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Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development

Decree No. 2015-958 of 31 July 2015 defining the baselines from which the breadth of the French territorial sea adjacent to the territory of mainland France and Corsica is measured

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Relevant parties: *users of the sea in French waters of the Channel, Atlantic-Bay of Biscay and the Mediterranean.*

Purpose: *definition of the baselines from which the breadth of the French territorial sea adjacent to the territory of mainland France and Corsica is measured.*

Entry into force: *the legislation shall enter into force on the day following its publication.*

Note: *pursuant to the relevant provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, the present decree updates and clarifies the baselines defined in the decree of 19 October 1967, which it repeals and replaces.*

References: *the present decree can be accessed on the Légifrance website (<http://www.legifrance.gouv.fr>).*

The Prime Minister,

Recalling the relevant report of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Development,

Having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, signed at Montego Bay on 10 December 1982,

Having regard to amended Act No. 71-1060 of 24 December 1971 concerning the delimitation of French territorial waters,

Hereby decrees:

Article 1. - The baselines from which the breadth of the French territorial sea adjacent to mainland France in the North Sea, the Channel, the Atlantic and Mediterranean is measured, shall be defined by the basepoints and lines described in the tables in articles 2, 3 and 4 and by articles 5 and 6 of the present decree.

In the tables, all coordinates are expressed in RGF93 (Réseau Géodésique Français), the French geodetic reference system, compatible with the World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS84).

The tables contain the following information:

- First column: point;
- Second column: name of point, where applicable;
- Third column: latitude;
- Fourth column: longitude;
- Fifth column: type of line connecting the basepoint to the next basepoint; this line may be a rhumb line (a straight baseline) or the low-water line.

Article 2. - The baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the North Sea –Channel- Atlantic seaboard is measured shall be defined by the following basepoints and lines:

POINT	NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	TYPE OF LINE
	Intersection of the France-Belgium maritime boundary with the low-water line			Low-water line
AT01	Cap de la Hève	49° 30' 45" N	00° 03' 47" E	Rhumb line

AT02	Port Deauville	49° 22' 26" N	00° 04' 01" E	Low-water line
AT03	Roches de Grandcamp	49° 24' 02" N	01° 01' 06" W	Rhumb line
AT04	îles Saint-Marcouf	49° 29' 59" N	01° 08' 41" W	Rhumb line
AT05	Pointe de Saire	49° 36' 07" N	01° 13' 17" W	Low-water line
AT06	Cap Lévi	49° 42' 01" N	01° 28' 23" W	Rhumb line
AT07	Pointe de Nacqueville	49° 41' 01" N	01° 43' 07" W	Low-water line
AT08	Nez des Voidries	49° 40' 33" N	01° 56' 55" W	Rhumb line
AT09	Cap de Flamanville	49° 31' 37" N	01° 53' 14" W	Low-water line
AT10	Pointe du Roc	48° 50' 10" N	01° 37' 07" W	Rhumb line
AT11	Pointe du Grouin	48° 42' 50" N	01° 50' 43" W	Rhumb line
AT12	Tourelle de Rochefort	48° 42' 51" N	01° 58' 15" W	Rhumb line
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AT13	Malo coast)	48° 41' 18" N	02° 03' 01" W	Rhumb line
AT14	Île de Cézembre (off the Saint-Malo coast)	48° 40' 46" N	02° 04' 08" W	Rhumb line
AT15	Cap Fréhel	48° 41' 19" N	02° 19' 06" W	Rhumb line
AT16	Phare du Grand Léjon	48° 44' 55" N	02° 39' 53" W	Rhumb line
AT17	Tourelle de la Horaine	48° 53' 30" N	02° 55' 14" W	Rhumb line
AT18	Men Lemm (les Héaux-de-Bréhat)	48° 54' 49" N	03° 05' 31" W	Rhumb line
AT19	Les Pierres Droites (île Rouzic, les Sept îles)	48° 54' 13" N	03° 26' 19" W	Rhumb line
AT20	La Godelaine (les Sept îles)	48° 53' 58" N	03° 29' 31" W	Rhumb line
AT21	Plesquen (les Triagoz)	48° 52' 55" N	03° 37' 38" W	Rhumb line
AT22	Île de Batz	48° 45' 43" N	04° 01' 36" W	Rhumb line
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AT23	coast of l'île Vierge)	48° 39' 24" N	04° 32' 29" W	Rhumb line
AT24	Men Hir (Roches de Portsall)	48° 35' 24" N	04° 43' 47" W	Rhumb line
AT25	Keller Vihan (north of l'île d'Ouessant)	48° 28' 58" N	05° 06' 12" W	Rhumb line
AT26	Le Page (west of l'île d'Ouessant)	48° 27' 18" N	05° 08' 42" W	Rhumb line
AT27	Phare de Nividic	48° 26' 44" N	05° 09' 03" W	Rhumb line
AT28	Phare d'Ar Men	48° 03' 00" N	04° 59' 52" W	Rhumb line
AT29	Les Etocs (south of la pointe de Penmarc'h)	47° 46' 16" N	04° 20' 41" W	Rhumb line
AT30	Tourelle Ar Guisty (les Putains)	47° 45' 37" N	04° 15' 33" W	Rhumb line
AT31	Folavoalh (îles de Glénan)	47° 41' 36" N	04° 00' 43" W	Rhumb line
AT32	Pointe de l'Enfer (île	47° 37' 13" N	03° 27' 48" W	Rhumb line

