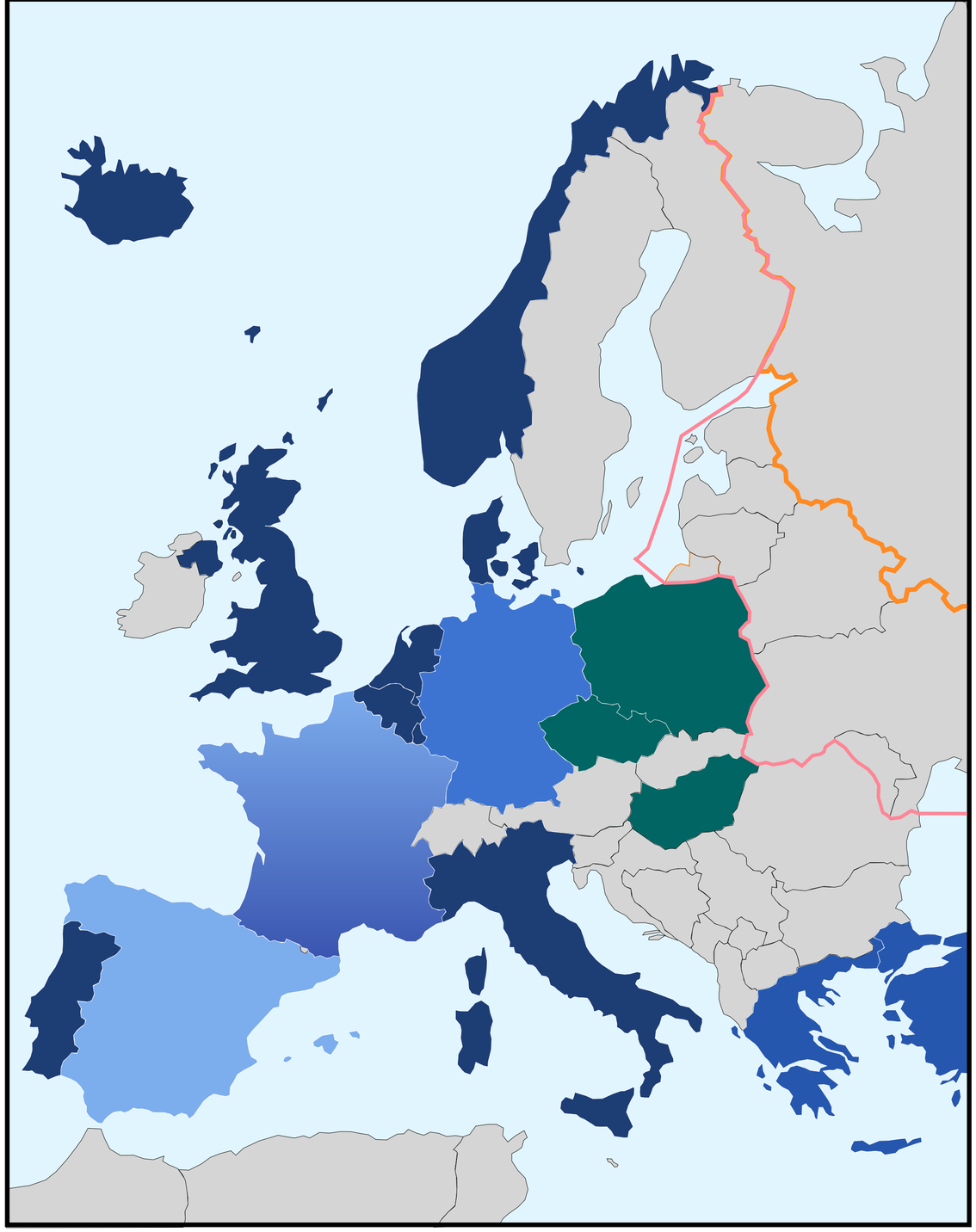
