

MARITIME SECURITY ISSUES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

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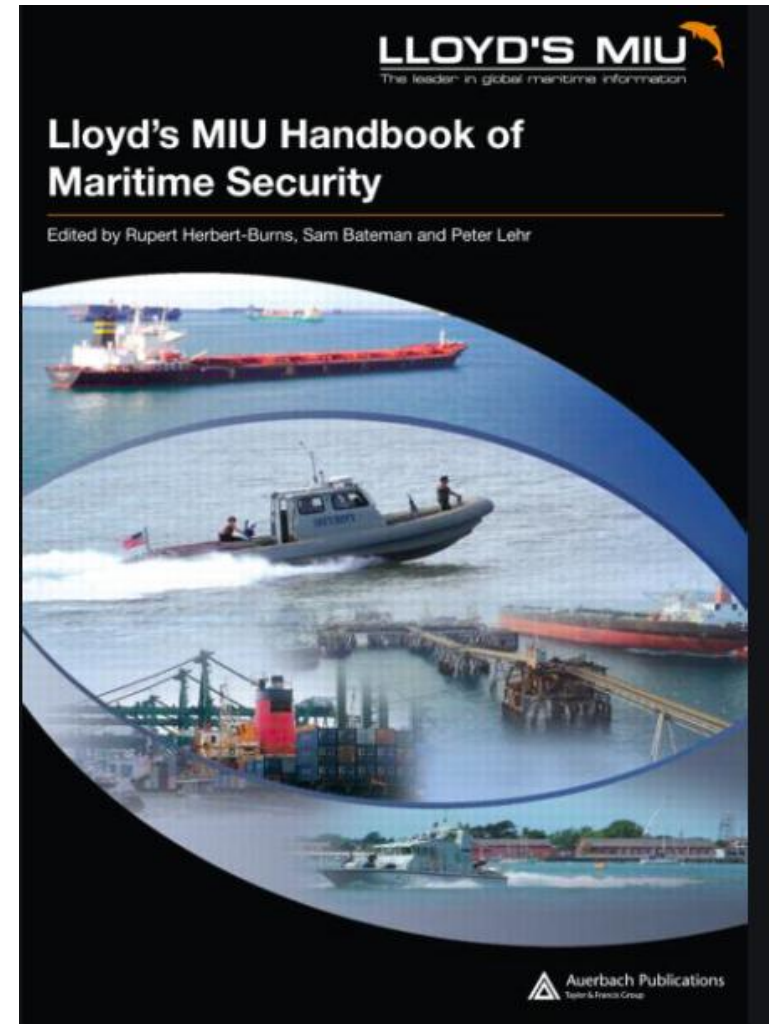
WHAT IS MARITIME SECURITY?

- **No clear cut definitions**

- Geopolitical concept (national security, sea-power)
- Economic concept (blue economy)
- Ecological concept (marine environmental protection)
- Law enforcement concept (combatting transnational organized crimes at sea, search and rescue operations)
- Navigational concept (safety of SLOCs)
- Human development concept (human security at sea)

WHAT IS MARITIME SECURITY?

- **Realist Perspective**
Traditional Security
- **Liberalist Perspective**
Non-traditional Security
- **Constructivist Perspective**
What states make of it



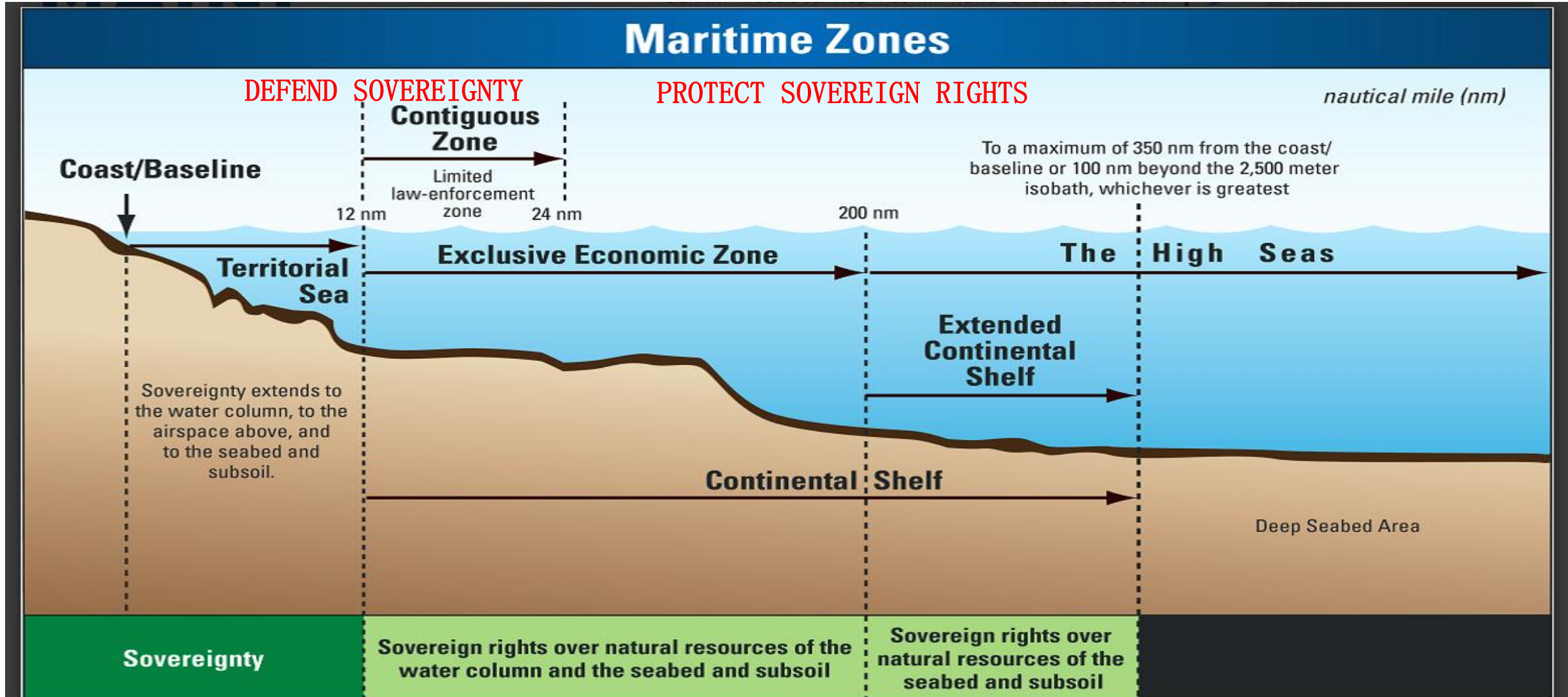
MARITIME SECURITY IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

- Sovereignty and territorial issues
- Maritime zones and boundaries issues
- Navigational issues
- Economic development issues
- Environmental issues
- Military and law enforcement issues

SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL ISSUES



MARITIME ZONES AND BOUNDARIES ISSUES



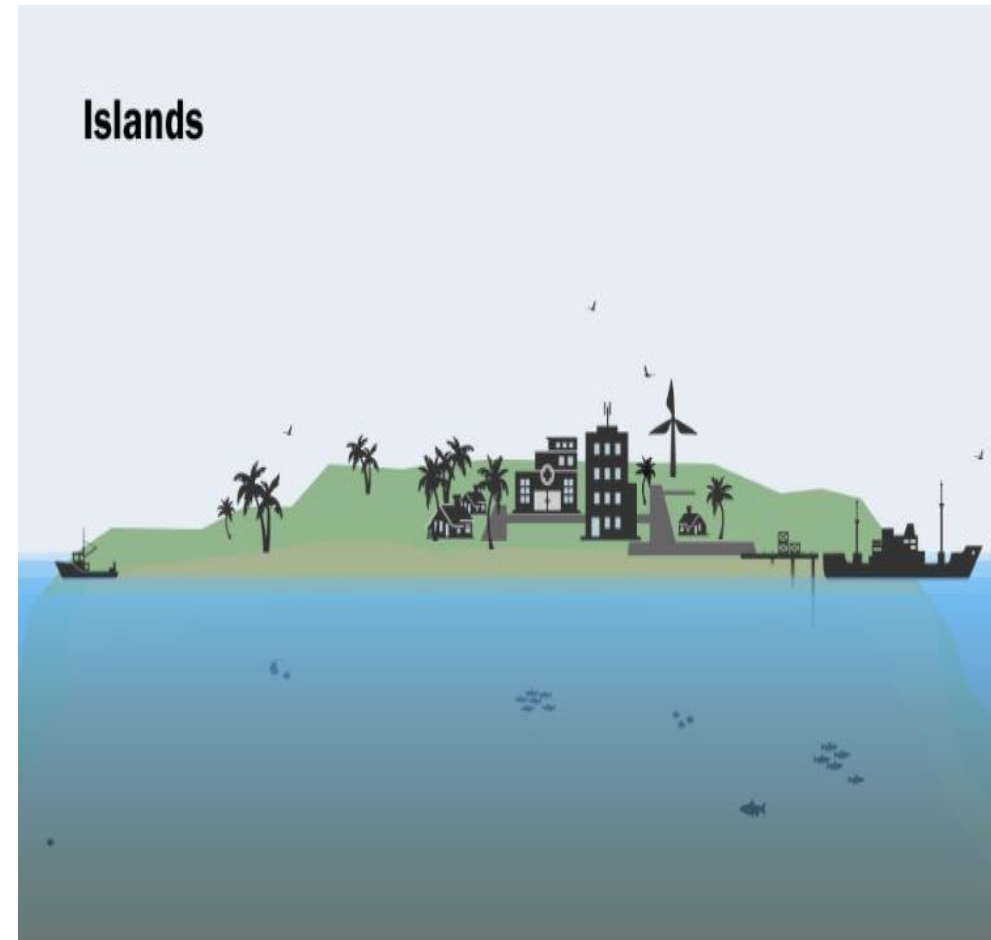
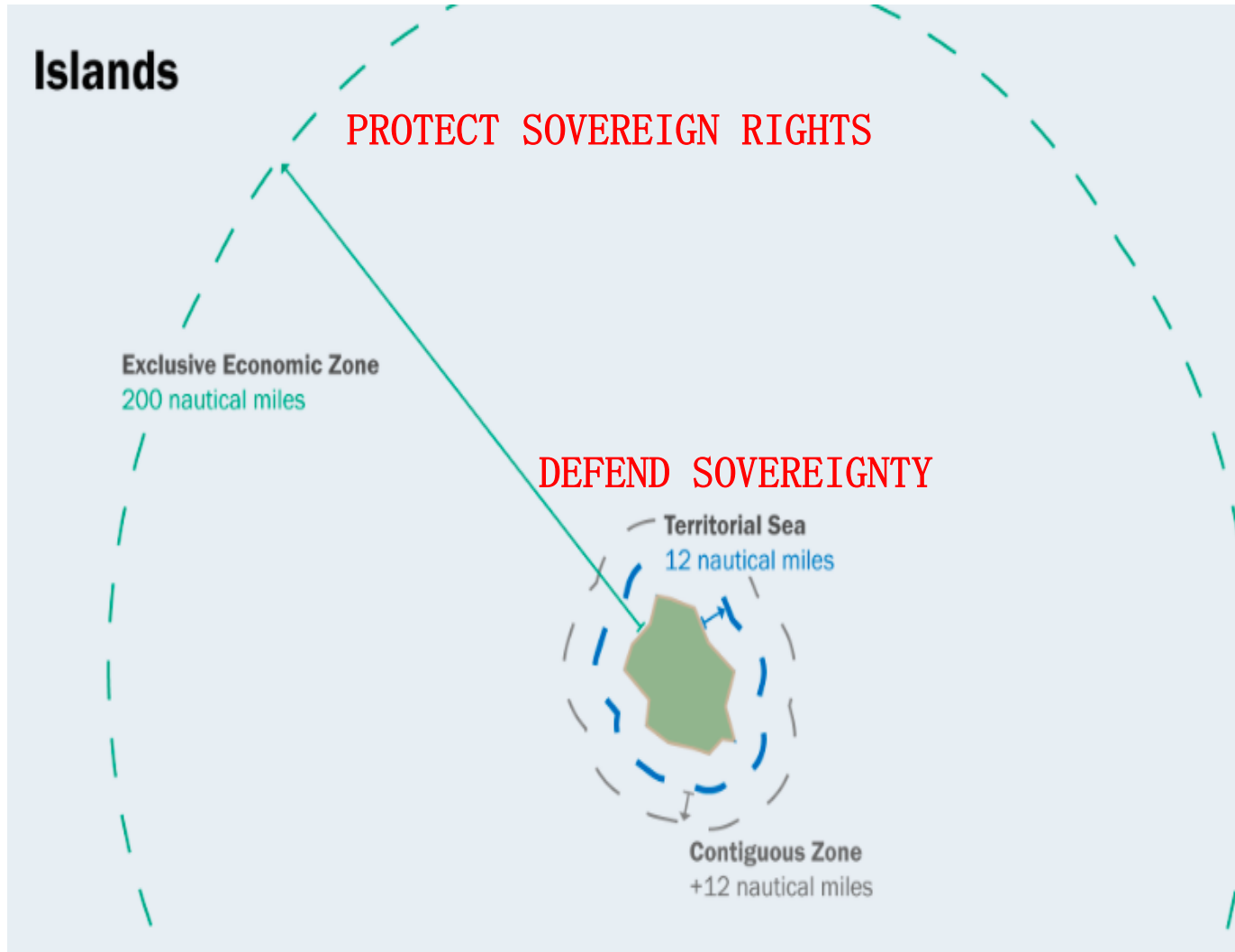
MARITIME ZONES AND BOUNDARIES ISSUES

DEFEND SOVEREIGNTY

PROTECT SOVEREIGN RIGHTS



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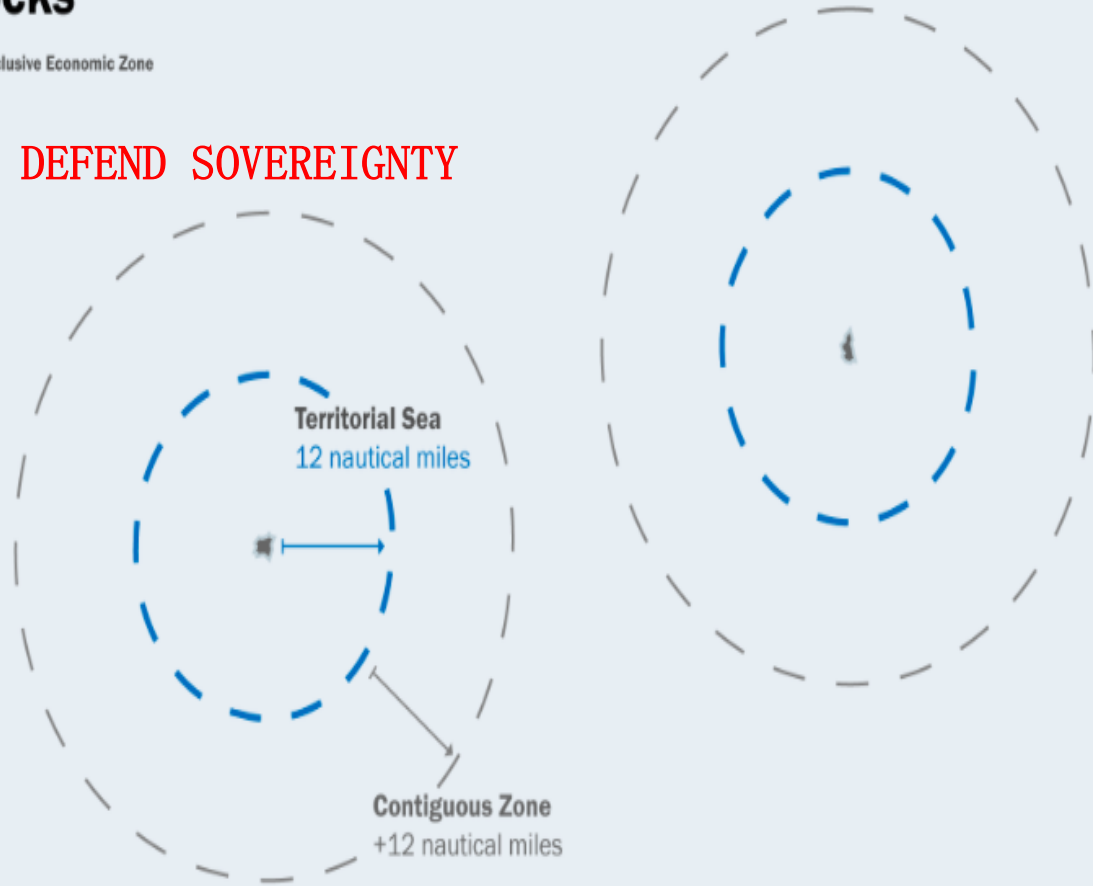


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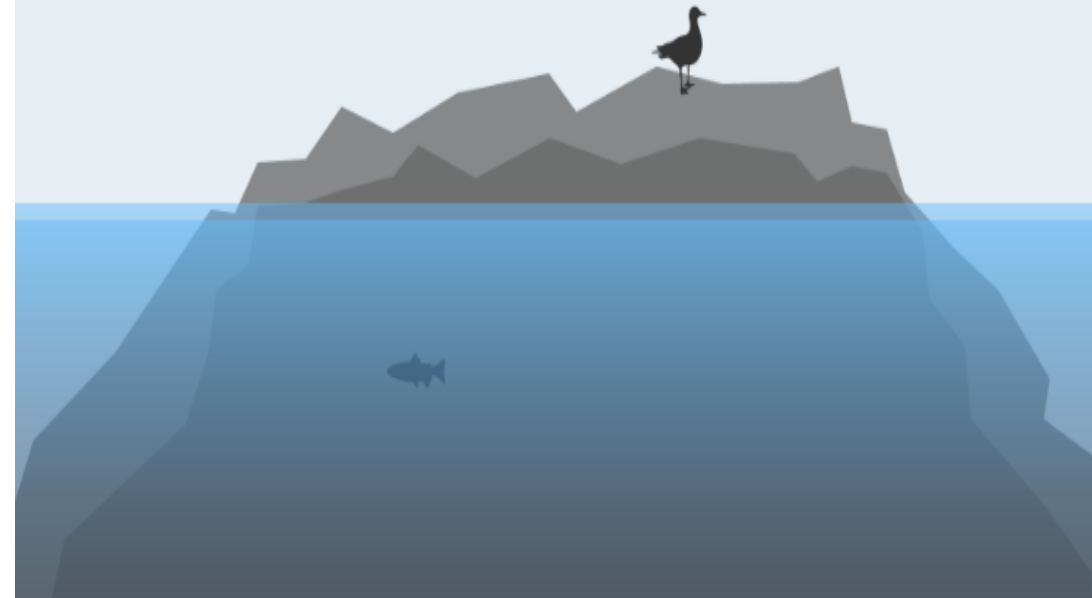
Rocks