	de Groix)			
AT33	îles de Baguenères (Belle-île)	47° 18' 40" N	03° 15' 10" W	Rhumb line
AT34	-	47° 18' 12" N	03° 14' 35" W	Rhumb line
AT35	-	47° 17' 58" N	03° 14' 14" W	Rhumb line
AT36	îles de Domois	47° 17' 46" N	03° 13' 50" W	Rhumb line
AT37	-	47° 17' 32" N	03° 13' 06" W	Rhumb line
AT38	Roches de Bornor (Belle-île)	47° 17' 29" N	03° 12' 48" W	Rhumb line
AT39	Pointe du Skeul (Belle- île)	47° 16' 39" N	03° 05' 36" W	Rhumb line
AT40	Phare des Grands Cardinaux	47° 19' 16" N	02° 50' 06" W	Rhumb line
AT41	Phare de La Banche	47° 10' 38" N	02° 28' 04" W	Rhumb line

AT42	Île du Pilier	47° 03' 02" N	02° 22' 20" W	Rhumb line
AT43	Tourelle des Chiens Perrins	46° 43' 37" N	02° 24' 35" W	Rhumb line
AT44	Pointe du Château Maugarni (île d'Yeu)	46° 42' 28" N	02° 23' 40" W	Rhumb line
AT45	Pointe du Châtelet (île d'Yeu)	46° 41' 58" N	02° 23' 02" W	Rhumb line
AT46	Pointe de la Tranche	46° 41' 06" N	02° 20' 01" W	Rhumb line
AT47	Phare des Barges	46° 29' 42" N	01° 50' 30" W	Rhumb line
AT48	Pointe des Baleines (île de Ré)	46° 14' 53" N	01° 35' 31" W	Low-water line
AT49	Pointe de Chanchardon (île de Ré)	46° 10' 26" N	01° 29' 42" W	Rhumb line
AT50	Pointe de Chassiron (île d'Oléron)	46° 02' 50" N	01° 25' 15" W	Low-water line
AT51	La Cotinère (île	45° 54' 40" N	01° 20' 36" W	Rhumb line

	d'Oléron)			
AT52	Pointe de la Coubre	45° 40' 33" N	01° 14' 02" W	Rhumb line
AT53	Pointe de la Négade	45° 28' 14" N	01° 09' 30" W	Low-water line
AT54	Cap Ferret	44° 37' 33" N	01° 15' 53" W	Rhumb line
AT55	Pointe d'Arcachon	44° 31' 23" N	01° 15' 44" W	Low-water line
	Intersection of the France-Spain maritime boundary with the low-water line	-	-	-

Article 3.- The baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the Mediterranean continental seaboard is measured, shall be defined by the following basepoints and lines:

POINT	NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	TYPE OF LINE
-	Terminus of the land border between France and Spain	-	-	Low-water line
MD01	Mouth of the Grau de Palavas-les-Flots	43° 31' 20" N	03° 55' 59" E	Rhumb line
MD02	Pointe de l'Espiguette	43° 28' 58" N	04° 08' 10" E	Low-water line
MD03	Grau d'Orgon	43° 27' 03" N	04° 23' 29" E	Rhumb line
MD04	Pointe de Beauduc ou du Sablon	43° 22' 21" N	04° 33' 40" E	Low-water line
MD05	Mouth of the Grand Rhône	43° 19' 46" N	04° 50' 01" E	Rhumb line

MD06	Cap Couronne	43° 19' 28" N	05° 03' 12" E	Rhumb line
MD07	île du Planier	43° 11' 52" N	05° 13' 44" E	Rhumb line
MD08	Les Empereurs (île de Riou)	43° 10' 11" N	05° 23' 41" E	Rhumb line
MD09	Cap de l'Aigle	43° 09' 37" N	05° 36' 17" E	Rhumb line
MD10	Rochers des Magnons (îles des Embiez)	43° 04' 43" N	05° 45' 38" E	Rhumb line
MD11	Pointe du Cougoussa (îles des Embiez)	43° 04' 12" N	05° 46' 44" E	Rhumb line
MD12	Pointe du Mourret	43° 03' 55" N	05° 48' 26" E	Low-water line
MD13	Cap Sicié	43° 02' 45" N	05° 51' 33" E	Rhumb line
MD14	West of cap d'Arme (île de Porquerolles)	42° 58' 56" N	06° 11' 52" E	Low-water line
MD15	East of cap d'Arme (île de Porquerolles)	42° 58' 56" N	06° 12' 22" E	Rhumb line
MD16	Ilot de la Gabinière (île de Port Cros)	42° 59' 13" N	06° 23' 42" E	Rhumb line
MD17	Pointe Maupertuis (île du Levant)	43° 00' 12" N	06° 26' 17" E	Rhumb line
MD18	Grand Cap (île du Levant)	43° 01' 00" N	06° 28' 15" E	Rhumb line
MD19	Tourelle de l'Esquillade	43° 03' 02" N	06° 31' 57" E	Rhumb line
MD20	Cap Taillat ou cap Cartaya	43° 09' 59" N	06° 38' 52" E	Rhumb line
MD21	Rocher Fouras (cap Camarat)	43° 11' 57" N	06° 41' 20" E	Rhumb line
MD22	Teste de Can (South-west of cap de Saint-Tropez)	43° 15' 29" N	06° 42' 14" E	Rhumb line
MD23	Pointe des Issambres	43° 20' 48" N	06° 43' 00" E	Rhumb line
MD24	Ilot de La Boutte	43° 25' 28" N	06° 53' 41" E	Rhumb line
MD25	Tourelle des Moines	43° 29' 58" N	07° 03' 05" E	Rhumb line
MD26	Pointe de l'Islandtte (cap d'Antibes)	43° 32' 31" N	07° 07' 21" E	Low-water line
MD27	Cap Gros	43° 33' 07" N	07° 08' 42" E	Rhumb line

MD28	Pointe Malalongue (cap Ferrat)	43° 40' 27" N	07° 19' 36" E	Low-water line
MD29	Pointe de Saint-Hospice	43° 41' 12" N	07° 20' 59" E	Rhumb line
MD30	Cap d'Ail	43° 43' 07" N	07° 24' 23" E	Low-water line
-	Intersection of the western France-Monaco maritime boundary with the low-water line	-	-	-
-	Intersection of the eastern France-Monaco maritime boundary with the low-water line	-	-	Low-water line
MD31	Pointe de la Veille	43° 44' 59" N	07° 26' 40" E	Rhumb line
MD32	Cap Martin	43° 44' 56" N	07° 29' 12" E	Low-water line
-	Intersection of the France-Italy maritime boundary with the low-water line	-	-	-