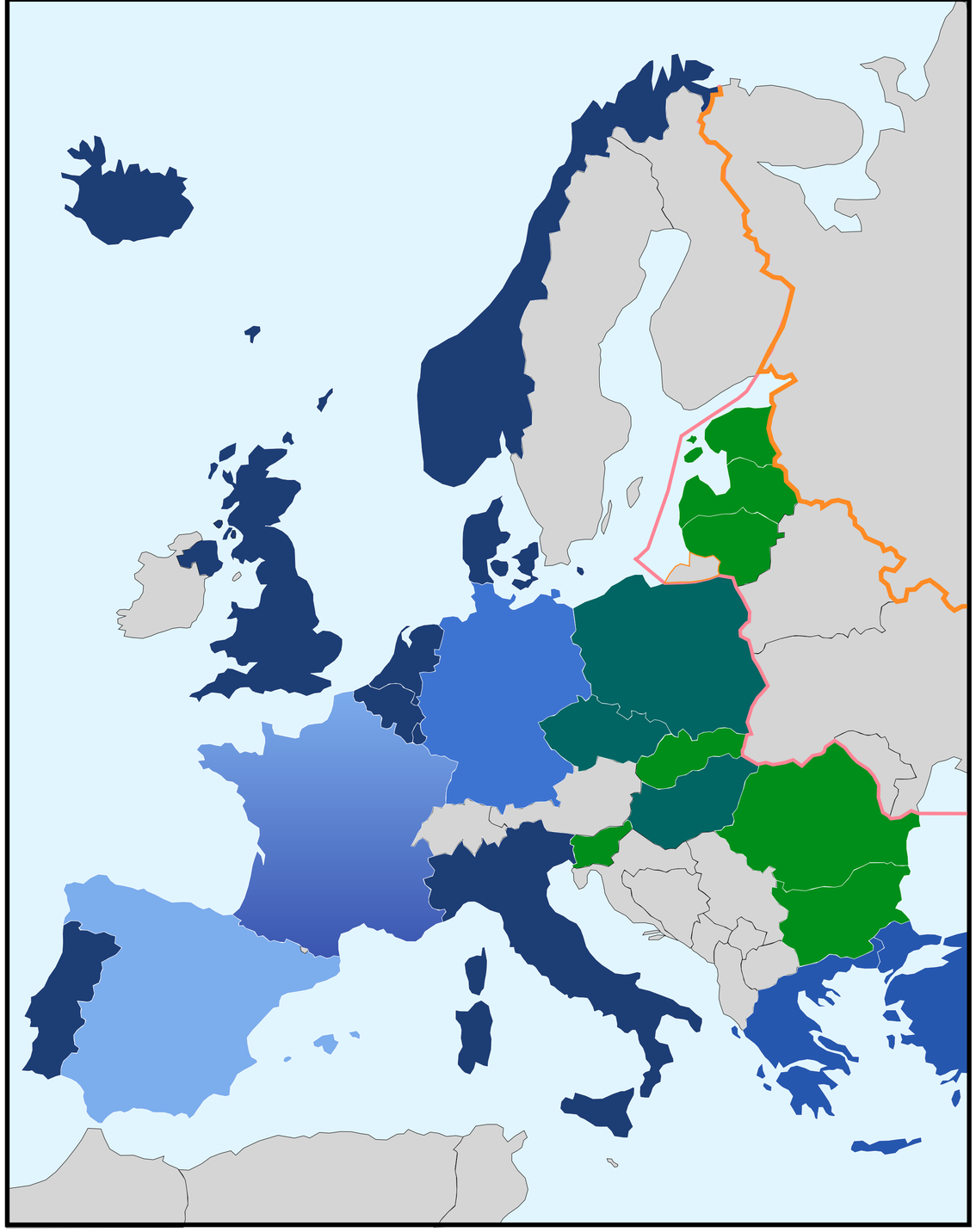


