We Beatrix, by the grace of God Queen of the Netherlands, Princess of Orange Nassau, etc., etc., etc.

On the recommendation of Our Minister for Foreign Affairs of 25 October 1999, no. DJZ/BR/ 1922-99, with the support of the State Secretary for Transport, Public Works and Water Management;

Having regard to sections 2 and 4 of the Kingdom Act establishing an exclusive economic zone;

Having heard the Council of State (report No. W02.99.0535/II of 21 December 1999);

Having seen the further report of Our Minister for Foreign Affairs of 2 March 2000, no. DJZ/BR/0278-00, with the support of the State Secretary for Transport, Public Works and Water Management;

Have approved and decreed as We hereby approve and decree:

**Article 1**

The outer limits of the exclusive economic zone of the Netherlands shall coincide with:

(a) The outer limits of the Netherlands' territorial sea as referred to in section 1, subsection 1, of the Territorial Sea of the Netherlands (Demarcation) Act; and

(b) The outer limits of the Netherlands' portion of the continental shelf.

**Article 2**

1. The Exclusive Economic Zone (Establishment) Act shall enter into force for the Netherlands with effect from the date of the entry into force of this Decree.

2. This Decree shall enter into force with effect from the day after the date of publication of the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees containing this Decree.

**Article 3**

This Decree may be cited as the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Netherlands (Outer Limits) Decree.

We order and command that this Decree and the explanatory memorandum pertaining to it shall be published in the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees (Staatsblad).

The Hague, 13 March 2000

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J.J. van Aartsen
Minister for Foreign Affairs

J.M. de Vries
State Secretary for Transport, Public Works and Water Management

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A.H. Korthals
Minister of Justice
Endnotes

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