*No Exclusive Economic Zone

DEFEND SOVEREIGNTY

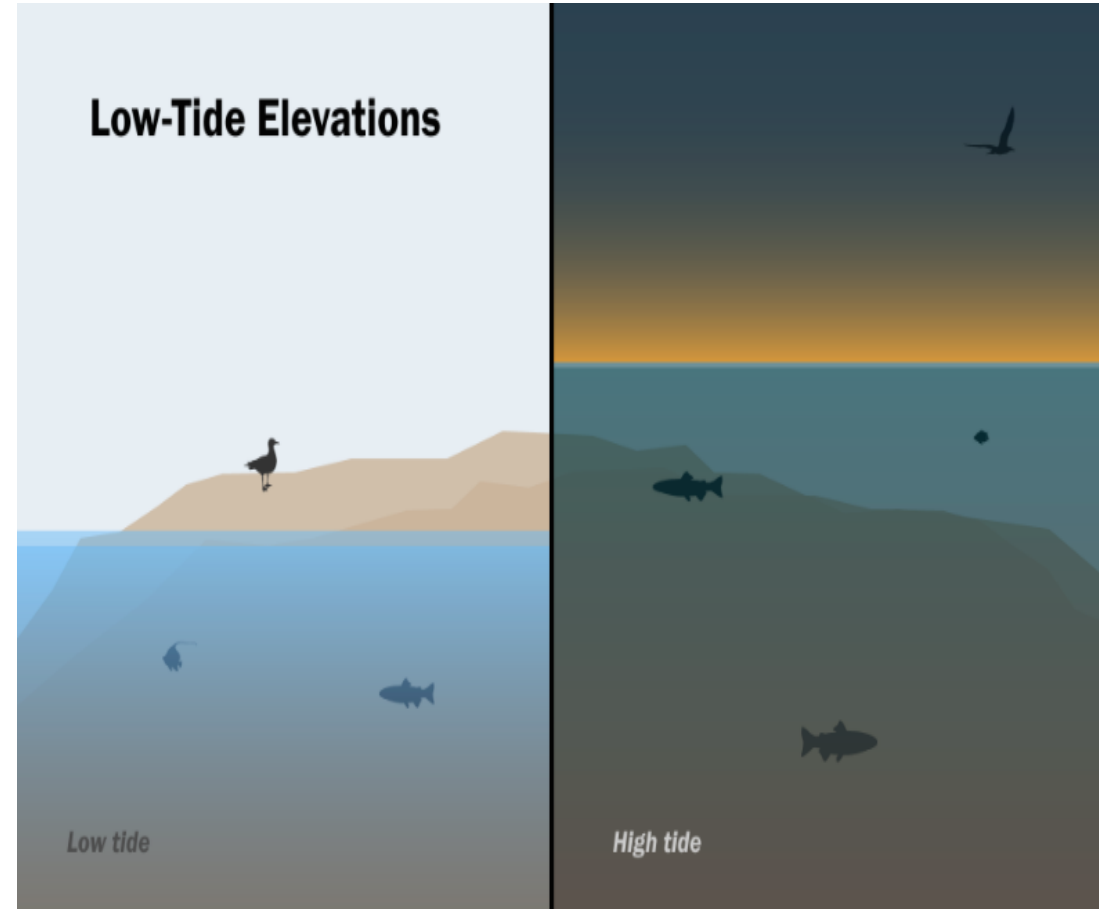
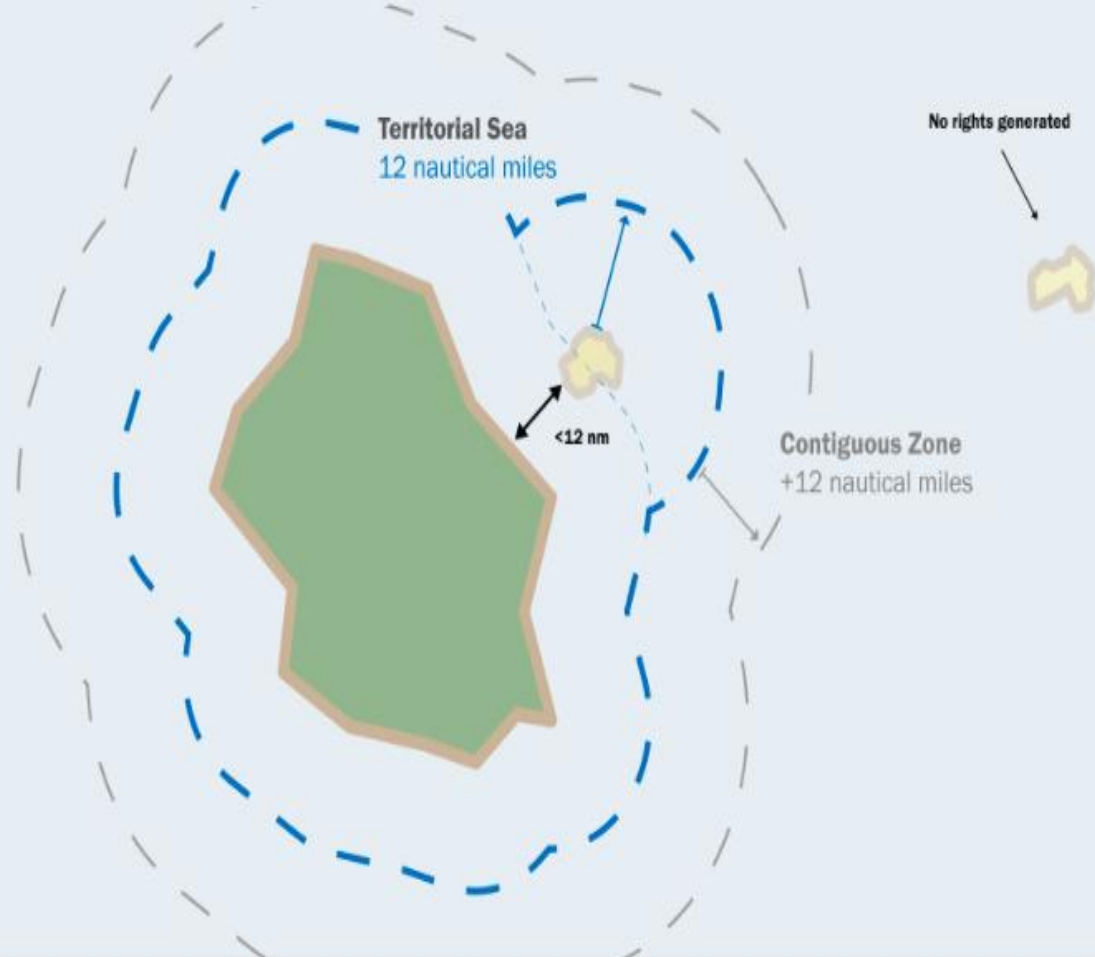


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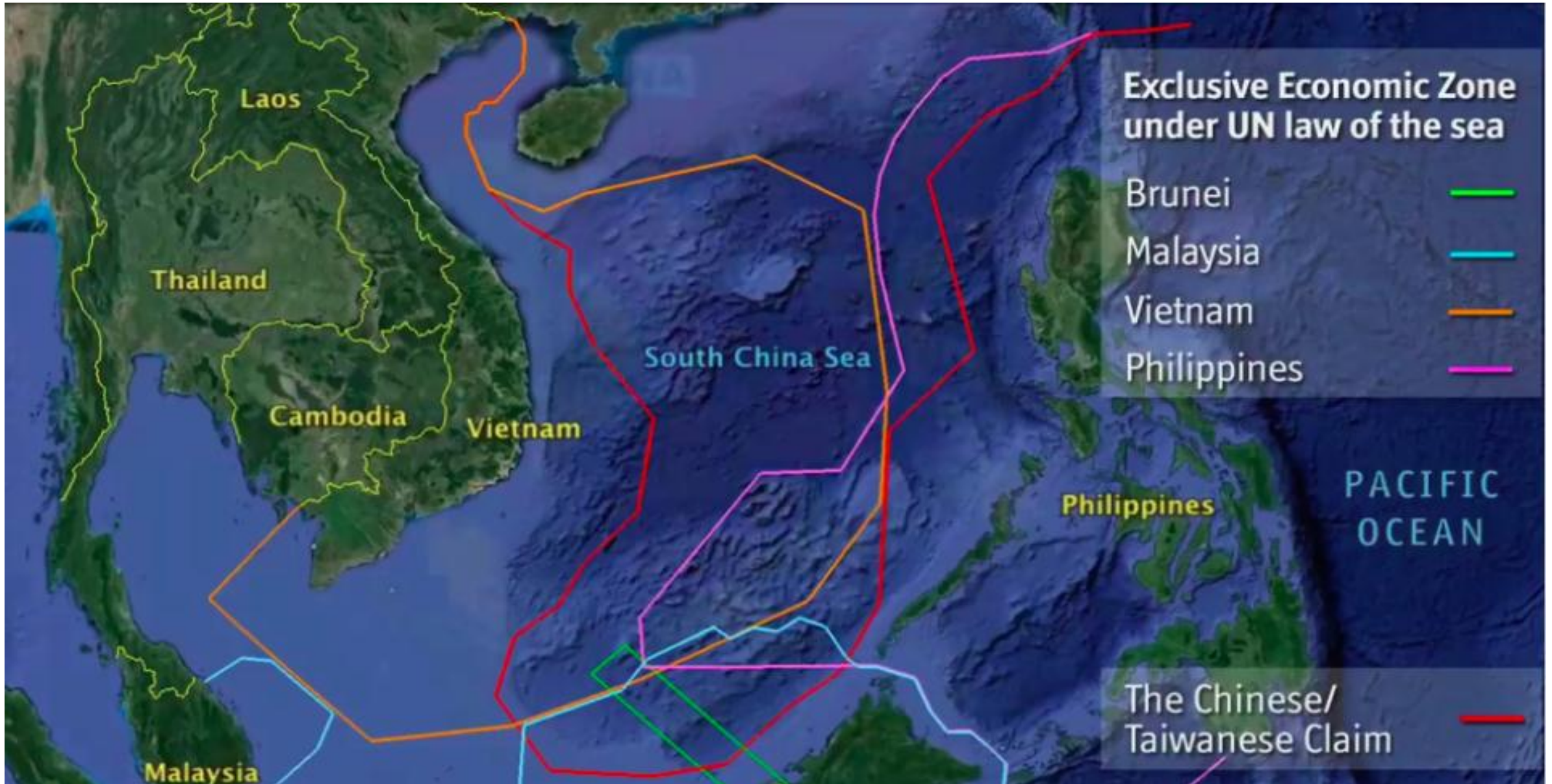