Fourth Enlargement, 1999

Poland, Czechia, Hungary

Western Border of Russia

Western Border of the Former Soviet Union



Fifth Enlargement, 2004

Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Romania, Bulgaria

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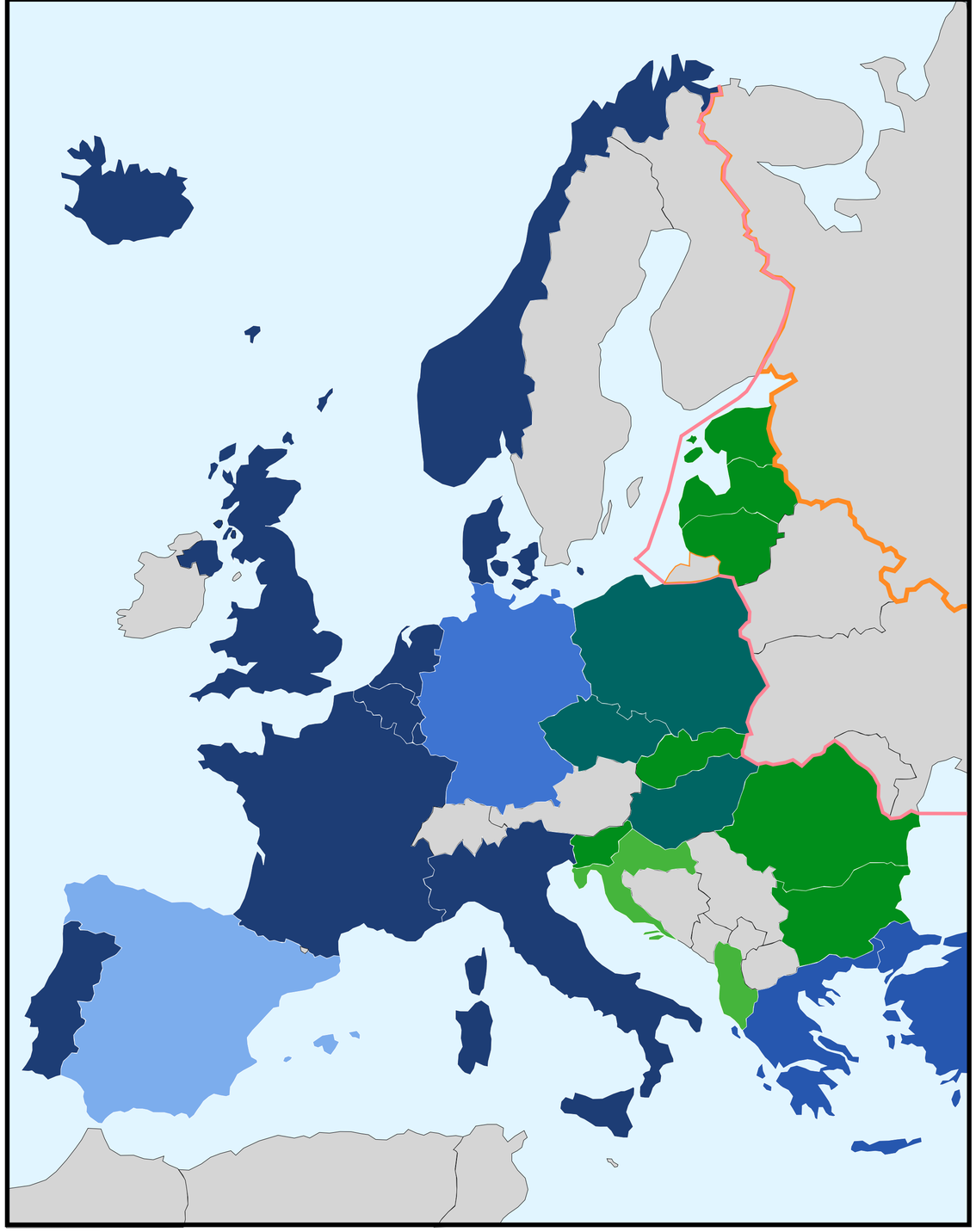

