Proclamation of 4 February 1983 (Proclamation of Outer Limits (Torres Strait) pursuant to section 7 of the Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973)

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WHEREAS it is provided by sub-section 7(1) of the Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973 that the Governor-General may, from time to time, by Proclamation, declare, not inconsistently with Section II of Part I of the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone, the limits of the whole or of any part of the territorial sea:

AND WHEREAS it is provided by sub-section 7(2) of that Act that, for the purposes of such a Proclamation, the Governor-General may, in particular, determine either or both of the following:

(a)   the breadth of the territorial sea;

(b)   the baseline from which the breadth of the territoral sea, or any part of the territorial sea, is to be measured:

NOW THEREFORE I, Sir Ninian Martin Stephen, the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of Section 7 of the Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973 and with effect on and from 14 February 1983, hereby declare as follows:

1.   (1)   In this Proclamation, "mile" means international nautical mile, being a distance of 1,852 metres.

(2)   Where for the purposes of this Proclamation it is necessary to determine the position on the surface of the Earth of a point, line or area by reference to the Australian Geodetic Datum -

(a)   that position shall be determined by reference to a spheroid having its centre at the centre of the Earth and a major (equatorial) radius of 6,378,160 metres and a flattening of $\frac{100}{29825}$ and by reference to the position of the Johnston Geodetic Station in the Northern Territory, and

(b)   the Johnston Geodetic Station shall be taken to be situated at Latitude 25° 56' 54.5515" South and at Longitude 133° 12' 30.0771" East and to have a ground level of 571.2 metres above the spheroid referred to in paragraph (a).

2.   The outer limits of the territorial sea adjacent to certain islands comprised within the State of Queensland are as follows:

(a)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the islands known as Aubusi, Boigu and Moimi is the limit described in Schedule 1;

(b)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the islands known as Dauan, Kaumag and Saibai is the limit described in Schedule 2;

(c)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the islands known as Anchor Cay and East Cay is the limit described in Schedule 3;

(d)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the islands as Black Rocks and Bramble Cay is the limit described in Schedule 4;

(e)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the Islands known as Deliverance Island and Kerr Islet is the limit described in Schedule 5;

(f)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the island known as Turnagain Island is the limit described in Schedule 6;

(g)   the outer limit of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the island known as Turu Cay is the limit described in Schedule 7.

3.   The outer limit of so much of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to the island comprised within the State of Queensland and known as Pearce Cay as lies north of the parallel of Latitude 9° 33' 00" South is the limit described in Schedule 8.

4.   The inner limit of that part of the territorial sea of Australia adjacent to Pearce Cay that lies south of the parallel of Latitude 9° 33' 00" South is the low-water line of Pearce Cay at Lowest Astronomical Tide.

SCHEDULE 1
THE ISLANDS OF AUBUSI, BOIGU AND MOIMI

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to the islands of Aubusi, Boigu and Moimi is a continuous line -

(a)   commencing at the point of latitude 9° 15'43" South, longitude 142° 03'30" East;

(b)   running thence along the geodesics successively joining the following points -

	Latitude (South)	Longitude (East)
(i)	9° 15'43"	142° 03'30"
(ii)	9° 12'50"	142° 06'25"
(iii)	9° 11'51"	142° 08'33"
(iv)	9° 11'58"	142° 10'18"
(v)	9° 11'22"	142° 12'54"
(vi)	9° 11'34"	142° 14'08"
(vii)	9° 13'53"	142° 16'26"
(viii)	9° 16'04"	142° 20'41"

(c)   running thence along a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively from the following points -

	Latitude (South)	Longitude (East)