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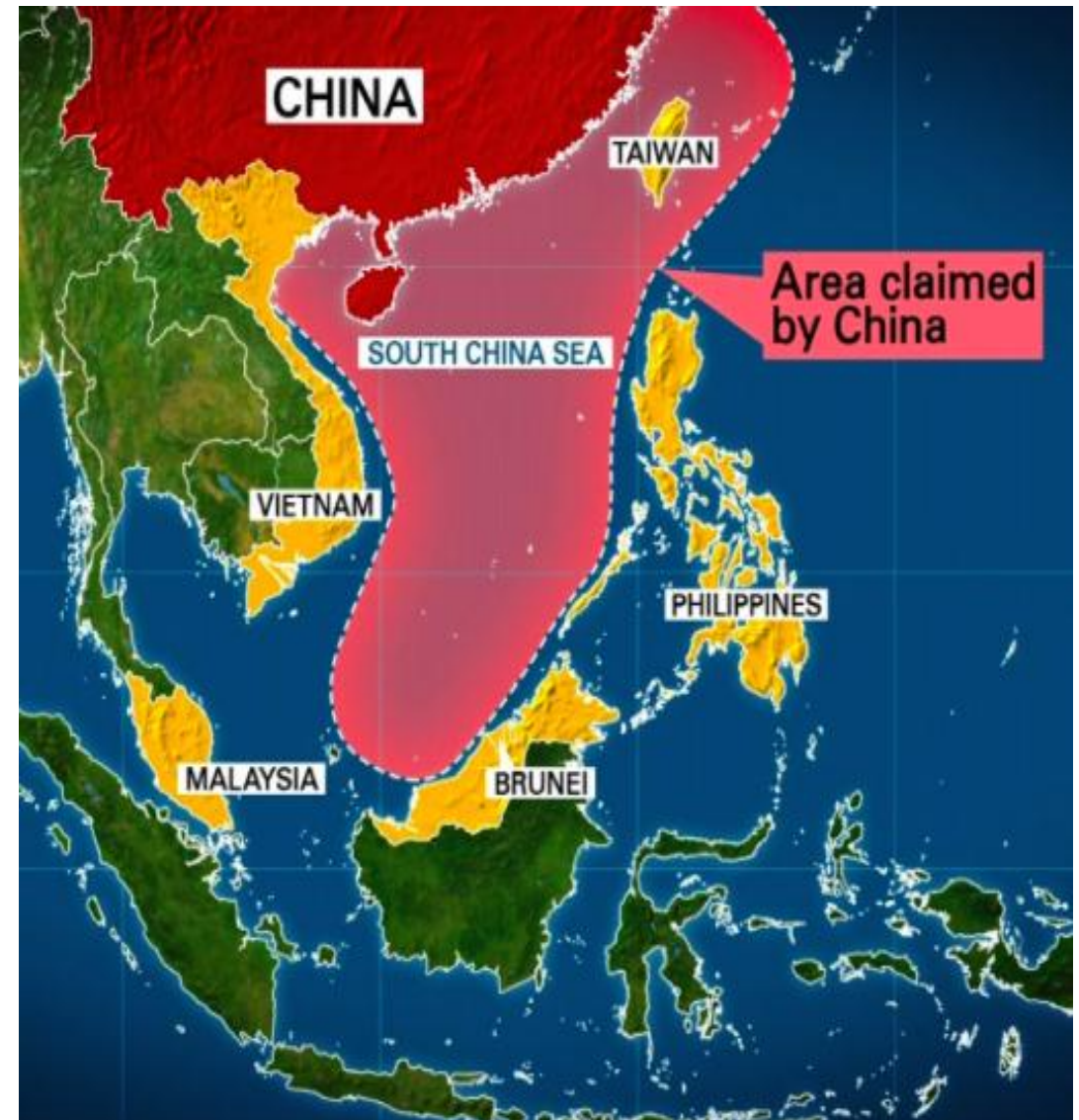
Low-Tide Elevations **DEFEND SOVEREIGNTY**



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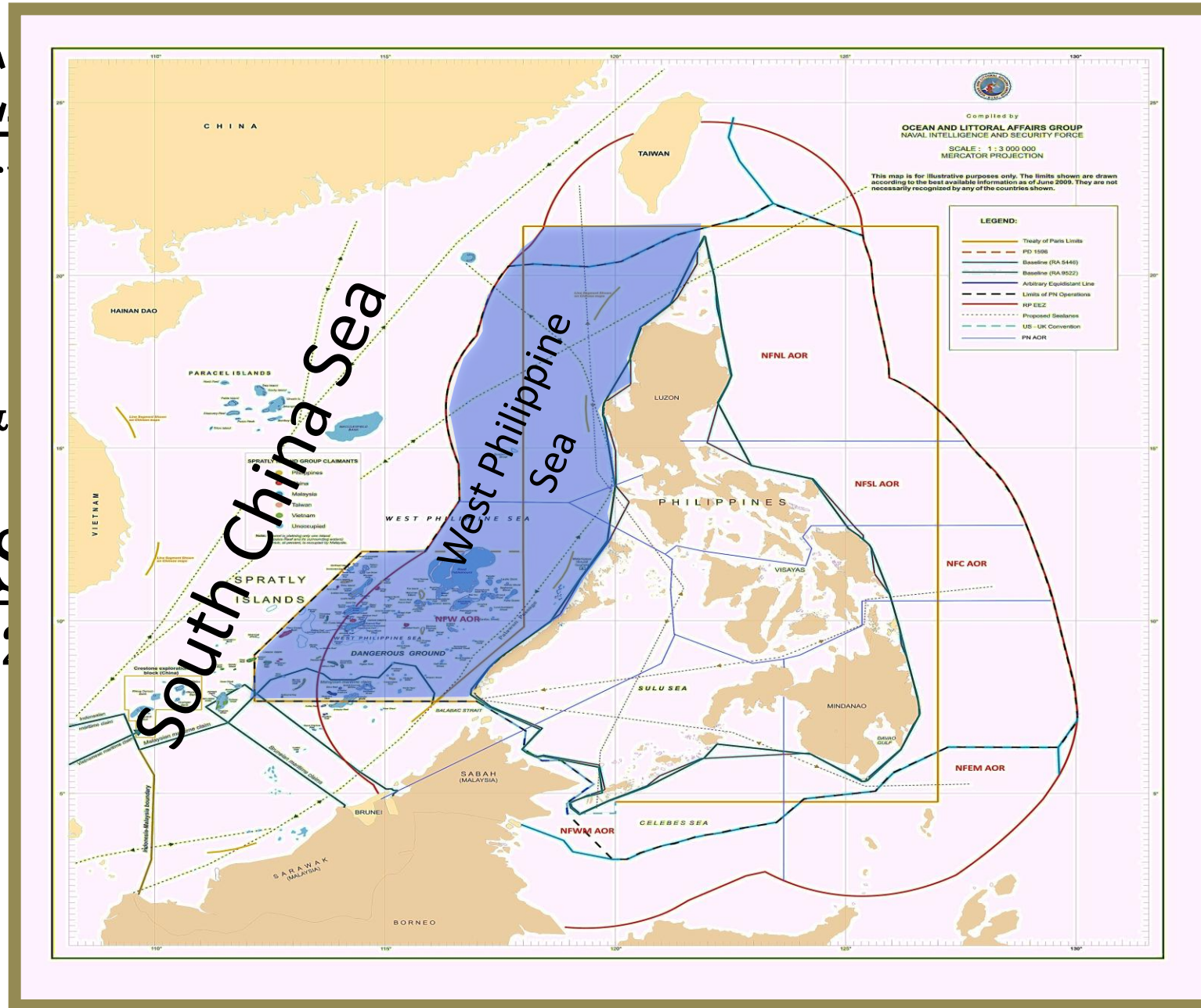