Sixth Enlargement, 2009

Albania, Croatia

France Rejoins NATO Command Structure

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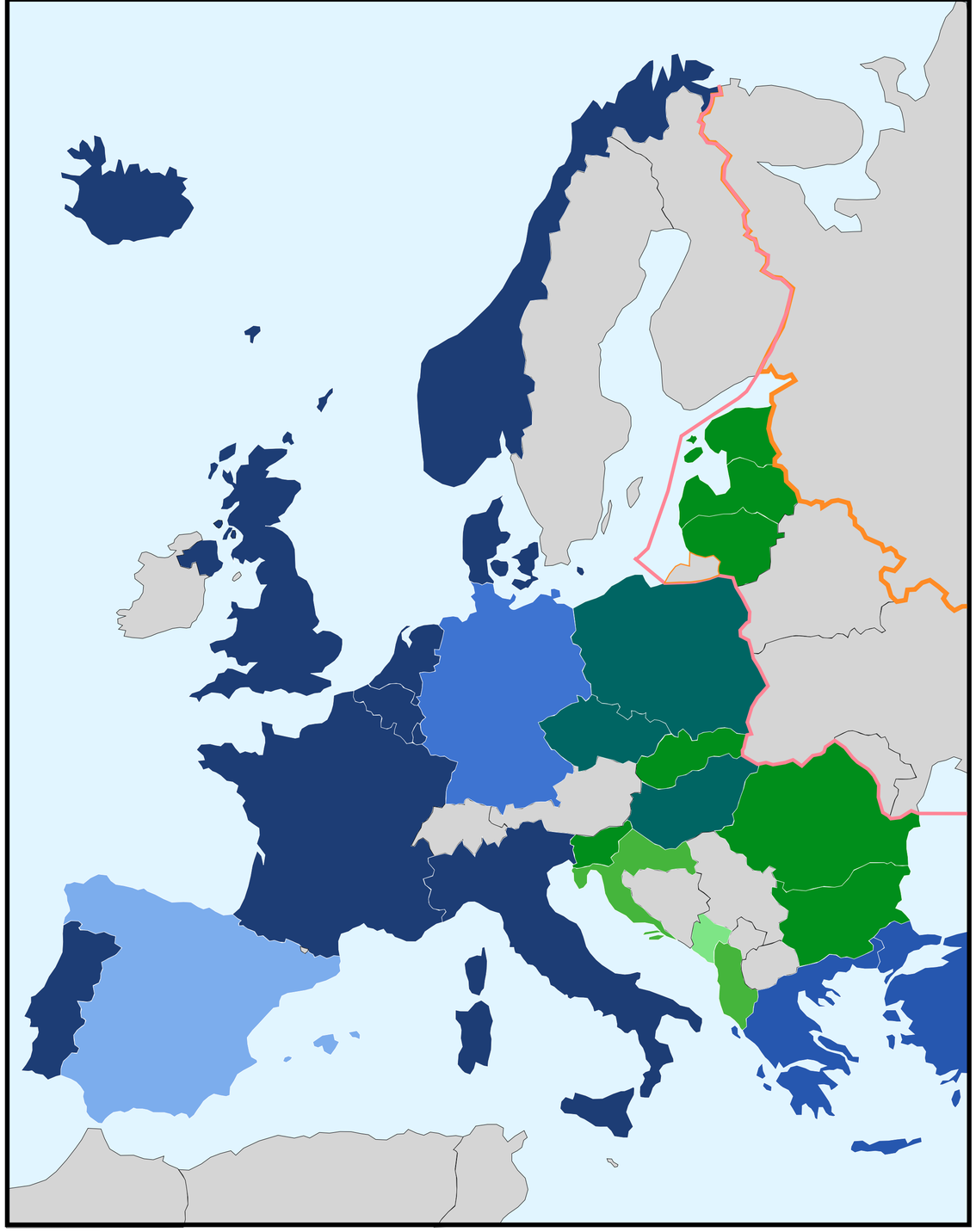

