
WHEREAS, the treaty set the permanent boundary of the Economic Zone or fishing zone between the Federated States of Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea; and

WHEREAS, the Exclusive Economic Zone or fishing zone means the area over which each party has sovereign rights for the purpose of the exploring and exploiting, conserving and managing the natural resources, whether living or non-living, of the waters within the area not exceeding 200 nautical miles from the appropriate base line in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; and

WHEREAS, the 200 nautical mile Exclusive Economic Zone or fishing zone of each party overlaps the other party's zone; and

WHEREAS, the annexes which are integral parts of the treaty set the equitable median lines of the Exclusive Economic Zones or fishing zones of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 1991, that pursuant to section 4 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Congress hereby ratifies the treaty on maritime boundaries between the Federated States of Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea signed on July 29, 1991; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of this resolution the Secretary of External Affairs shall, when appropriate,
pursuant to article 9 of the treaty, exchange with the
Independent State of Papua New Guinea instruments of
ratification; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
States of Micronesia.

Date: 8/14/81

Introduced by: Joseph J. Musemal
(by request)