SOUTH CHINA SEA

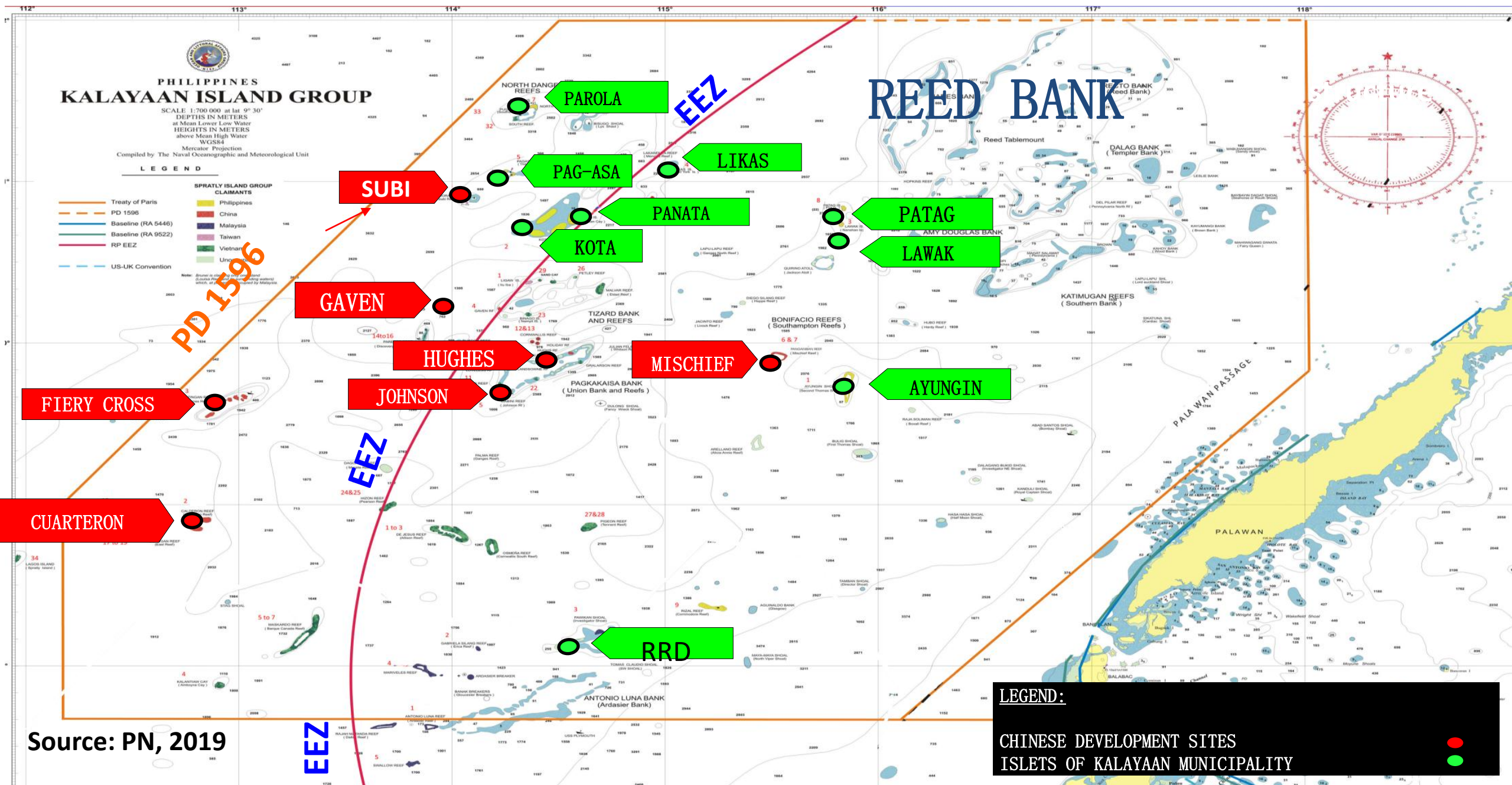
- China & Taiwan on the North
- Philippines in the East
- Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia & Brunei in the West &

WEST PHILIPPINE SEA

- Administrative Order No. 2
- Luzon Sea
- Bajo de Masinloc
- Kalayaan Island Group

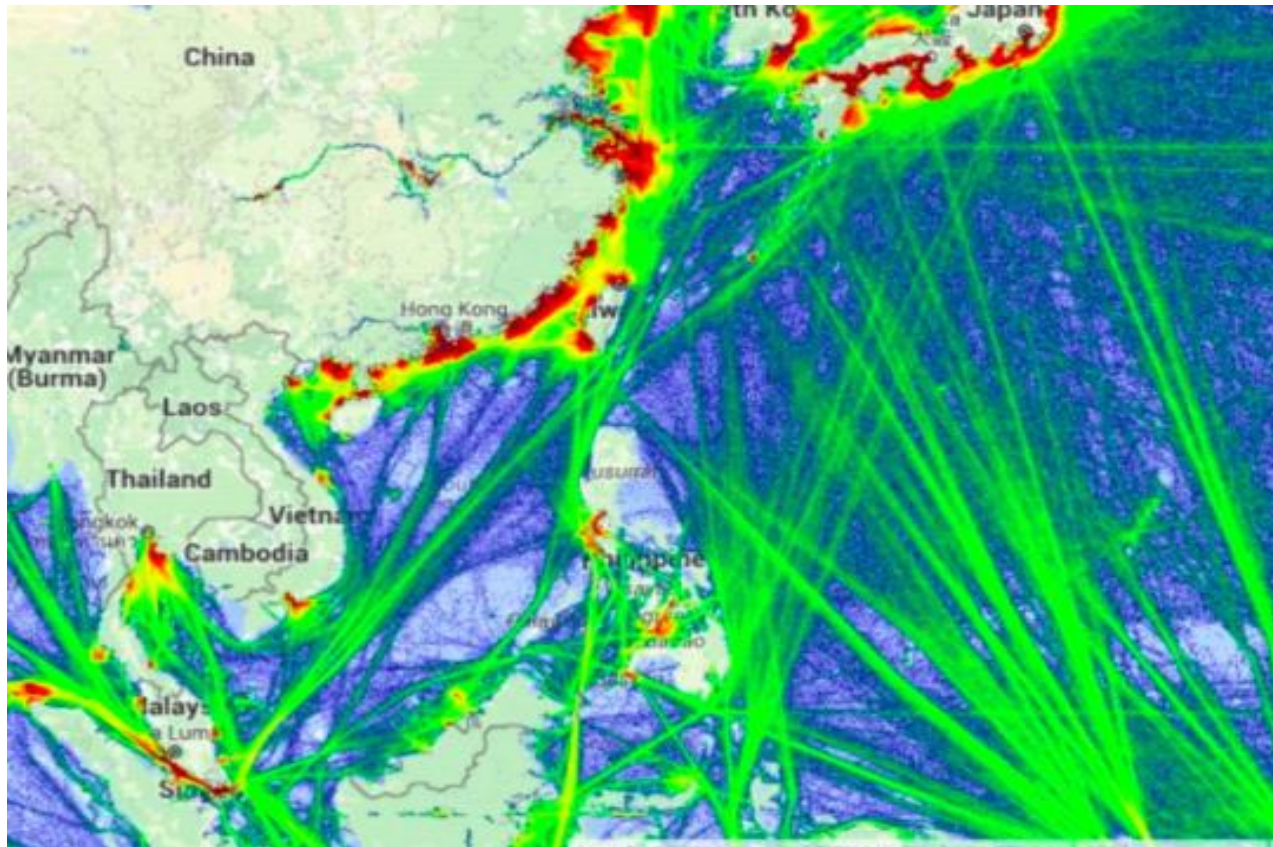


CHINA'S OCCUPIED FEATURES IN THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA



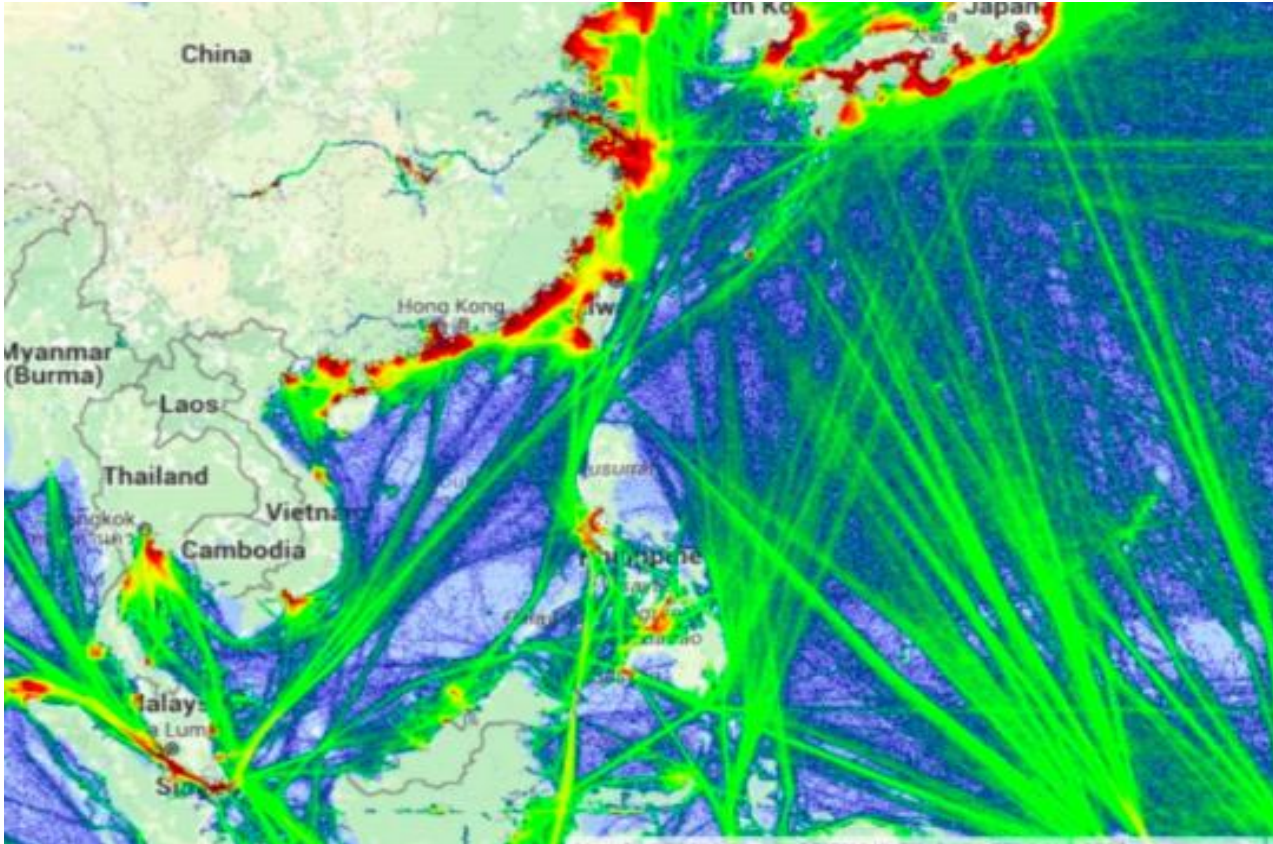
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NAVIGATIONAL ISSUES