Seventh Enlargement, 2017

Montenegro

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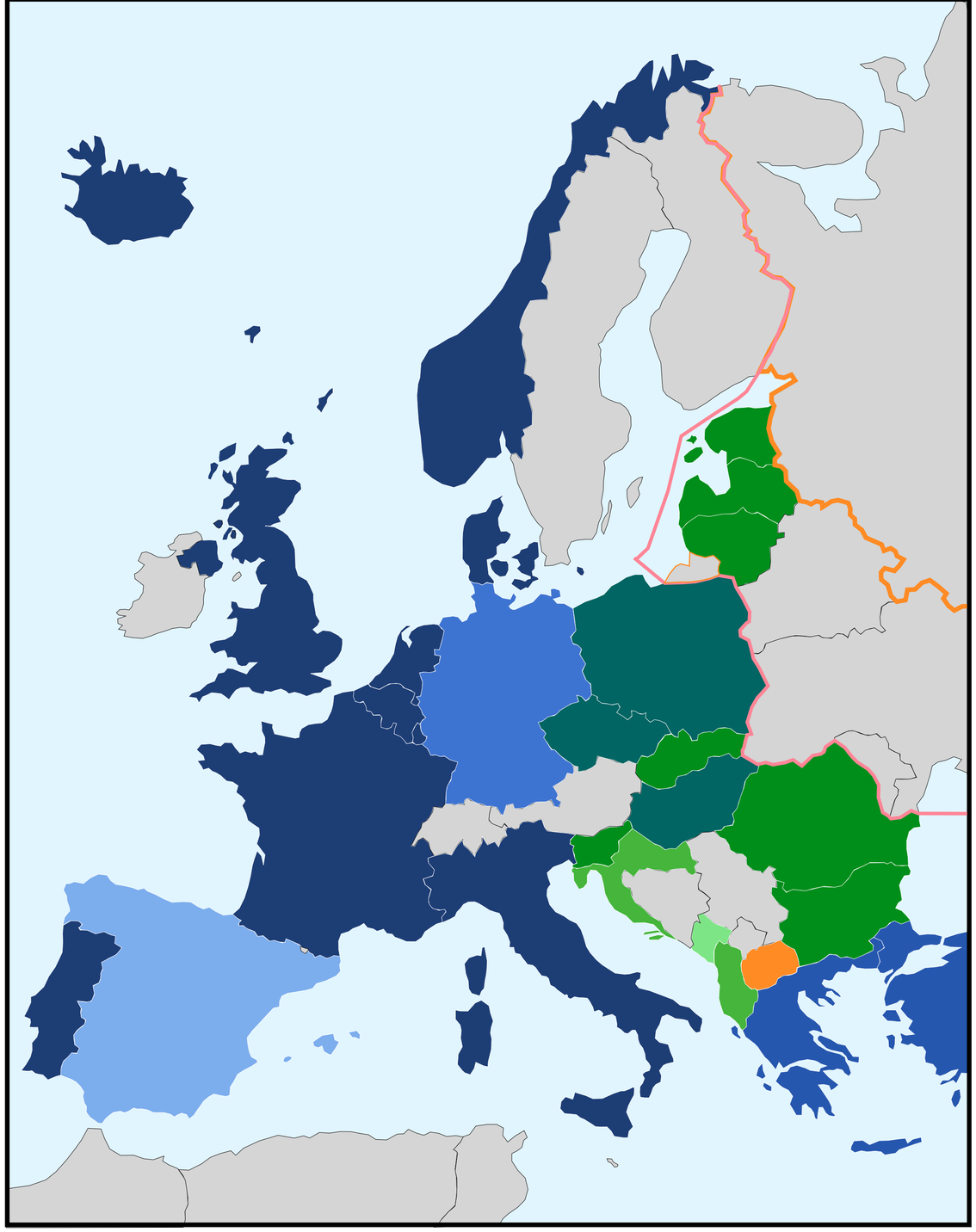

