

Resolution No 1597 of 6 December 2004

on the Approval of the Limits of the Territorial Sea, Contiguous Zone, Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf of the Republic of Lithuania and the Assignment to Ministries and Government Institutions to Prepare the Required Legal Acts¹

Vilnius

In conformity with the universally recognized rules and principles of the international law of the sea, embodied in the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (Valstybės Žinios (Official Gazette) No 107-4786, 2003), and with a view to exercising its sovereignty over the territorial sea and sovereign rights over the contiguous zone, the exclusive economic zone and the continental shelf, the Government of the Republic of Lithuania has resolved:

1. To establish within the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84):
 - 1.1. the coordinates of turning points (Annex 1) of the limits of the territorial sea of the Republic of Lithuania (Annex 4), which are drawn in straight lines (loxodromes);
 - 1.2. the coordinates of turning points (Annex 2) of the coincident boundaries of the exclusive economic zone and continental shelf of the Republic of Lithuania (Annex 4), which are drawn in straight lines (loxodromes);
 - 1.3. the coordinates of turning points (Annex 3) of the limit of the contiguous zone of the Republic of Lithuania (Annex 4), which is drawn in straight lines (loxodromes).
2. To assign the below mentioned ministries to determine the need of and, where appropriate, to prepare the laws and regulations necessary to comply with the international rules to the contiguous zone, the exclusive economic zone and the continental shelf of the Republic of Lithuania as provided for in the international treaties of the Republic of Lithuania and to create a uniform legal system, covering the infringement prevention and the civil or criminal liability, before 31 March 2005:
 - 2.1. Ministry of Environment – in respect of the construction and operation of installations and cables or pipelines at sea, the conservation of living marine resources, the prospecting, exploration for, and exploitation of resources, the preservation of the marine environment, the prevention and reduction of pollution, the dumping of wastes and other matter within the exclusive economic zone and on the continental shelf;
 - 2.2. Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Education and Science – in respect of marine scientific research in the exclusive economic zone;
 - 2.3. Ministry of National Defence and Ministry of the Interior – in respect of salvage operations, the right of hot pursuit;
 - 2.4. Ministry of Culture – in respect of the protection of cultural heritage, unauthorized broadcasting (the transmission of sound radio or television broadcasts for the general public) in the exclusive economic zone;
 - 2.5. Ministry of Transport and Communications – in respect of the safety of overflight and navigation, the regulation of maritime traffic, the protection of navigational aids;
 - 2.6. Ministry of Transport and Communications, National Land Service under the Ministry of Agriculture – in respect of hydrographic survey activities;
 - 2.7. Ministry of Health – in respect of the prevention of sanitary regulations infringement in the contiguous zone;
 - 2.8. Ministry of Agriculture – in respect of fishing activities in the exclusive economic zone.
3. To acknowledge the termination in force of the Government Resolution No 1292 of 30 October 2000 on the approval of coastal points of the Baltic Sea for determining the limits of the territorial sea of the Republic of Lithuania (Valstybės Žinios (Official Gazette) No 2000, No 94-2938).

¹ Source: http://www.lrv.lt/main_en.php. The lists of geographical coordinates of points as contained in the annexes to the Resolution were deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea through a note verbale dated 8 March 2006 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania.

4. This Resolution shall remain in force until the adoption of relevant laws on the limits of the territorial sea, the contiguous zone, the exclusive economic zone and the continental shelf of the Republic of Lithuania.

Acting Prime Minister Algirdas Brazauskas

Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs Antanas Valionis

(a) Annex 1 to Resolution No 1597 of 6 December 2004 of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania

The Coordinates of Turning Points of the Limits of the Territorial Sea of the Republic of Lithuania

Table 1
The normal baseline along the coast of the Baltic Sea
(The inner limit of the territorial sea)

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
1	56° 04, 148'	21° 03, 858'
2	55° 55, 246'	21° 02, 689'
3	55° 43, 631'	21° 04, 562'
4	55° 37, 780'	21° 06, 398'
5	55° 32, 545'	21° 05, 913'
6	55° 23, 165'	21° 02, 078'
7	55° 16, 850'	20° 57, 223'

Table 2
The state boundary with the Russian Federation
(The southern limit of the territorial sea)

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
7	55° 16, 850'	20° 57, 223'
14	55° 23, 040'	20° 39, 227'

Table 3
The state boundary with the Republic of Latvia
(The northern limit of the territorial sea)

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
1	56° 04, 148'	21° 03, 858'
8	56° 02, 725'	20° 42, 583'

Table 4
The outer limit of the territorial sea (The state -boundary)

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
8	56° 02, 725'	20° 42, 583'
9	55° 54, 934'	20° 41, 361'
10	55° 43, 507'	20° 43, 333'
11	55° 38, 142'	20° 45, 228'
12	55° 33, 896'	20° 44, 911'
13	55° 27, 330'	20° 42, 325'
14	55° 23, 040'	20° 39, 227'

(b) Annex 2 to Resolution No 1597 of 6 December 2004
of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania

The Coordinates of Turning Points of the Coincident Boundaries of the Exclusive Economic Zone
and Continental Shelf of the Republic of Lithuania

Table 1
The boundary of the exclusive economic zone and continental shelf
between the Republic of Lithuania and the Russian Federation

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
14	55° 23, 040'	20° 39, 227'
22	55° 38, 175'	19° 55, 466'
23	55° 55, 420'	19° 02, 805'
24	55° 55, 921'	19° 01, 268'

Table 2
The boundary of the exclusive economic zone and continental shelf
between the Republic of Lithuania and the Kingdom of Sweden

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
24	55° 55, 921'	19° 01, 268'
25	55° 57, 300'	19° 03, 983'
26	55° 58, 867'	19° 04, 817'
27	56° 02, 433'	19° 05, 600'
28	56° 02, 725'	19° 05, 783'

Table 3
The boundary of the exclusive economic zone and continental shelf
between the Republic of Lithuania and the Republic of Latvia

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
8	56° 02, 725'	20° 42, 583'
28	56° 02, 725'	19° 05, 783'

(c) Annex 3 to Resolution No 1597 of 6 December 2004 of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania

The Coordinates of Turning Points of the Limit of the Contiguous Zone
of the Republic of Lithuania

Point No	Geographical coordinates of points	
	Latitude North	Longitude East
15	56° 02, 504'	20° 21, 152'
16	55° 54, 560'	20° 20, 040'
17	55° 43, 321'	20° 22, 107'
18	55° 38, 443'	20° 24, 052'
19	55° 35, 188'	20° 23, 885'
20	55° 31, 443'	20° 22, 504'
21	55° 29, 486'	20° 21, 371'

(d) Annex 4 to Resolution No 1597 of 6 December 2004 of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania

