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between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Government of the United States of America

on the Delimitation in the Caribbean of a
Maritime Boundary Relating to
Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands
and the British Virgin Islands

London, 5 November 1993

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by Command of Her Majesty
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TREATY
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ON THE DELIMITATION IN THE CARIBBEAN OF A MARITIME
BOUNDARY RELATING TO PUERTO RICO/U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS AND
THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America (hereinafter the "Parties");

Recalling the tradition of co-operative relations and close ties between the people of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the people of the United States of America;

Desiring to establish a maritime boundary between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (British Virgin Islands) and the United States of America (Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) in the Caribbean on the basis of equidistance;

Taking note of the *Reciprocal Fisheries Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America*, signed on 27 March, 1979¹;

Have agreed as follows

ARTICLE I

The purpose of this Treaty is to establish, in accordance with international law, the maritime boundary between the United States of America (Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (British Virgin Islands).

ARTICLE II

(1) The maritime boundary between the United States of America (Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (British Virgin Islands) in the Caribbean is determined by geodetic lines connecting points 1-50, as specified in the Annex to this Treaty.

(2) The geodetic and computational bases used are the North American Datum 1983 ("NAD 83"). For the purpose of illustration only, the boundary line has been drawn on the map annexed to this Treaty.

ARTICLE III

On the side of the maritime boundary adjacent to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (British Virgin Islands), the United States shall not, and on the side of the maritime boundary adjacent to the United States of America (Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands), the United Kingdom shall not, claim or exercise for any purpose sovereignty, sovereign rights, or jurisdiction with respect to the waters or seabed or subsoil.

ARTICLE IV

The maritime boundary established by this Treaty shall not affect or prejudice in any manner either Party's position with respect to the rules of international law relating to the law of the sea, including those concerned with the exercise of sovereignty, sovereign rights, or jurisdiction with respect to the waters or seabed and subsoil.

¹Treaty Series No. 32 (1983), Cmnd.8932.

ARTICLE V

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

In witness whereof, the undersigned, being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed this Treaty.

Done in duplicate at London this Fifth day of November 1993.

For the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland:

For the Government of
the United States of America

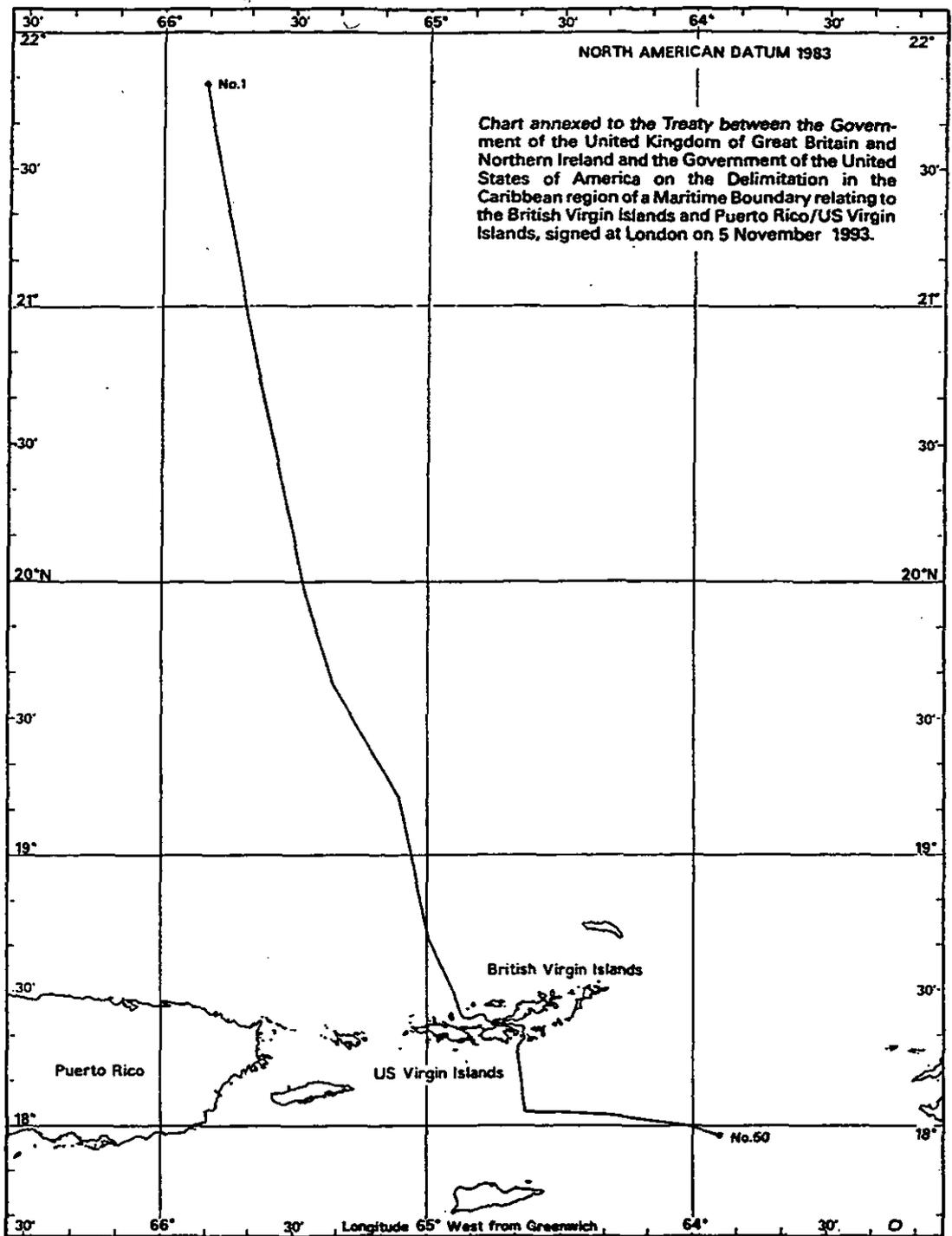
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ANNEX