Eighth Enlargement, 2020

North Macedonia

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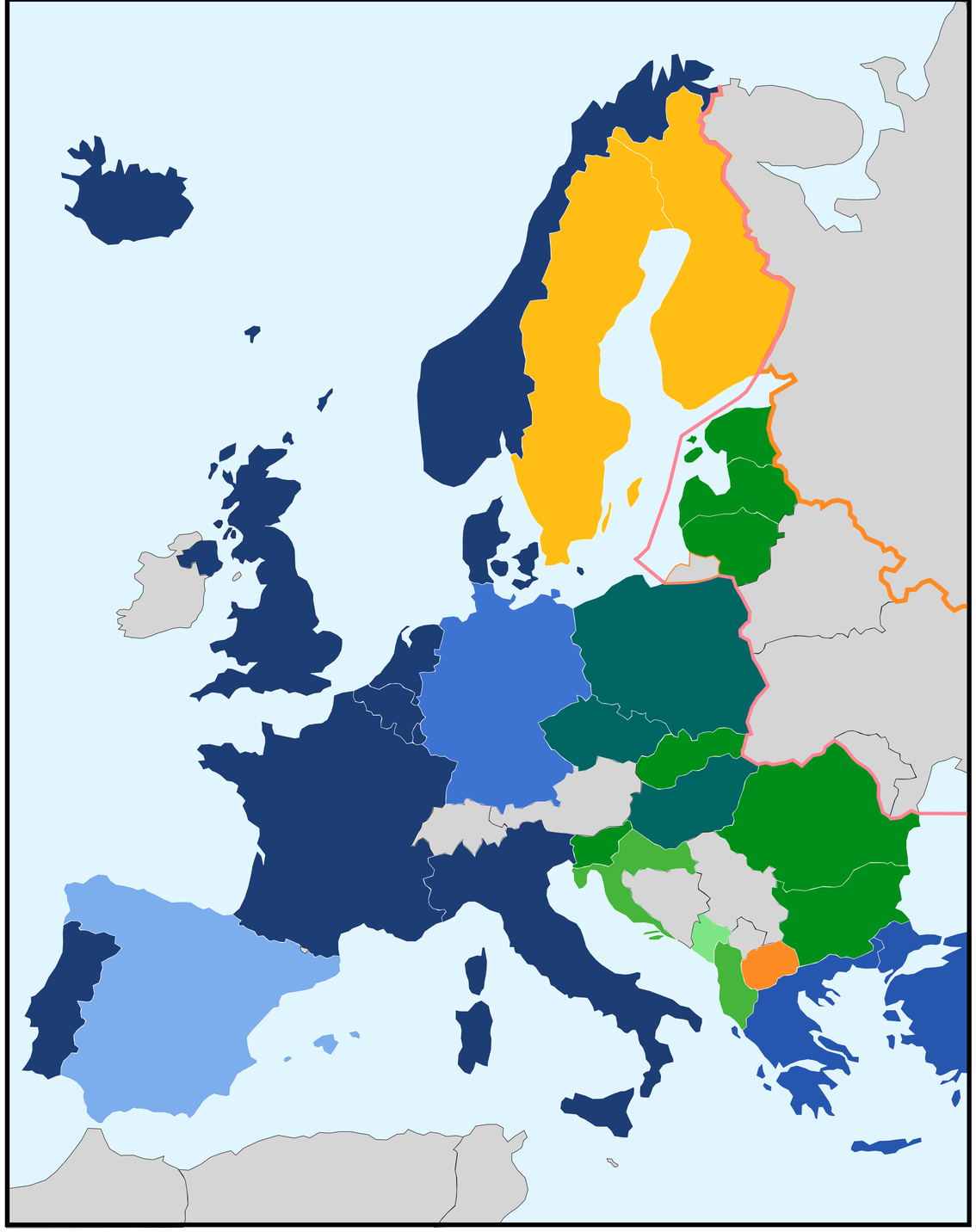

Ninth Enlargement Coming?