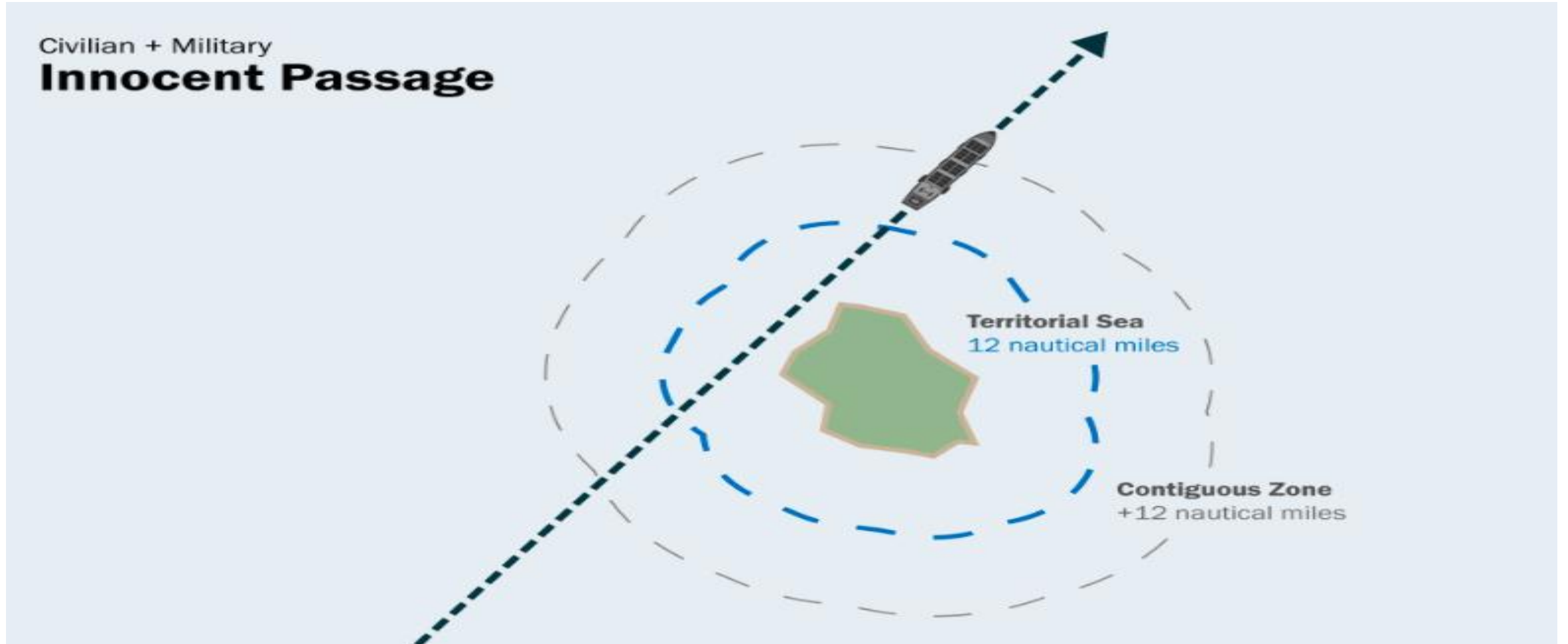
\$5.3 trillion worth of trade cruising through the South China Sea annually. That's nearly one-third of all global maritime trade.

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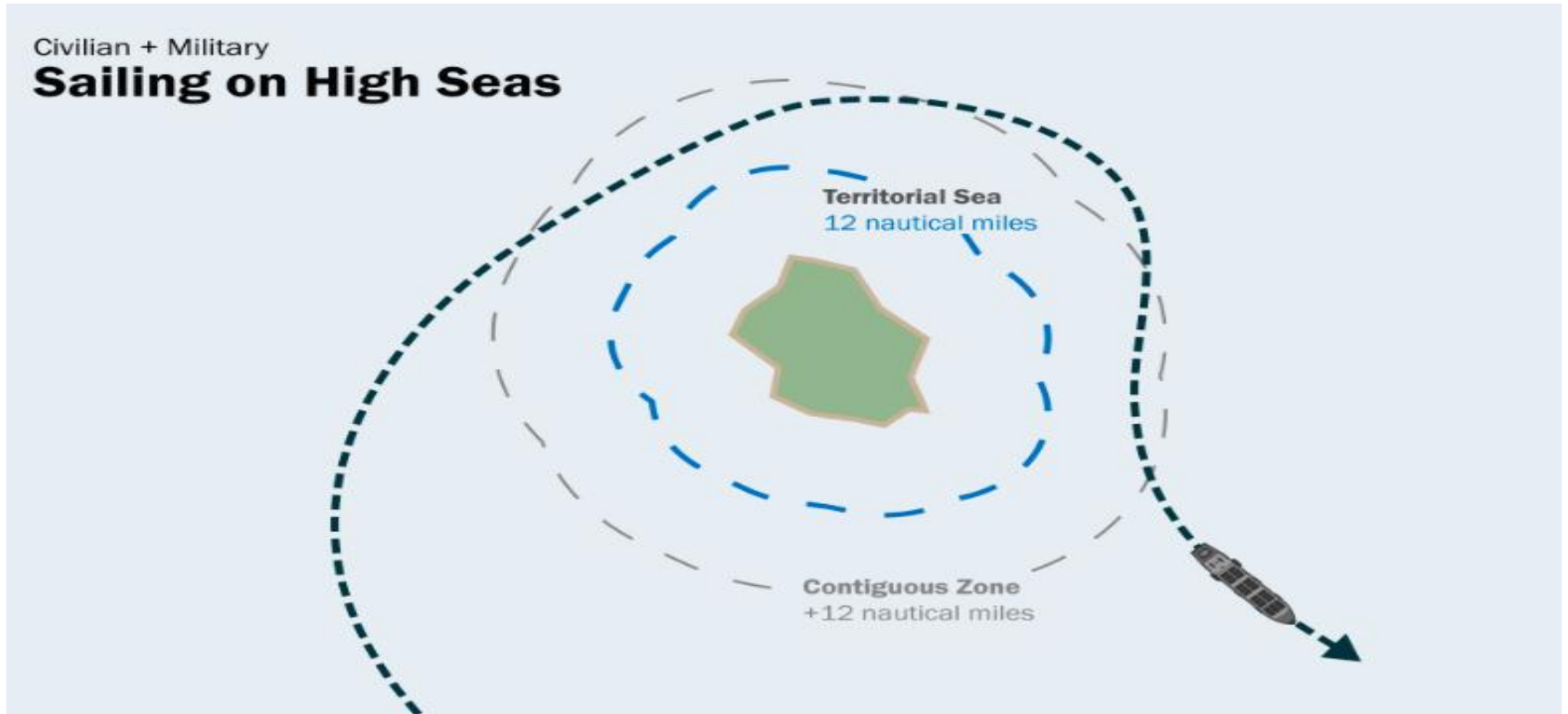
More than 100,000 vessels pass through it each year, accounting for about one-quarter of the world's traded goods.