Article 4. - The baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to Corsica is measured shall be defined by the following basepoints and lines:

POINT	NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	TYPE OF LINE
CO01	North-east of the golfe de Pinarellu	41° 41' 36" N	09° 24' 03" E	Rhumb line
CO02	Ilot Roscana	41° 41' 01" N	09° 24' 11" E	Rhumb line
CO03	île du Toro	41° 30' 33" N	09° 23' 04" E	Rhumb line
CO04	Tourelle de l'écueil de Sperduto	41° 21' 58" N	09° 18' 55" E	Rhumb line
CO05	South-east of the îles Lavezzi	41° 20' 00" N	09° 15' 43" E	Rhumb line
CO06	South of the îles Lavezzi	41° 20' 01" N	09° 15' 30" E	Rhumb line
CO07	South west of the îles Lavezzi	41° 20' 09" N	09° 14' 48" E	Rhumb line
CO08	île Saint-Antoine	41° 21' 53" N	09° 10' 47" E	Rhumb line

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CO09	Capo di Feno	41° 23' 31" N	09° 05' 46" E	Rhumb line
CO10	Les Moines	41° 27' 17" N	08° 54' 23" E	Rhumb line
CO11	Punta d'Aquila (Capu di Senetosa)	41° 33' 22" N	08° 47' 04" E	Rhumb line
CO12	Capu di Muru	41° 44' 20" N	08° 39' 33" E	Rhumb line
CO13	îles Sanguinaires	41° 52' 25" N	08° 34' 57" E	Rhumb line
CO14	Capo di Feno (golfe de Sagone)	41° 57' 44" N	08° 35' 26" E	Rhumb line
CO15	Punta d'Omigna	42° 08' 43" N	08° 33' 28" E	Rhumb line
CO16	Capu Rossu	42° 14' 11" N	08° 32' 17" E	Rhumb line
CO17	île de Gargali	42° 22' 20" N	08° 32' 05" E	Rhumb line
CO18	Ilot Palazzu	42° 22' 50" N	08° 32' 46" E	Rhumb line
CO19	I Scuglietti	42° 25' 14" N	08° 36' 19" E	Rhumb line
CO20	Capu di a Mursetta	42° 28' 29" N	08° 38' 58" E	Low-water line
CO21	La Revellata	42° 35' 02" N	08° 43' 37" E	Rhumb line
CO22	North of Punta Spano	42° 36' 14" N	08° 48' 21" E	Low-water line
CO23	Punta di Mignola	42° 44' 12" N	09° 10' 02" E	Rhumb line
CO24	Punta di Canelle	42° 50' 00" N	09° 18' 35" E	Low-water line
CO01	North-eastern tip of the golfe de Pinarellu	41° 41' 36" N	09° 24' 03" E	-

Article 5 -The low-water line of the Roches Douvres plateau and îles Chausey shall be used to determine the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to mainland France is measured.

Article 6 -The low-water line of the low-tide elevations situated wholly or partly at a distance not exceeding the breadth of the territorial sea from mainland France shall be used to determine the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to mainland France is measured.

Article 7 -The decree of 19 October 1967 defining the straight baselines and closing lines of bays used to determine the baselines from which the territorial waters is measured, is hereby repealed.

Article 8. -The Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Development, the Minister of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy, the Minister of Defence, the Minister of the Interior and the Secretary of State for Transport, the Sea and Fisheries, shall be responsible, within their respective mandates, for the implementation of the present decree, which shall be published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic.

Done on 31 July 2015

By the Prime Minister, **Manuel Valls**

Laurent **Fabius**, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Development

Ségolène **Royal**, Minister of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy

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