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## ON THE BANGSAMORO WATERS AND ZONES OF JOINT COOPERATION ADDENDUM TO THE ANNEX ON REVENUE GENERATION AND WEALTH SHARING AND THE ANNEX ON POWER SHARING

- 1. The Bangsamoro Waters shall extend up to 22.224 kilometers (12 nautical miles) from the low-water mark of the coasts that are part of the Bangsamoro territory. The Bangsamoro Waters shall be part of the territorial jurisdiction of the Bangsamoro political entity.
- 2. Where a constituent local government unit of the Bangsamoro and an adjoining local government unit are so situated on the opposite shores such that there is thirty (30) kilometers of waters or less between them, a line equally distant from the opposite shores shall be drawn to demarcate the Bangsamoro Waters and the municipal waters of the adjoining local government unit.

Should they be so situated that there is more than thirty (30) kilometers but less than 37.224 kilometers of waters between them, a line shall be drawn at the edge of the 15 kilometers municipal waters of the adjoining local government unit to demarcate it from the Bangsamoro Waters.

- 3. There shall be Zones of Joint Cooperation in the Sulu Sea and the Moro Gulf for the purpose of a) protection of traditional fishing grounds, b) benefitting from the resources, and c) interconnectivity of the islands and the mainland parts of a cohesive Bangsamoro political entity; provided that the zones do not include the Bangsamoro Waters and the municipal waters of all adjoining local government units.
- 4. The specific coordinates delineating the Bangsamoro Waters and the Zones of Joint Cooperation shall be determined in the Bangsamoro Basic Law. The map attached shall serve as the guide in mapping out the specific coordinates.
- 5. There shall be free movement of vessels, goods, and people in the Zones of Joint Cooperation.
- 6. There shall be created a Joint Body for the Zones of Joint Cooperation composed of representatives of the Bangsamoro Government and Central Government. The Bangsamoro Government and the Central Government shall ensure the participation of concerned local government units (LGUs).

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This body shall ensure the cooperation and coordination of appropriate agencies for fisheries and marine development and environmental protection, and enhance the movement of vessels, goods, and people in the Zones of Joint Cooperation.

- 7. The intergovernmental relations mechanism shall ensure the cooperation and coordination between the Central Government and the Bangsamoro Government on the exploration, development and utilization of non-living resources in the Zones of Joint Cooperation and determine the sharing of income and revenues derived therefrom.
- 8. Transportation plying direct routes connecting the islands in Sulu, Basilan, Tawi-Tawi and/or the mainland parts of the Bangsamoro and passing through the Zones of Joint Cooperation shall be considered intra-regional routes.
- 9. The Bangsamoro people, other indigenous peoples in the adjoining provinces, and the resident fishers in the Bangsamoro shall have preferential rights over fishery, aquamarine, and other living resources in the Zones of Joint Cooperation.
- 10. Ten years after the signing of the comprehensive agreement on the Bangsamoro, the Central Government and the Bangsamoro Government shall discuss the enhancement of the area of the Bangsamoro Waters, through the necessary processes and modalities.

Done this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

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