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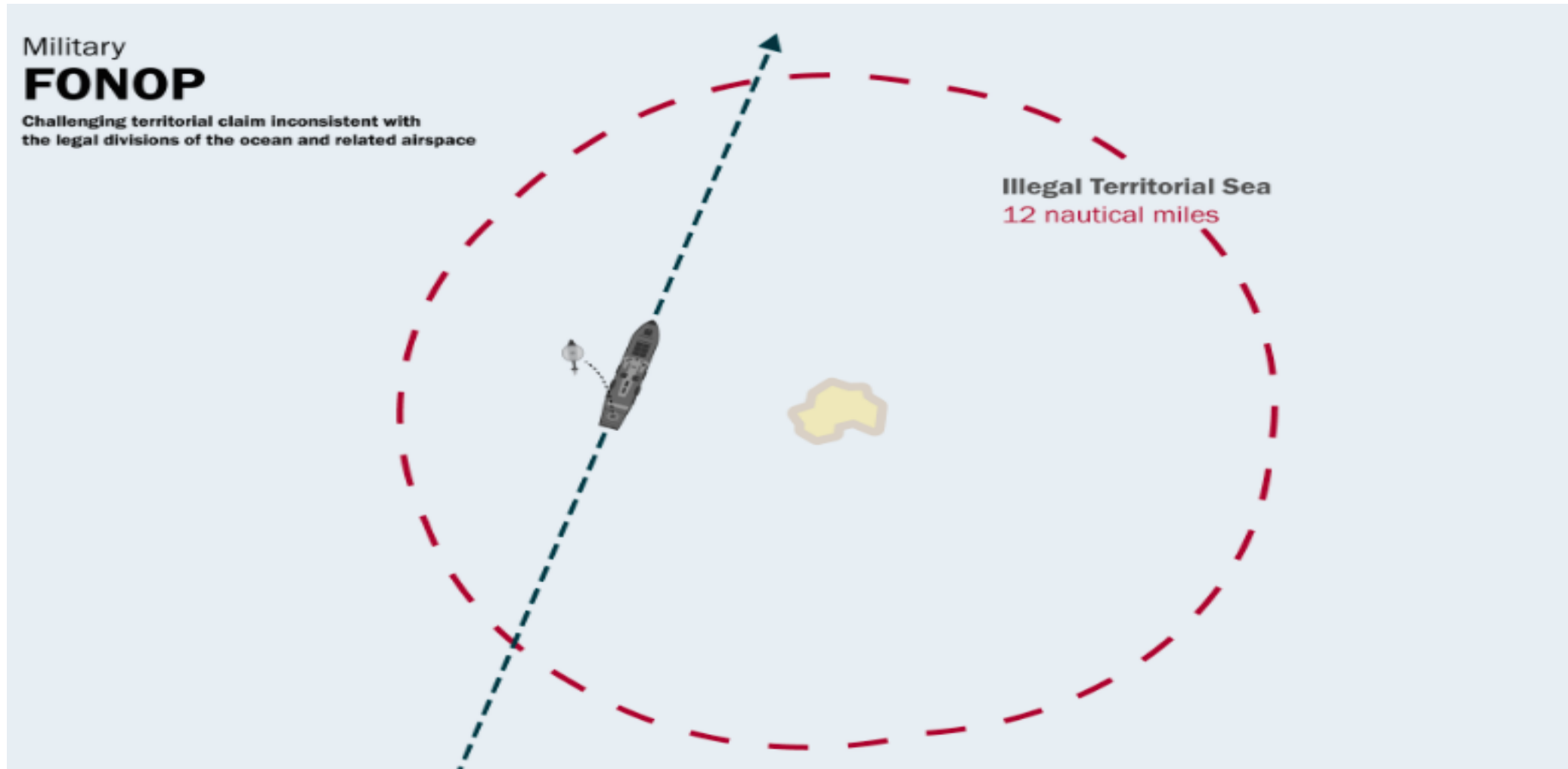
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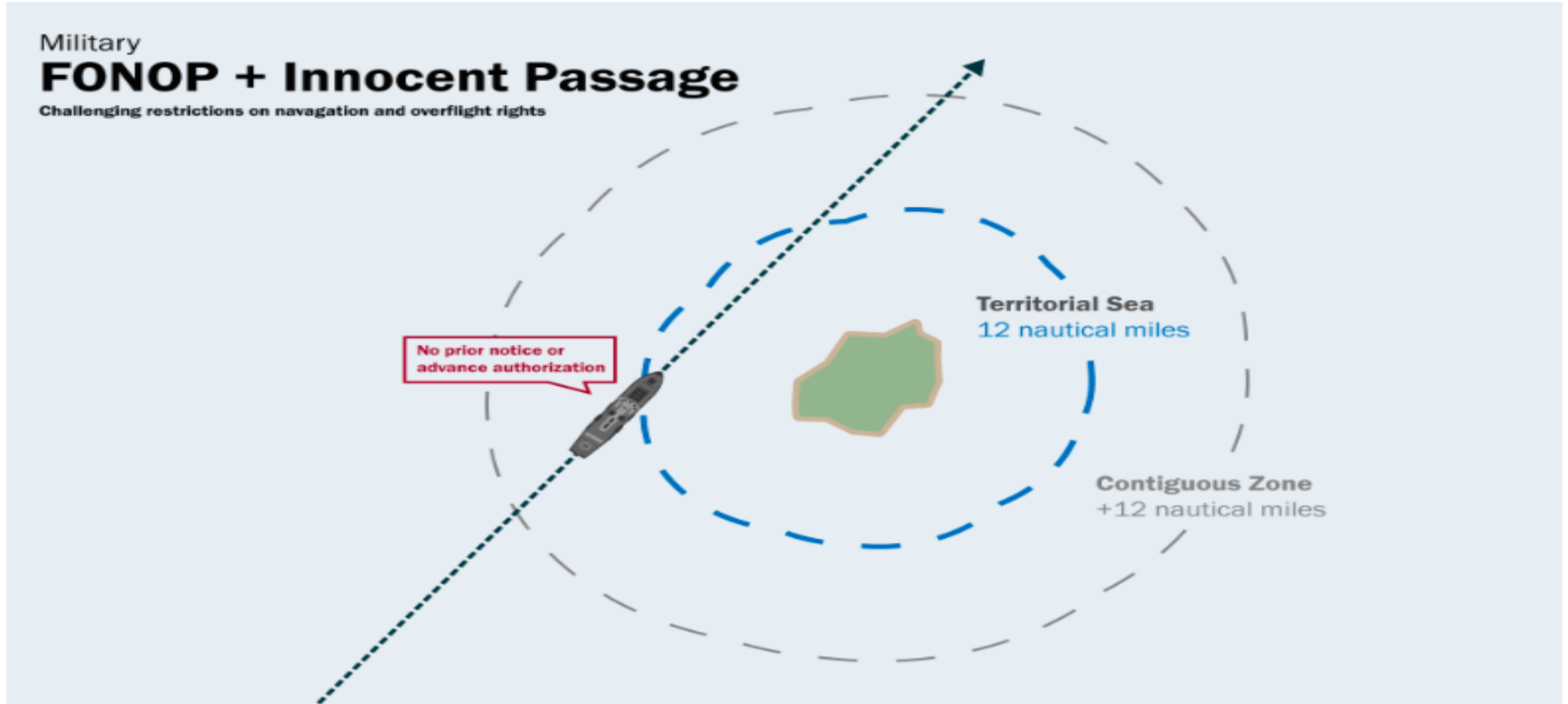
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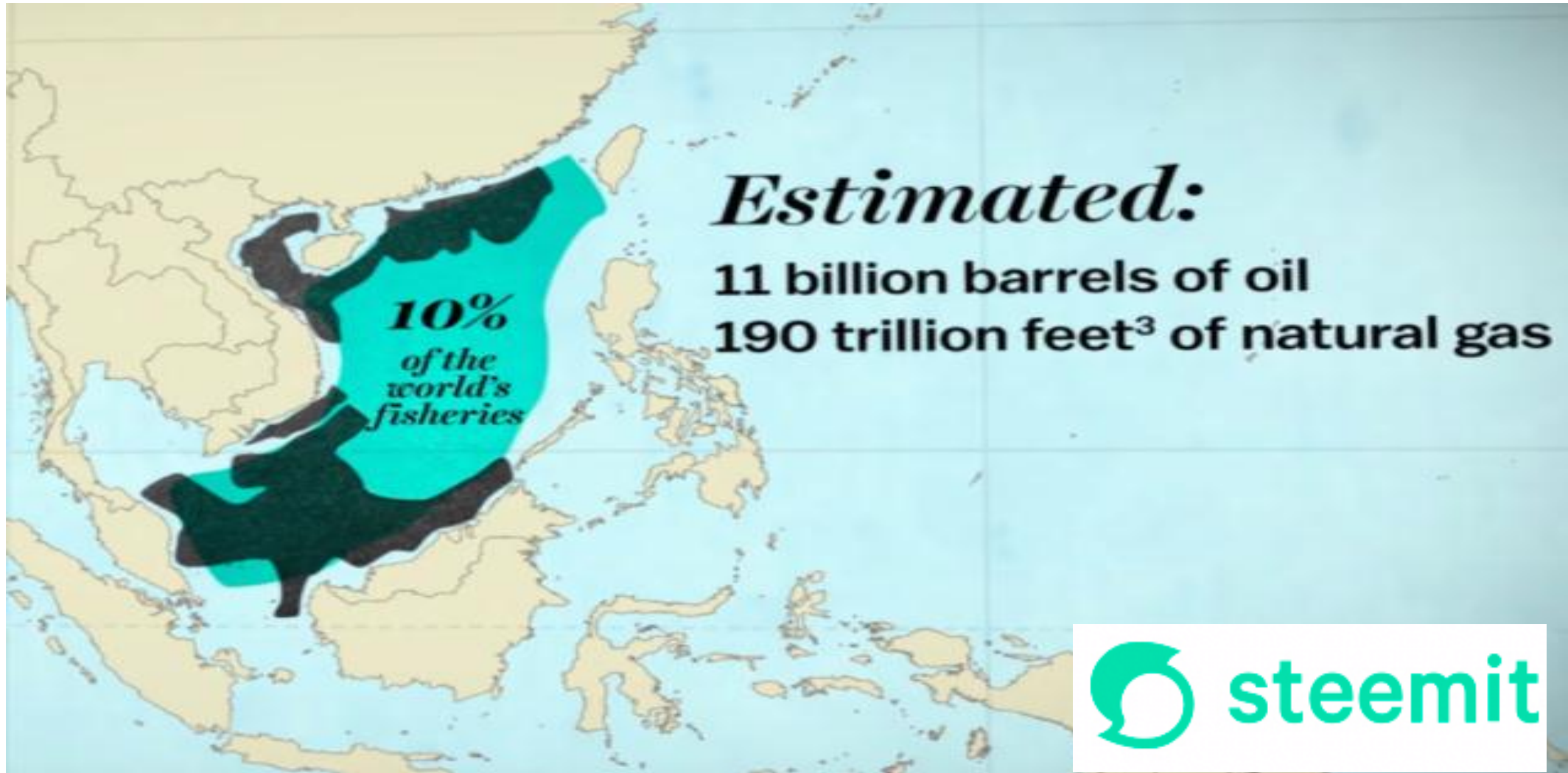
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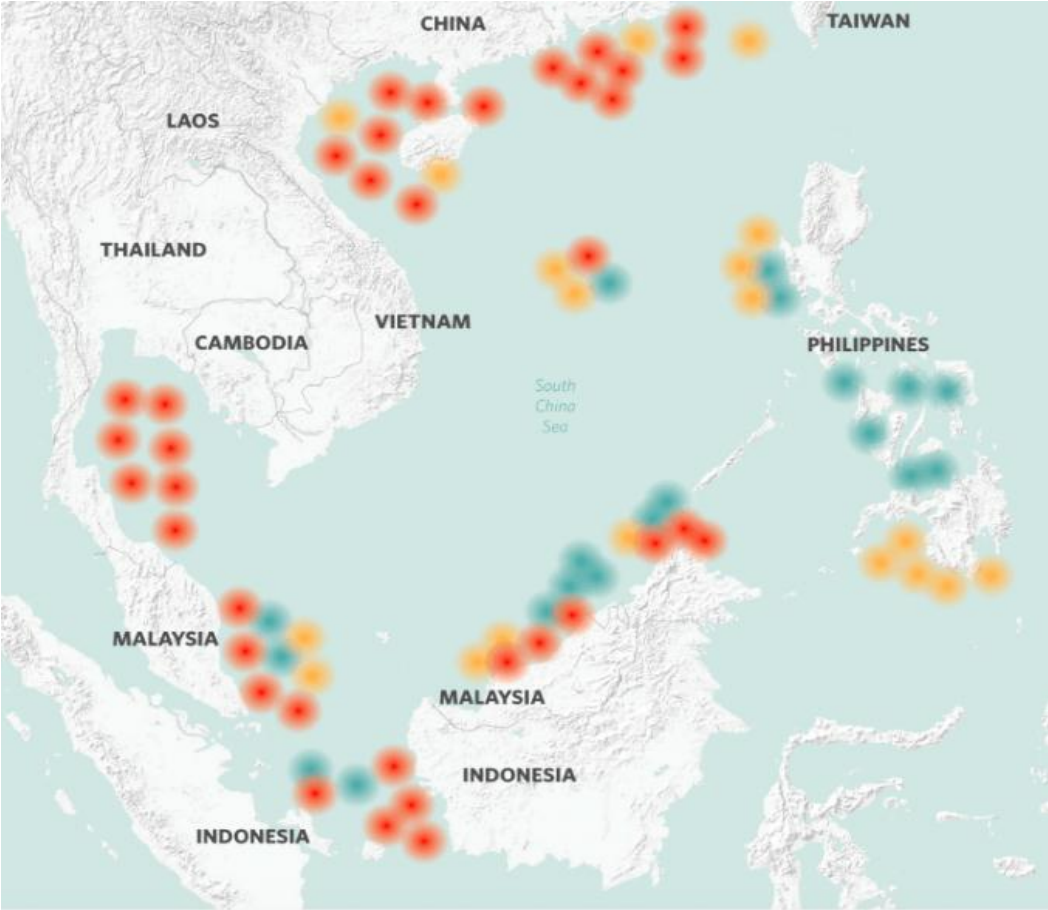


