

**Convention on Maritime Boundaries between the Government of the French Republic and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
(25 October 1983)**

The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;
Desiring to strengthen the relations of good-neighbourliness and friendship between the two countries;
Recognising the need to delimit in a precise and equitable manner the maritime areas around the Tuamotu Archipelago on the one hand and Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands on the other, over which the two States respectively exercise sovereignty;
Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The boundary between the French economic zone around the Tuamotu Archipelago and the fisheries zone around Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands is based on a line of equidistance. This line has been determined using the baselines from which the territorial sea of each country is measured. In the case of France, the baseline is drawn in accordance with the Laws of 24 December 1971 and 28 December 1976. In the case of Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands, the baseline is the low-water mark.

Article 2

1. The boundary line determined in accordance with Article 1 is formed by loxodromic arcs linking, in the order in which they are given, the points identified below by their coordinates.

	<u>Longitude West</u>	<u>Latitude South</u>
POINT V 1	133° 25' 29"	26° 34' 05"
POINT V 2	132° 59' 32"	25° 40' 40"
POINT V 3	132° 41' 11"	24° 04' 08"
POINT V 4	132° 23' 23"	22° 22' 55"
POINT V 5	132° 08' 37"	21° 03' 05"
POINT V 6	131° 58' 43"	20° 45' 54"

2. The geographical coordinates given in this Article are expressed in the geodesic reference system WGS 72 (World Geodesic System).

3. This line has been drawn by way of illustration on the map in the Annex to this Convention.

Article 3

The line defined in Article 2 of this Convention constitutes the maritime boundary between the zones referred to in Article 1 of this Convention.

Article 4

Each Contracting Party shall notify the other of the completion of the constitutional procedures required for the entry into force

of this Convention. The Convention shall enter into force on the date when the last notification is received.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Convention.

DONE in duplicate at Paris on 25th October 1983 in the English and French languages, both texts being equally authoritative.