(i)   9° 15'53"   142° 17'39"
(ii)   9° 16'26"   142° 17'36"
(iii) 9° 16'28"   142° 17'36"
(iv) 9° 16'31"   142° 17'30"
(v)   9° 17'06"   142° 17'30"
(vi) 9° 17'15"   142° 17'30"
(vii) 9° 17'26"   142° 17'15"
(viii) 9° 17'50"   142° 16'46"
(ix) 9° 17'55"   142° 16'39"
(x)   9° 17'56"   142° 16'30"
(xi) 9° 17'53"   142° 16'11"
(xii) 9° 17'52"   142° 16'07"
(xiii) 9° 17'44"   142° 14'52"
(xiv) 9° 17'45"   142° 14'49"
(xv) 9° 17'44"   142° 14'38"
(xvi) 9° 17'44"   142° 14'30"
(xvii)   9° 17'38" 142° 14'06"
(xviii)   9° 17'38" 142° 13'59"
(xix) 9° 17'36"   142° 13'47"
(xx) 9° 17'34"   142° 13'31"
(xxi) 9° 17'33"   142° 13'20"
(xxii)   9° 17'32" 142° 12'56"
(xxiii)   9° 17'32" 142° 12'46"
(xxiv)   9° 17'33" 142° 12'26"
(xxv)   9° 17'38" 142° 11'56"
(xxvi)   9° 17'39" 142° 11'51"
(xxvii)   9° 17'38" 142° 11'34"
(xxviii)   9° 17'37" 142° 11'30"
(xxix)   9° 17'33" 142° 10'20"
(xxx)   9° 17'30" 142° 10'13"
(xxxi)   9° 17'15" 142° 09'08"
(xxxii)   9° 17'13" 142° 09'00"
(xxxiii)   9° 17'02" 142° 08'35"
(xxxiv)   9° 16'56" 142° 08'23"
(xxxv)   9° 16'52" 142° 08'15"
(xxxvi)   9° 16'47" 142° 08'01"
(xxxvii)   9° 16'46" 142° 07'58"
(xxxviii) 9° 16'21" 142° 06'52"
(xxxix)   9° 16'19" 142° 06'51"
(xl) 9° 15'08"   142° 06'28"

to the point of commencement.

SCHEDULE 2
THE ISLANDS OF DAUAN, KAUMAG AND SAIBAI

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to the islands of Dauan, Kaumag and Saibai is a continuous line -

(a)   commencing at the point of latitude 9° 22'04" South, longitude 142° 29'41" East;

(b)   running thence along the geodesics successively joining the following points -

	Latitude	Longitude
	(South)	(East)
(i)	9° 22'04"	142° 29'41"
(ii)	9° 21'48"	142° 31'29"
(iii)	9° 22'33"	142° 33'28"
(iv)	9° 21'25"	142° 35'29"
(v)	9° 20'21"	142° 41'43"
(vi)	9° 20'16"	142° 43'53"
(vii)	9° 19'26"	142° 48'18"

and

(c)   running thence along a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

		Latitude (South)	Longitude (East)
(i)		9° 22'24"	142° 47'49"
(ii)		9° 22'28	142° 47'53"
(iii)		9° 22'39"	142° 47'57"
(iv)		9° 22'48"	142° 48'00"
(v)		9° 22'58"	142° 48'01"
(vi)		9° 23'02"	142° 48'01"
(vii)		9° 23'06"	142° 47'59"
(viii)		9° 23'12"	142° 47'55"
(ix)		9° 23'28"	142° 47'46"
(x)		9° 23'44"	142° 47'41"
(xi)		9° 25'46"	142° 46'36"
(xii)		9° 25'48"	142° 46'36"
(xiii)		9° 25'53"	142° 46'29"
(xiv)		9° 26'05"	142° 46'12"
(xv)		9° 26'10"	142° 46'03"
(xvi)		9° 26'15"	142° 45'47"
(xvii)		9° 26'15"	142° 45'34"
(xviii)		9° 26'12"	142° 45'25"
(xix)		9° 26'09"	142° 45'12"
(xx)		9° 26'06"	142° 45'07"
(xxi)		9° 25'57"	142° 44'39"
(xxii)		9° 25'48"	142° 43'07"
(xxiii)		9° 25'54"	142° 42'42"
(xxiv)		9° 25'53"	142° 42'13"
(xxv)		9° 25'52"	142° 41'59"
(xxvi)		9° 25'51"	142° 41'51"
(xxvii)		9° 25'48"	142° 41'15"
(xxviii)		9° 25'47"	142° 41'04"
(xxix)		9° 25'46"	142° 40'55"
(xxx)		9° 25'43"	142° 40'20"
(xxxi)		9° 25'44"	142° 40'04"
(xxxii)		9° 25'50"	142° 39'30"
(xxxiii)		9° 25'51"	142° 39'22"
(xxxiv)		9° 25'50"	142° 39'13"
(xxxv)		9° 25'48"	142° 39'03"
(xxxvi)		9° 25'35"	142° 38'05"
(xxxvii)		9° 25'31"	142° 37'46"
(xxxviii)		9° 25'28"	142° 37'36"
(xxxix)		9° 25'23"	142° 37'22"
(xl)		9° 25'22"	142° 37'19"
(xli)		9° 25'04"	142° 36'35"
(xlii)		9° 24'50"	142° 36'03"
(xliii)		9° 25'25"	142° 33'03"
(xliv)		9° 25'27"	142° 32'58"

