

Act No. 2674 of 20 May 1982, on the Territorial Sea of the Republic of Türkiye

Article I

The sovereignty of the Republic of Turkey extends beyond its land territory to its territorial sea.

The breadth of the territorial sea shall be of six nautical miles.

The Council of Ministers has the right to establish the breadth of the territorial sea, in certain seas, up to a limit exceeding six nautical miles, under reservation to take into account all special circumstances and relevant situations therein, and in conformity with the equity principle.

Article II

The delimitation of the territorial sea between Turkey and other opposite or adjacent States shall be effected by agreement.

The said agreement shall be concluded on the basis of the equity principle and taking into account all special circumstances and situations in the region.

Article III

The Council of Ministers shall determine the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured.

Article IV

The waters on the land side of the baselines and the waters of the bays shall be internal waters of the Republic of Turkey. The permanent harbour works are regarded as forming part of the coast and the waters on the land side of those outermost offshore installations shall be internal waters.

Article V

The baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured, and delimiting the outer limit of internal waters, shall be marked on official large-scale maps.

Article VI

Act number 476 of 15 May 1964 and the provisions of other acts conflicting with the present act are repealed.

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Article VIII

This act will be implemented by the Council of Ministers.