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Agreement between the Government of the French Republic and the Government of the Italian Republic on the Delimitation of the Maritime Boundaries in the Area of the Strait of Bonifacio,

28 November 1986

The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the Italian Republic,

Desiring to strengthen the ties of good-neighbbourliness and friendship between the two countries,

Aware of the need to delimit, precisely and equitably, the maritime spaces over which the two States exercise or shall exercise, respectively, their sovereignty or sovereign rights,

Relying on the rules and principles of international law applicable in this matter,

Considering the "Agreement between France and Italy of 18 January 1908 for the purpose of determining the exclusive fishing zones for French and Italian fishermen, respectively, in the waters between Corsica and Sardinia",

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The demarcation line between the territorial waters of the two States in the area of the Strait of Bonifacio shall be defined by the loxodromic curves joining the following points, in the order in which they are listed, whose co-ordinates shall be:

	Longitude E	Latitude N
Point 1	008° 48' 49,2"	41° 15′ 31,2″
Point 2	009° 08' 09,1"	41° 19' 09,0"
Point 3	009° 16′ 15,0″	41° 17′ 34,2″
Point 4	009° 19' 03,0"	41° 20′ 13,8″
Point 5	009° 27' 03,6"	41° 24' 27,0"
Point 6	009° 37' 54,0"	41° 26′ 04,8″

- 2. The geographical co-ordinates indicated in this article are expressed in the compensated European geodesic system (Europe 50).
 - 3. The line defined in paragraph 1 is indicated on the map annexed to this Agreement.

Article 2

1. For the purpose of ensuring that this Agreement shall not interfere with the established fishing practices of the professional fishermen of the two countries, the Parties hereby agree, by way of neighbourly arrangement, to allow French and Italian coastal fishing vessels to continue their activities in the traditional fishing areas located within a zone defined as follows:

In the north, by the 41° 20' 40" parallel; In the west, by the 9° meridian; In the east, by the 9° 6' meridian; In the south, by the 4° 16' 20" parallel.

2. The zone defined in paragraph 1 is indicated on the map referred to in article 1 above.

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Article 3

1. The alignment of points 2 and 3 shall be marked in Italian territory by the two white-painted stonework pillars constructed pursuant to the Agreement of 18 January 1908, as follows:

A pillar eight metres high, erected on the site of the triangulation marker at Guardia del Turco;

A pillar 10 metres high, erected on the rocks of the southern tip of Budelli Island.

2. The alignment of points 3 and 4 shall be marked in Italian territory by the two white-painted stonework pillars constructed pursuant to the Agreement of 18 January 1908, as follows:

A pillar 10 metres high, erected on the rock 500 metres in front of the Contro di li Scala signal station;

A pillar 12 metres high, erected on the shore near Punta Marmorata.

Article 4

Each of the Parties shall notify the other of the completion of the constitutional procedures required for the entry into force of this Agreement. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the later notification.

The "Agreement between France and Italy of 18 January 1908 for the purpose of determining the exclusive fishing zones for French and Italian fishermen, respectively, in waters between Corsica and Sardinia" shall be abrogated as of that date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized for this purpose, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Paris on 28 November 1986, in duplicate, in the French and Italian languages, both texts being equally authentic.