(xlv) 9° 25'54"   142° 32'17"
(xlvi)   9° 26'11" 142° 33'00"
(xlvii)   9° 26'15" 142° 31'55"
(xlviii)   9° 26'17" 142° 31'52"
(xlix)   9° 26'17" 142° 31'48"
(l)   9° 26'15"   142° 31'46"
(li)   9° 26'06"   142° 31'47"
(lii) 9° 25'38"   142° 31'35"
(liii) 9° 25'28"   142° 31'34"
(liv) 9° 25'24"   142° 31'33"
(lv) 9° 25'05"   142° 31'27"
(lvi) 9° 24'39"   142° 31'18"
(lvii) 9° 24'37"   142° 31'17"
(lviii)   9° 24'32" 142° 31'24"

to the point of commencement.

SCHEDULE 3
THE ISLANDS OF ANCHOR CAY AND EAST CAY

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to the islands of Anchor Cay and East Cay is the continuous line formed by a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively, so as to enclose the islands, from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

		Latitude (South)	Longitude (East)
(i)		9° 21'27"	144° 07'30"
(ii)		9° 21'25"	144° 07'28"
(iii)		9° 21'25"	144° 07'38"
(iv)		9° 21'26"	144° 07'44"
(v)		9° 21'29"	144° 07'50"
(vi)		9° 21'31"	144° 07'55"
(vii)		9° 21'44"	144° 08'24"
(viii)		9° 21'45"	144° 08'27"
(ix)		9° 21'49"	144° 08'33"
(x)		9° 21'54"	144° 08'37"
(xi)		9° 23'09"	144° 12'43"
(xii)		9° 23'02"	144° 12'55"
(xiii)		9° 23'02"	144° 13'23"
(xiv)		9° 23'04"	144° 13'29"
(xv)		9° 23'06"	144° 13'33"
(xvi)		9° 23'09"	144° 13'40"
(xvii)		9° 23'13"	144° 13'44"
(xviii)		9° 23'30"	144° 13'59"
(xix)		9° 23'40"	144° 14'11"
(xx)		9° 23'44"	144° 14'18"
(xxi)		9° 23'50"	144° 14'25"
(xxii)		9° 23'59"	144° 14'30"
(xxiii)		9° 24'05"	144° 14'31"
(xxiv)		9° 24'19"	144° 14'33"
(xxv)		9° 24'29"	144° 14'37"
(xxvi)		9° 24'40"	144° 14'40"
(xxvii)		9° 24'44"	144° 14'40"
(xxviii)		9° 24'49"	144° 14'35"
(xxix)		9° 24'53"	144° 14'33"
(xxx)		9° 24'57"	144° 14'27"
(xxxi)		9° 24'57"	144° 14'20"
(xxxii)		9° 24'56"	144° 14'14"
(xxxiii)		9° 24'44"	144° 13'19"
(xxxiv)		9° 24'40"	144° 13'02"

(xxxv)   9° 24'36" 144° 12'58"
(xxxvi)   9° 24'31" 144° 12'56"
(xxxvii) 9° 23'47" 144° 12'34"
(xxxviii) 9° 22'06" 144° 08'38"
(xxxix)   9° 22'07" 144° 08'31"
(xl) 9° 21'59"   144° 07'57"
(xli) 9° 21'47"   144° 07'32"
(xlii) 9° 21'44"   144° 07'29"
(xliii)   9° 21'40" 144° 07'26"
(xliv)   9° 21'35" 144° 07'24"

SCHEDULE 4
THE ISLANDS OF BLACK ROCKS AND BRAMBLE CAY

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to the islands of Black Rocks and Bramble Cay is the continuous line formed by a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively, so as to enclose the islands, from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South)   (East)

(i)   9° 10'28"   143° 49'59"
(ii)   9° 08'40"   143° 52'19"
(iii) 9° 08'33"   143° 52'22"
(iv)   9° 08'26"   143° 52'32"
(v)   9° 08'24"   143° 52'41"
(vi)   9° 08'23"   143° 52'48"
(vii) 9° 08'24"   143° 52'54"
(viii) 9° 08'27"   143° 53'06"
(ix)   9° 08'32"   143° 53'12"
(x)   9° 08'43"   143° 53'19"
(xi)   9° 08'48"   143° 53'19"
(xii) 9° 08'52"   143° 53'17"
(xiii) 9° 09'00"   143° 53'13"
(xiv) 9° 09'04"   143° 53'07"
(xv)   9° 09'08"   143° 53'00"
(xvi) 9° 09'07"   143° 53'49"

