

Treaty on the Delimitation of the Maritime Frontier between the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and the Republic of Cape Verde(1)

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and the Government of the Republic of Cape Verde,

peoples,

Desiring to develop and strengthen the good neighbourly relations between their two countries,

Desiring to establish, through negotiations, the common maritime frontier separating the exclusive economic zone and the continental shelf of the two countries,

Taking into account the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 1982, to which the two States are Parties,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The two Parties shall establish, as the frontier in the overlapping maritime area separating the exclusive economic zone and the continental shelf of the two States, a median line the points of which are equidistant from the nearest points on the baselines of the two countries.

Article 2

The baselines referred to in the preceding article are the archipelagic baselines of the Republic of Cape Verde and the normal baselines of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania from which the breadth of the territorial sea of each Party is measured in conformity with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 1982.

Article 3

1. The line embodying the common maritime frontier between the two countries, and its geographical coordinates as defined in conformity with article 1, are indicated in annex I to this Treaty.

2. The two Parties have agreed to use, in their work, the United States map

“Operational Navigation Chart”, series ONC J-1, Lambert conformal conic projection, scale 1/1,000,000, prepared and published by the Defense Mapping Agency Aerospace Center, St. Louis, Missouri, revised edition of December 1979. They have used this map for drawing the line delimiting their common maritime frontier.

3. The map mentioned in the preceding paragraph has been authenticated by the signatories to this Treaty and appears in Annex I.

Article 4

The archipelagic lines of the Republic of Cape Verde and their geographical coordinates as defined in conformity with article 2 are indicated in annex II to this Treaty.

Article 5

The normal baselines of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania are defined by the low-water mark, as stated in annex III to this Treaty.

Article 6

The Parties shall agree to adopt as the common starting point of their common frontier line the southernmost point, designated as point H, the coordinates of which appear in annex I to this Treaty, which constitutes a tripartite frontier point (1.7, 213.7) (er 6 th

Article 10

This Treaty is drawn up in two originals, in Portuguese, French and Arabic, each text being equally authentic.

DONE at Praia on 19 September 2003.

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countries and the projection of the baseline of the maritime frontier mentioned above appear on the map included herewith.



Endnotes

1 (Note - Note)

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