

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS (Updated May 2014)

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Oct 1993	Federal Law No.19	12nm	Foreign warships require prior permission for innocent passage. Foreign ships nuclear powered or carrying nuclear or other dangerous or hazardous material must give notice prior to innocent passage. <i>The U.S. does not recognize this claim.</i> U.S. conducted operational assertions in FY 1995, 1997, and 1998.
	May 1994	Circular No. 34		All ships and naval units prohibited from entering territorial sea and ports without certificate of registration, statement of cargo, and crew and passenger list (unclear if this is meant to apply to vessels solely in innocent passage, not making a port entry). <i>The U.S. does not recognize this requirement for vessels engaged in innocent passage and will not provide such documents for sovereign vessels entering foreign ports.</i>
	Jan 1998	Ministry of Communications Decree No. 110		Prohibits foreign vessels over 20 years old in UAE territorial waters.
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Oct 1993	Federal Law No.19		Provides for combination of normal and straight baselines.
CONTIGUOUS ZONE	Oct 1993	Federal Law No.19	24nm	Claim includes the right to legislate for the security of the State. <i>The U.S. does not recognize this claim.</i> U.S. conducted an operational assertion in FY 1998.
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Oct 1993	Federal Law No.19	CM/ 200nm	
FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Oct 1993	Federal Law No.19	200nm or Median	EEZ.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Mar 1969	Agreement		Agreement between Qatar and UAE (Abu Dhabi) on the settlement of maritime boundaries and ownership of islands. EIF Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 18 for analysis.

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MARITIME BOUNDARIES, Continued	Aug 1974	Agreement		Boundary Agreement between Iran and Dubai. Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 63 for analysis.
	Aug 1974	Agreement		Agreement on the delimitation of boundaries between Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates.
	Oct 1981	Arbitral Award		Dubai - Sharjah territorial sea and continental shelf boundaries determined.
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 1982			Signed Convention.