STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 791

The Adjacent Waters Boundaries (Northern Ireland) Order 2002

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Adjacent Waters Boundaries (Northern Ireland) Order 2002.

(2) This Order shall come into force on the second day after the day on which it is made.

(3) In this Order "co-ordinate" means a co-ordinate on the Ordnance Survey of Great Britain 1936 Datum.

The territorial sea adjacent to Northern Ireland

2.—(1) For the purposes of the definition of "Northern Ireland" in section 98(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and for all other purposes of that Act, the part of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom which is to be treated as adjacent to Northern Ireland shall, subject to paragraph (2), be the part whose breadth is measured from baselines in Northern Ireland.

(2) Where any part of the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom whose breadth is measured from baselines in Northern Ireland falls outside the Northern Ireland zone, that part shall not be treated as adjacent to Northern Ireland for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (1).

The boundary of the Northern Ireland zone

3.—(1) For the purposes of the definition of "the Northern Ireland zone" in section 98(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, the part of the sea within British fishery limits which is to be treated as adjacent to Northern Ireland shall, subject to paragraph (2), be the part which is within limits measured from baselines in Northern Ireland.

(2) Any part of the sea within British fishery limits which is within limits measured from baselines in Northern Ireland but which is separated from Northern Ireland by the boundary described in paragraph (3) shall not be treated as adjacent to Northern Ireland for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (1).

(3) The boundary—

- (a) follows a loxodromic line joining the co-ordinates numbered 1 to 8 in the Schedule,
- (b) then follows the seaward limit of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to the Isle of Man to the point where it meets the seaward limit of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to Scotland,
- (c) then follows the seaward limit of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to Scotland to the co-ordinate numbered 9 in the Schedule,
- (d) then follows a loxodromic line joining the co-ordinates numbered 9 to 126 in the Schedule, and
- (e) then follows the seaward limit of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to Northern Ireland between the co-ordinates numbered 126 and 127 in the Schedule.

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