# TREATY BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND GRENADA ON THE DELIMITATION OF MARINE AND SUBMARINE AREAS

The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Grenada, hereinafter referred to singly as a "*Contracting Party*" and collectively as the "*Contracting Parties*":

**Convinced** that the establishment of a single maritime boundary will encourage and promote the wise use of the living and non-living natural resources of the Continental Shelf and the Exclusive Economic Zone and enhance the protection and preservation of the marine environment and the conduct of marine scientific and technological research in marine areas adjacent to the two countries for the mutual benefit of the Contracting Parties and their peoples;

**Taking into account** Articles 74 (1) and 83 (1) of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10<sup>th</sup> December, 1982, which entered into force on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1994 and which is binding on the Contracting Parties;

**Resolving** in a true spirit of strengthened cooperation and friendship, born of their common history and shared membership in the Caribbean Community, to settle permanently as good neighbours, through the establishment of a precise and equitable maritime boundary between the two States, the limits of the marine and submarine areas within which each Contracting Party exercises sovereign rights and jurisdiction in accordance with international law:

Have agreed as follows:

# **ARTICLE I**

## **Applicable Maritime Zones**

The maritime boundary in the Caribbean Sea between the Contracting Parties referred to in this Treaty is the single maritime boundary delimiting their respective continental shelves and exclusive economic zones which have been established by the Contracting Parties in accordance with international law.

#### **ARTICLE II**

## **Delimitation Line**

The delimitation line with respect to the marine and submarine areas in the Caribbean Sea is as follows:

From point TTG1 whose geographic coordinates are 11° 23' 31" N and 61° 43' 56" W to point TTG2 whose coordinates are 11° 59' 03" N and 60° 54' 38" W and thence along a geodetic azimuth of 58° 28' 36" until it meets the jurisdiction of a third state.

# **ARTICLE III**

## **Geodetic Datum**

- 1. The geographic coordinates of the afore-mentioned points have been defined on the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS-84).
- 2. The delimitation line and points indicated in Article II have been drawn solely for illustrative purposes on the Map accepted by the Contracting Parties and annexed to this Treaty.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

# Restriction on Exercise of Sovereign Rights and Jurisdiction

Neither Contracting Party shall, for any purpose, claim or exercise sovereign rights or jurisdiction over the superjacent waters, seabed and subsoil of the marine and submarine areas appertaining to the other Contracting Party by virtue of the delimitation of the continental shelf and exclusive economic zone established in this Treaty.

#### **ARTICLE V**

# Protection of the Marine Environment and Management of the Living Resources

- 1. The Contracting Parties shall adopt all necessary measures for the protection and preservation of the marine environment and for the conservation and management of the living resources, in accordance with international law, in the marine areas referred to in this Treaty.
- 2. The Contracting Parties, accordingly, agree to share information on:
  - (a) their respective legal regimes for the preservation and protection of the marine environment and for the prevention, reduction and control of pollution;
  - (b) research on fish stocks occurring within their exclusive economic zones; and
  - (c) safety of navigation and the regulation of marine traffic.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

## Cooperation

Subject to the elaboration of specific implementing agreements and without prejudice to the right of each Contracting Party to adopt, within its maritime jurisdiction, such rules and regulations as it deems appropriate, the Contracting Parties may cooperate with each other in areas of common interest, including:

- (a) exploration for and exploitation of the non-living natural resources;
- (b) management of the use of living natural resources;
- (c) protection and preservation of the marine environment;
- (d) surveillance, monitoring and enforcement of laws in accordance with the laws of each Contracting Party and in conformity with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; and
- (e) the conduct of marine scientific research.

## **ARTICLE VII**

## **Unitization of Deposits**

If any single oil or gas structure or field or any other mineral deposit extends across the delimitation line established in Article II and the part of such structure, field or deposit which is situated on one side of the line is exploitable, wholly or in part, from the other side of the line, the Contracting Parties shall, after holding the appropriate technical consultations, make every effort to reach agreement on the manner in which any such structure, field or deposit shall be most effectively exploited and on the equitable sharing of the costs and benefits arising from such exploitation.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

# **Notification of Exploration or Exploitation Activities**

In cases where either Contracting Party decides to carry out or to permit drilling activities for exploration or exploitation in areas five hundred metres (500m) from the delimitation line, such activities shall be notified in advance to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic channels.

## **ARTICLE IX**

## **Settlement of Disputes**

Any dispute arising between the Contracting Parties concerning the interpretation or application of this Treaty shall be resolved by peaceful means in accordance with international law.

#### **ARTICLE X**

## **Entry into Force**

This Treaty shall be subject to ratification and shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

## **ARTICLE XI**

## Registration

Upon its entry into force, the present Treaty shall be registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Treaty.

**Done** in the City of Port of Spain, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of the month of April, Two Thousand and Ten in two originals in the English language.

For the Government of the

Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

For the Government of

Grenada

**Patrick Manning** 

**Prime Minister** 

**Tillman Thomas** 

**Prime Minister** 

