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THE LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION
SUB-COMMITTEE II

PROPOSAL BY UGANDA AND ZAMBIA

Draft Articles on the Proposed Economic Zone

Section I: Territorial Sea

Article I

1. The sovereignty of a State extends, beyond its land territory and its internal waters, to a belt of sea adjacent to its coast, described as the territorial sea.
2. This sovereignty is exercised subject to the provisions of these articles and other rules of international law.

Article 2

The sovereignty of a coastal State extends to the air space over the territorial sea as well as to its bed and sub-soil.

Article 3

1. The uniform outer limit of the territorial sea is the line every point of which is at a distance from the nearest point of the baseline equal to _____ nautical miles.
2. Where the coasts of two States are opposite or adjacent to each other and the distance between them is less than double the uniform breadth provided in this article, the limits of the territorial sea shall, failing agreement between them to the contrary, be the median line every point of which is equidistant from the nearest points or baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of each of the two States is measured. The provision of this paragraph shall not apply, however, where it is necessary by reason of historic title or other special circumstances to delimit the territorial seas of the two States in a way which is at variance with this provision.

Section II: Economic Zone

Article 4

1. Beyond the uniform limits of the territorial seas of coastal States, there shall be established economic zones, the outer limit of which shall be a line every point of which shall not exceed _____ nautical miles measured from the baselines, known as Regional or Sub-regional economic zones.
2. Fisheries within the Regional or Sub-regional economic zones shall be reserved for the exclusive use, exploration and exploitation by all the States within the relevant Region or Sub-region.
3. Relevant Regional or Sub-regional authorities shall have the exclusive right to explore, exploit and manage the non-living resources of the Regional or Sub-regional economic zones on behalf of all States in the Region or Sub-region.
4. The regulation and supervision of activities within such Regional or Sub-regional Economic Zones shall be the responsibility of the relevant Regional or Sub-regional commissions.
5. The provisions of the preceding paragraphs of this Article shall not affect the freedoms of navigation, overflight, and the laying of submarine cables and pipelines referred to in Article _____ which shall be applicable in the Regional or Sub-regional zones.

International Area

The area beyond Regional or Sub-regional economic zones shall be known as the International Area.

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