Accession Protocol Signed

2022

Sweden, Finland

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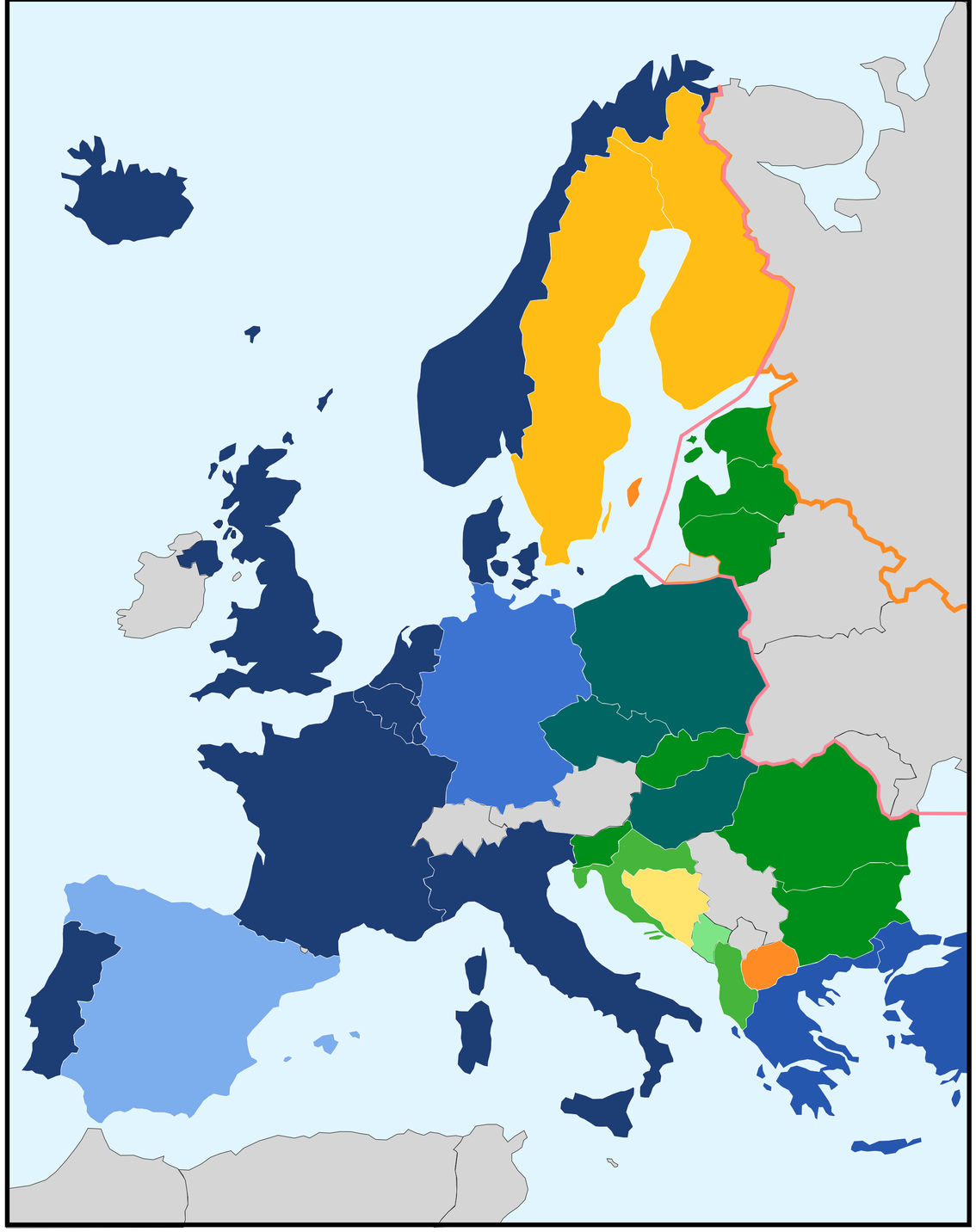

Further Enlargement?