SCHEDULE 5
DELIVERANCE ISLAND AND KERR ISLET

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to Deliverance Island and Kerr Islet is the continuous line formed by a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively, so as to enclose the islands, from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

		Latitude (South)	Longitude (East)
(i)		9° 32'39"	141° 32'15"
(ii)		9° 32'35"	141° 32'11"
(iii)		9° 32'07"	141° 31'50"
(iv)		9° 32'02"	141° 31'54"
(v)		9° 31'56"	141° 31'58"
(vi)		9° 31'51"	141° 32'02"
(vii)		9° 31'29"	141° 32'17"
(viii)		9° 31'27"	141° 32'19"
(ix)		9° 31'24"	141° 32'21"
(x)		9° 30'40"	141° 33'32"
(xi)		9° 30'08"	141° 34'01"
(xii)		9° 30'01"	141° 34'05"
(xiii)		9° 29'57"	141° 34'08"
(xiv)		9° 29'51"	141° 34'14"
(xv)		9° 29'51"	141° 34'19"
(xvi)		9° 29'58"	141° 36'13"
(xvii)		9° 30'04"	141° 36'16"
(xviii)		9° 30'12"	141° 36'16"
(xix)		9° 30'28"	141° 36'18"
(xx)		9° 30'47"	141° 36'18"
(xxi)		9° 31'00"	141° 36'15"
(xxii)		9° 31'11"	141° 36'10"
(xxiii)		9° 31'29"	141° 36'02"
(xxiv)		9° 31'38"	141° 35'55"
(xxv)		9° 31'47"	141° 35'46"
(xxvi)		9° 31'50"	141° 35'42"
(xxvii)		9° 32'02"	141° 35'21"
(xxviii)		9° 36'21"	141° 34'33"
(xxix)		9° 36'24"	141° 34'34"
(xxx)		9° 36'35"	141° 34'33"
(xxxi)		9° 36'49"	141° 34'26"
(xxxii)		9° 36'56"	141° 34'21"
(xxxiii)		9° 37'05"	141° 34'02"
(xxxiv)		9° 37'14"	141° 33'47"

(xxxv)   9° 37'15"   141° 33'28"
(xxxvi)   9° 37'13"   141° 33'25"
(xxxvii) 9° 37'09"   141° 33'22"
(xxxviii) 9° 37'03"   141° 33'21"
(xxxix)   9° 36'58"   141° 33'22"
(xl) 9° 36'52"   141° 33'27"

SCHEDULE 6
TURNAGAIN ISLAND

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to Turnagain Island is the continuous line formed by a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively, so as to enclose the islands, from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

(i)   9° 32'54"   142° 10'47"
(ii)   9° 32'54"   142° 10'44"
(iii)   9° 32'54"   142° 10'40"
(iv)   9° 32'52"   142° 10'36"
(v)   9° 32'49"   142° 10'35"
(vi)   9° 32'44"   142° 10'36"
(vii)   9° 32'23"   142° 10'54"
(viii) 9° 32'11"   142° 11'39"
(xix)   9° 32'10"   142° 11'45"
(x)   9° 32'15"   141° 11'54"
(xi)   9° 32'37"   142° 14'59"
(xii)   9° 32'36"   142° 15'08"
(xiii) 9° 32'37"   142° 15'14"
(xiv)   9° 32'40"   142° 15'24"
(xv)   9° 32'44"   142° 15'40"
(xvi)   9° 32'44"   142° 15'47"
(xvii)   9° 32'45" 142° 15'53"
(xviii)   9° 32'48" 142° 16'04"
(xix)   9° 32'51"   142° 16'16"
(xx)   9° 32'53"   142° 16'28"
(xxi)   9° 32'54"   142° 16'34"
(xxii)   9° 32'56" 142° 16'39"
(xxiii)   9° 32'58" 142° 16'49"
(xxiv)   9° 33'02" 142° 17'01"
(xxv)   9° 33'03" 142° 17'12"
(xxvi)   9° 33'05" 142° 17'18"
(xxvii)   9° 33'11" 142° 17'30"
(xxviii)   9° 33'14" 142° 17'40"