Freedom of Navigation Challenges

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES



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The South China Sea's Depleted Fisheries

Capture fishing since 1960 has led to a decline in the abundance of several species, especially along the Chinese coast. This has pushed fishing vessels farther out and into disputed waters.

- Moderately or underfished
- Fully fished
- Depleted or overfished

The South China Sea accounts for 15% of global fish catch annually.



ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

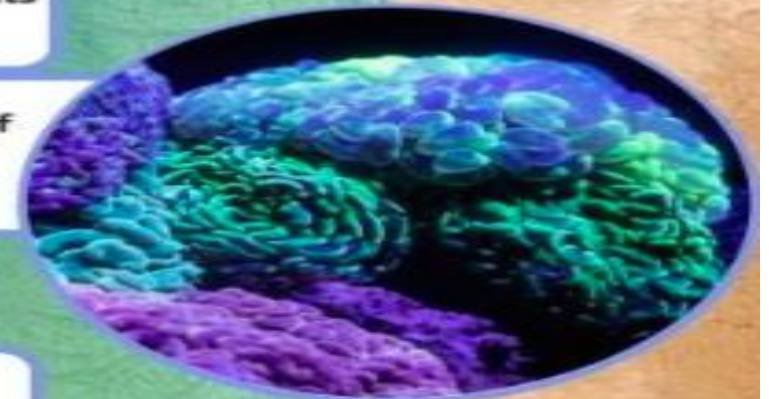
ASEAN Today

The South China Sea's changing ecosystem



Marine resources today stand at between **5%** and **30%** of the levels they were at in the 1950s.

Coral reefs are declining at a rate of **16%** per decade.



Catch rates are down by between **66%** and **75%** in the last two decades.

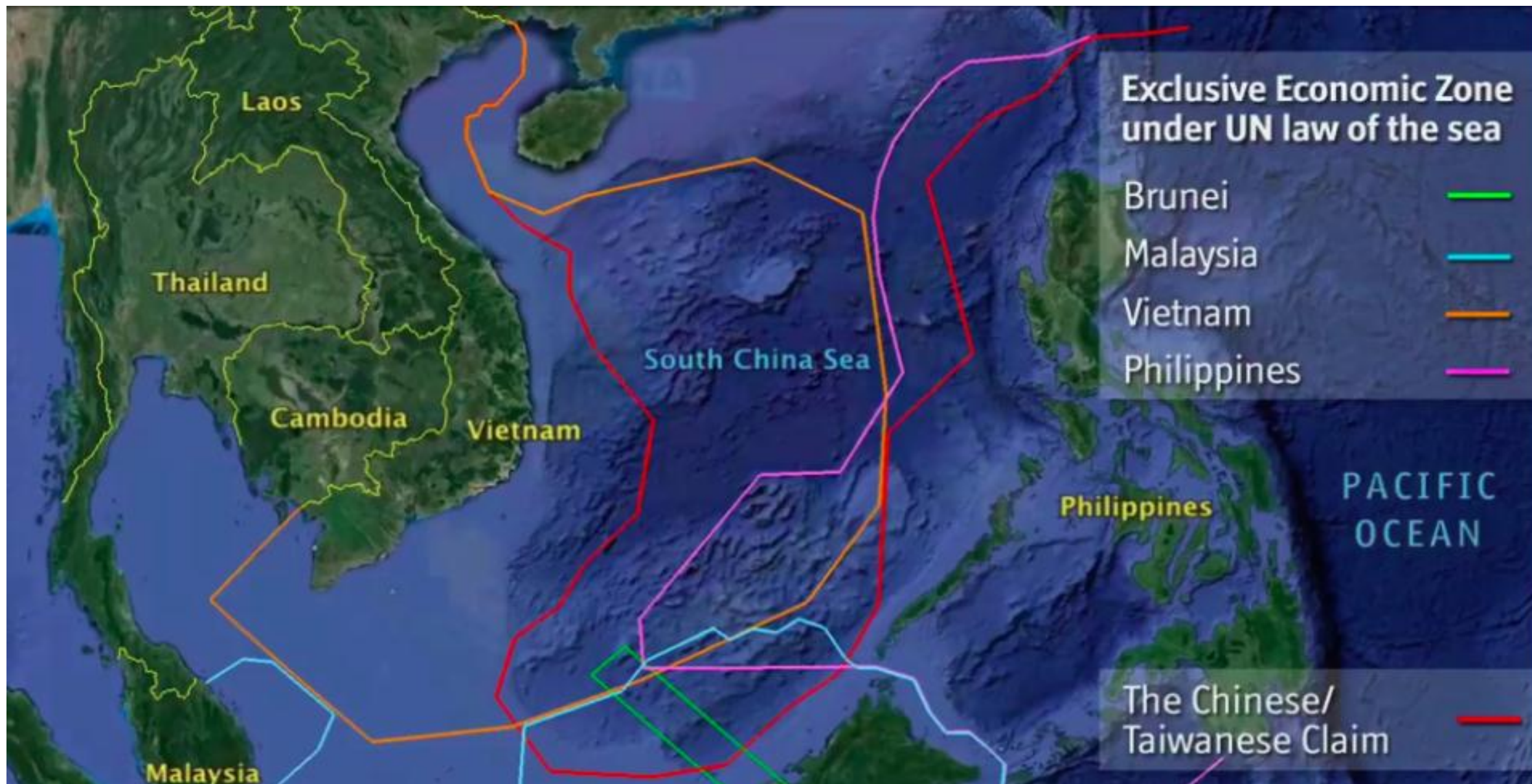
Monthly catches of reef species declined by almost **100%** between 2005 and 2015.



MILITARY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ISSUES



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DOC: MARITIME SECURITY COOPERATION IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

- The 2002 DOC between China and ASEAN provides excellent templates for maritime security cooperation:
 - *Marine environmental protection*
 - *Marine scientific research*
 - *Safety of navigation and communication at sea*
 - *Search and rescue operations, and*
 - *Combatting transnational crimes including terrorism*

《宣言》敦促中国和东盟在以下领域开展合作：

- **海洋环境保护**
- **海洋科学研究**
- **海上航行和通讯安全**
- **搜救行动，以及**
- **打击包括国际恐怖主义在内的跨国犯罪**

Justifications for Cooperation 合作的理由

- Mutual benefits
- Maintenance of stable maritime regional security environment conducive for national development and regional prosperity (blue economy and green development)
- Conflict avoidance through confidence building
- Disputes management through preventive diplomacy
- 互惠互利
- 维护有利于国家发展和地区繁荣的稳定海洋区域安全环境（蓝色经济）
- 通过建立信任来避免冲突
- 通过预防性外交处理争端

Expected Benefits from Cooperation 合作的预期收益

- Strengthening of regional connectivity and prosperity through increased economic activities and infrastructure developments
 - Protection of the marine environment
 - Improvement of search and rescue activities
 - Prevention of transnational crimes and terrorism
 - Avoidance of regional military conflicts or unintended armed encounters
- 通过加强经济活动和基础设施建设，加强地区互联互通和繁荣
 - 保护海洋环境
 - 改进搜救工作
 - 预防跨国犯罪和恐怖主义
 - 避免区域军事冲突或意外的武装冲突

THANK YOU

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