Membership Action Plan Signed (2018)

Bosnia & Herzegovina

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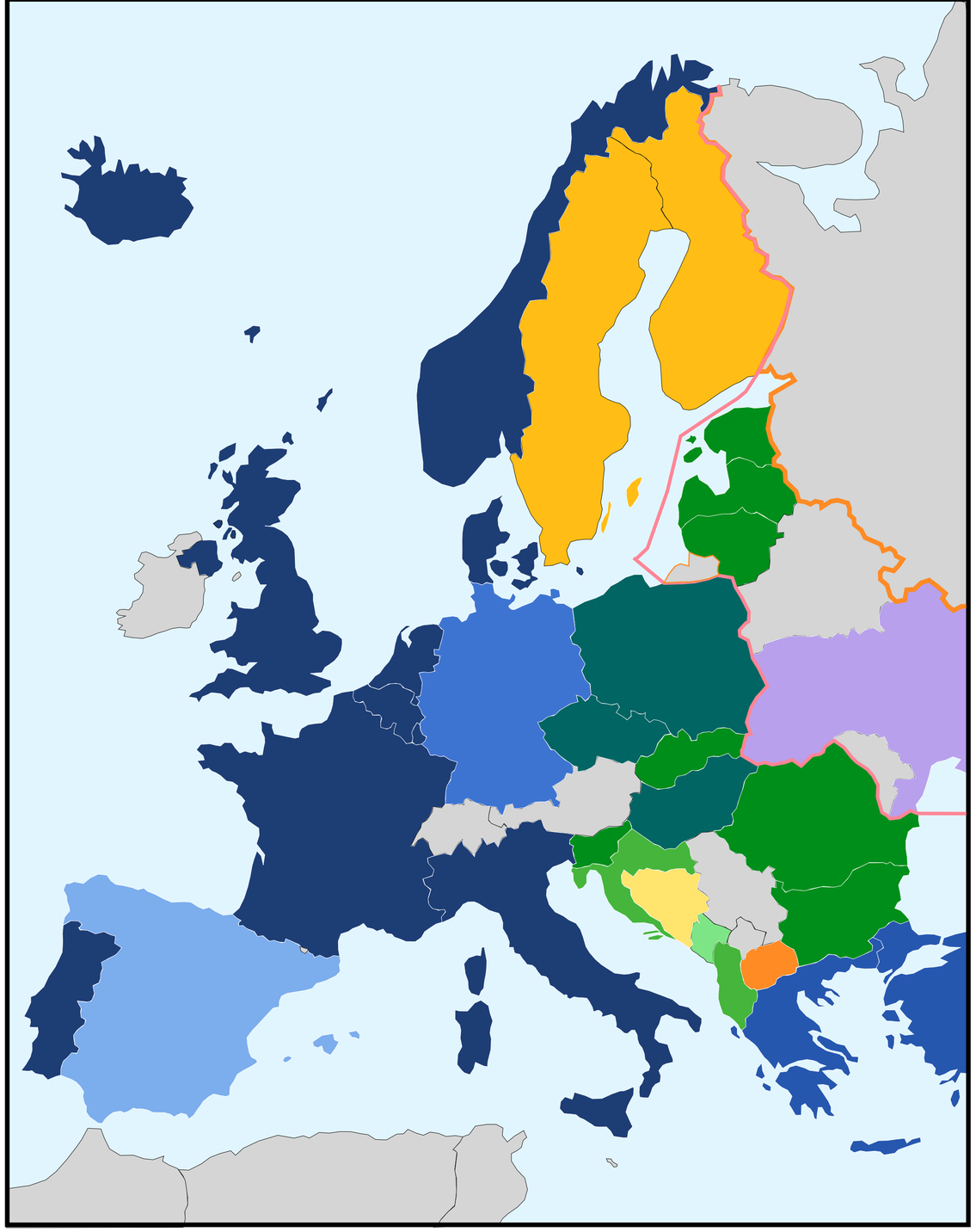

Further Enlargement?

Individualized Action Plan

Ukraine, Georgia (Georgia Not on MAP)

Ukraine Officially Applied for Membership, 2022)

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