PROCLAMATION

No. 1 of 1993

MARITIME ZONE

IN THE NAME OF HER MAJESTY ELIZABETH II, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith,

BY DAVID EVERARD TATHAM ESQUIRE, COMPANION OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE, Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands,

WHEREAS there is a need to establish and to regulate activity in a maritime zone around South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands in accordance with the rules of international law.

NOW THEREFORE I, DAVID EVERARD TATHAM, acting in pursuance of instructions given by Her Majesty through a Secretary of State, do HEREBY PROCLAIM as follows:

1. There is established for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands a maritime zone having as its inner boundaries the outer limits of the territorial sea of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands and its seaward boundary a line drawn so that each point on the line is 200 nautical miles from the nearest point on the baselines defined, in the case of South Georgia, in Article 3(3) and (4) of and the Schedule to the South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands (Territorial Sea) Order 1989, and, in the case of the South Sandwich Islands, in Article 3(1) and (2) of that Order.

2. Any rights exercisable over the waters of the maritime zone and its seabed and subsoil, as well as the natural resources thereof (whether living or non-living), are hereby vested in Her Majesty.

3. In regard to the maritime zone, Her Majesty will exercise jurisdiction in accordance with the rules of international law over the exploration and exploitation and the conservation and management of the natural resources (whether living or non-living) and over the protection and preservation of the marine environment, subject to such provision as may hereafter be made by law for such matters.

4. This Proclamation becomes effective forthwith.

GIVEN under my hand and the Public Seal of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, this seventh day of May in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Three.

D. E. TATHAM,
Commissioner.

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