

**Offshore Seas Proclamation 1978**

Being a Proclamation:

- (a) To delimit the offshore seas of the State; and
- (b) To provide that certain waters do not form part of the territorial sea of the State,

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**Certain waters not included in territorial sea**

5. For the purposes of section 2 of the National Seas Act 1977, so much of the waters of the sea in the area described in schedule 6 as are contained between the baselines and the 12-mile outer-limit line that are more than three miles seaward from the nearest point on the baselines do not form part of the territorial sea.

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**SCHEDULE 6**  
**Area for purposes of section 5**

The area bounded by a line commencing at the intersection of the parallel 9°21'30" south latitude with the meridian 142°33'15" east longitude; thence along the geodesic to the intersection of the parallel 9°08'15" south latitude with the meridian 143°52'00" east longitude; thence south along that meridian of longitude to the parallel 9°40'00" south latitude; thence west along that parallel of latitude to the meridian 142°03'30" east longitude; thence north along that meridian of longitude to its point of intersection with the southern coastline of the island of New Guinea at mean low-water springs; thence in a generally easterly direction along the coastline to its intersection with the meridian 142°33'15" east longitude; and thence south along that meridian to the point of commencement.