The maritime boundary positions set forth in this Annex are on the North American Datum 1983 ("NAD 83"). The maritime boundary between the United States of America (Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (British Virgin Islands) is defined by connecting the following geographic co-ordinates by geodetic lines:

<i>No.</i>	<i>North Latitude</i>	<i>West Longitude</i>
1.	21° 48' 33"	65° 50' 31"
2.	21° 41' 20"	65° 49' 13"
3.	20° 58' 05"	65° 40' 30"
4.	20° 46' 56"	65° 38' 14"
5.	19° 57' 29"	65° 27' 21"
6.	19° 37' 29"	65° 20' 57"
7.	19° 12' 25"	65° 06' 08"
8.	18° 45' 14"	65° 00' 22"
9.	18° 41' 14"	64° 59' 33"
10.	18° 29' 22"	64° 53' 50"
11.	18° 27' 36"	64° 53' 22"
12.	18° 25' 22"	64° 52' 39"
13.	18° 24' 31"	64° 52' 19"
14.	18° 23' 51"	64° 51' 50"
15.	18° 23' 43"	64° 51' 23"
16.	18° 23' 37"	64° 50' 18"
17.	18° 23' 48"	64° 49' 42"
18.	18° 24' 11"	64° 49' 01"
19.	18° 24' 29"	64° 47' 57"
20.	18° 24' 18"	64° 47' 00"
21.	18° 23' 14"	64° 46' 37"
22.	18° 22' 38"	64° 45' 21"
23.	18° 22' 40"	64° 44' 42"
24.	18° 22' 42"	64° 44' 36"
25.	18° 22' 37"	64° 44' 24"
26.	18° 22' 40"	64° 43' 42"
27.	18° 22' 30"	64° 43' 36"
28.	18° 22' 25"	64° 42' 58"
29.	18° 22' 27"	64° 42' 28"
30.	18° 22' 16"	64° 42' 03"
31.	18° 22' 23"	64° 40' 59"
32.	18° 21' 58"	64° 40' 15"
33.	18° 21' 51"	64° 38' 22"
34.	18° 21' 22"	64° 38' 16"
35.	18° 20' 39"	64° 38' 32"
36.	18° 19' 16"	64° 38' 13"
37.	18° 19' 07"	64° 38' 16"
38.	18° 17' 24"	64° 39' 37"
39.	18° 16' 43"	64° 39' 41"
40.	18° 11' 34"	64° 38' 58"
41.	18° 03' 03"	64° 38' 03"
42.	18° 02' 57"	64° 29' 35"
43.	18° 02' 52"	64° 27' 03"
44.	18° 02' 30"	64° 21' 08"
45.	18° 02' 31"	64° 20' 08"
46.	18° 02' 01"	64° 15' 39"
47.	18° 00' 12"	64° 02' 29"
48.	17° 59' 58"	64° 01' 02"
49.	17° 58' 47"	63° 57' 00"
50.	17° 57' 51"	63° 53' 53"





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