(xxix)   9° 33'16"   142° 17'50"
(xxx)   9° 33'18"   142° 18'00"
(xxxi)   9° 33'21"   142° 18'09"
(xxxii)   9° 33'23"   142° 18'16"
(xxxiii)   9° 33'28"   142° 18'27"
(xxxiv)   9° 33'33"   142° 18'42"
(xxxv)   9° 33'35"   142° 18'51"
(xxxvi)   9° 33'38"   142° 19'03"
(xxxvii)   9° 33'41"   142° 19'12"
(xxxviii) 9° 33'42"   142° 19'19"
(xxxix)   9° 33'44"   142° 19'25"
(xl) 9° 33'47"   142° 19'38"
(xli) 9° 33'49"   142° 19'40"
(xlii) 9° 34'15"   142° 20'11"
(xliii)   9° 34'19"   142° 20'16"
(xliv)   9° 34'23"   142° 20'17"
(xlv) 9° 34'29"   142° 20'14"
(xlvi)   9° 34'34"   142° 20'10"
(xlvii)   9° 34'42"   142° 20'03"
(xlviii)   9° 34'46"   142° 19'58"
(xlix)   9° 34'49"   142° 19'52"
(l)   9° 34'52"   142° 19'32"
(li)   9° 34'52"   142° 19'24"
(lii) 9° 34'52"   142° 19'15"
(liii) 9° 34'50"   142° 19'05"
(liv) 9° 34'48"   142° 18'54"
(lv)   9° 34'46"   142° 18'39"
(lvi) 9° 34'43"   142° 18'28"
(lvii) 9° 34'40"   142° 18'11"
(lviii)   9° 34'38"   142° 18'05"
(lix) 9° 34'35"   142° 17'56"
(lx) 9° 34'30"   142° 17'39"
(lxi) 9° 34'23"   142° 17'09"
(lxii) 9° 34'21"   142° 16'55"
(lxiii)   9° 34'19"   142° 16'39"
(lxiv)   9° 34'16"   142° 16'29"
(lxv) 9° 34'07"   142° 15'58"
(lxvi)   9° 34'05"   142° 15'49"
(lxvii)   9° 34'01"   142° 15'41"
(lxviii)   9° 33'50"   142° 15'17"
(lxix)   9° 33'48"   142° 15'10"
(lxx) 9° 33'44"   142° 15'00"
(lxxi)   9° 33'35"   142° 14'48"
(lxxii)   9° 33'24"   142° 14'31"
(lxxiii)   9° 33'09"   142° 13'59"
(lxxiv)   9° 33'08"   142° 13'53"

SCHEDULE 7
TURU CAY

The outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to Turu Cay is a continuous line formed by a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively, so as to enclose Turu Cay, from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

(i)   9° 49'53"   141° 24'42"
(ii)   9° 49'39"   141° 24'44"
(iii)   9° 49'31"   141° 24'52"
(iv)   9° 49'25"   141° 25'02"
(v)   9° 49'23"   141° 25'13"
(vi)   9° 49'20"   141° 25'25"
(vii)   9° 49'19"   141° 25'36"
(viii) 9° 49'18"   141° 25'43"
(ix)   9° 49'18"   141° 25'53"
(x)   9° 49'17"   141° 26'07"
(xi)   9° 49'23"   141° 26'09"
(xii)   9° 49'26"   141° 26'06"
(xiii) 9° 49'32"   141° 25'58"
(xiv)   9° 49'38"   141° 25'49"
(xv)   9° 49'44"   141° 25'38"
(xvi)   9° 49'47"   141° 25'31"
(xvii)   9° 49'53" 141° 25'19"
(xviii)   9° 49'56" 141° 25'09"
(xix)   9° 49'57"   141° 24'54"
(xx)   9° 49'56"   141° 24'45"

SCHEDULE 8
PEARCE CAY

The outer limit of that part of the territorial sea adjacent to Pearce Cay which lies north of the parallel of latitude 9° 33'00" South is a continuous line -

(a)   commencing at the point of latitude 9° 33'00" South, longitude 143° 14'51" East;

(b)   running thence along a series of intersecting arcs of circles having a radius of 3 miles and drawn successively from the following points -

Latitude Longitude
(South) (East)

(i)	9° 30'56"	143° 17'03"
(ii)	9° 30'53"	143° 17'03"
(iii)	9° 30'50"	143° 17'08"
(iv)	9° 30'46"	143° 17'19"
(v)	9° 30'43"	143° 17'26"
(vi)	9° 30'42"	143° 17'34"
(vii)	9° 30'41"	143° 17'43"
(viii)	9° 30'48"	143° 17'42"
(ix)	9° 30'50"	143° 17'40"

to the point of latitude 9° 31'00" South, longitude 143° 19'46" East; and

(c)   running thence west along the parallel of latitude 9° 33'00" South to the point of commencement.

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