

BULGARIA

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Jan 2000	Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act	12nm	Repealed 1987 Ocean Spaces Act; also omits earlier references to warships needing permission to transit territorial sea.
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Jan 2000	Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act		Declared normal baselines to be low water mark, but reaffirmed straight baselines closing Varna (Stalin) and Bourgas Bays, claimed as internal waters. (Also partial straight baselines in 3 other areas.)
CONTIGUOUS ZONE	Jan 2000	Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act	24nm	
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Jan 2000	Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act		Limits will be established by agreement between states with adjacent or opposite coasts on Black Sea on basis of international law.
FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Jan 2000	Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act	200nm	EEZ.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Dec 97	Agreement		Boundary agreement and delimitation of maritime areas with Turkey in the Black Sea.
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 82			Signed Convention.
	May 96			Ratified Convention; bound by Part XI Agreement.

STRAIGHT BASELINE LEGISLATION

The following is extracted from the Maritime Space, Inland Waterways and Ports Act of January 2000.

Article 6

The internal waters of the Republic of Bulgaria shall comprise:...

3. The waters of (a) Varna Bay between the coastline and the straight line joining Cape St. Konstantine and Cape Ilandjik; (b) Bourgas Bay between the coastline and the straight line joining Cape Emine and Cape Maslen Nos;

4. The waters between the coastline and the straight baselines joining Cape Kaliakra and Cape Touzlata, Cape Touzlata and Cape Ekrene and Cape Maslen Nos and Cape Rohi.

Article 16(2)

The baselines are the lowest low-water line along the coast or the straight baselines joining the two outermost points of the bays and the spaces referred to in article 6.

MARITIME BOUNDARY AGREEMENT**BULGARIA - TURKEY**

The following is extracted from the Agreement between Bulgaria and Turkey on Determination of the Boundary in the Mouth Area of the Mutludere/Rezovska River and Delimitation of the Maritime Areas between the two states in the Black Sea, signed 4 December 1997.

Article 1

The boundary in the mouth area of the Mutludere/Rezovska River

3. The initial boundary point in the mouth area of the Mutludere/Rezovska River shall have the rectangular coordinates $x=5025m$ and $y=7839m$, and the terminal boundary point in the mouth of the river shall have the rectangular coordinates $x=5324m$ and $y=8339m$, determined on the Plan of the mouth area of the Mutludere/Rezovska River, scale 1:1000, mutually adopted in September 1992.... The terminal boundary point in the river mouth constitutes the terminal point of the land boundary between the Parties.

Article 2

The maritime boundary in the Begendik/Rezovo Bay

1. The maritime boundary between the Republic of Turkey and the Republic of Bulgaria in the Begendik/Rezovo Bay starts from the terminal land boundary point in the river mouth with coordinates as determined in article 1, paragraph 3, of this Agreement. From that point the maritime boundary continues through points with coordinates:

TABLE C1.T25.
BULGARIA – TURKEY BEGENDIK/REZOVO BAY BOUNDARY

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
C	41°58'43.6"N	28°01'53.3"E
D	41°58'41.5"N	28°02'05.1"E
E	41°58'48.5"N	28°02'15.8"E*

which is established on the baseline closing the internal waters of the Bay from the sea.

3. The boundary in the Begendik/Rezovo Bay and the navigation sector are shown on the map of the Begendik/Rezovo Bay, scale 1:10 000, mutually adopted in 1983 (annex 4)....

Article 3

The lateral boundary of the territorial sea

1. The lateral boundary between the Republic of Turkey and the Republic of Bulgaria in the territorial sea begins from point "E" as established on the baseline of the Begendik/Rezovo Bay in accordance with article 2, paragraph 1, of this Agreement. Then the boundary continues through loxodromes to point "F" with coordinates 41°58'52.8"N and 28°02'25.2"E and then it follows the geographic parallel 41°58'52.8" until it meets the terminal point with coordinates 41°58'52.8"N and 28°19'25.8"E established on the twelve-nautical-miles outer limit of the territorial sea.

The geographic coordinates referred to in this paragraph are expressed in terms of the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS'84), except for point "E".

2. The boundary of the territorial sea, as determined in article 3, paragraph 1, of this Agreement, is shown on the Bulgarian maritime chart N 5001 (ed.1981), scale 1:550 000, and on the Turkish maritime chart N 10-A (ed.1993), scale 1:750 000 (annexes 5A and 5B)....

Article 4

The boundary of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone

1. The boundary of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone between the Republic of Turkey and the Republic of Bulgaria in the Black Sea begins from the terminal point of the lateral boundary of the territorial seas, determined in article 3, paragraph 1, of this Agreement, and continues in the north-east direction, through geodetic lines joining the turning points with coordinates:

**TABLE C1.T26.
BULGARIA – TURKEY BLACK SEA BOUNDARY**

Coordinate system, WGS'84		
POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
1.	41°59'52"N	28°19'26"E
2.	42°14'28"N	29°20'45"E
3.	42°26'24"N	29°34'20"E
4.	42°29'24"N	29°49'36"E
5.	42°33'27"N	29°58'30"E
6.	42°48'03"N	30°34'10"E
7.	42°49'31"N	30°36'18"E
8.	42°56'43"N	30°45'06"E
9.	43°19'54"N	31°06'33"E
10.	43°26'49"N	31°20'43"E

As for the drawing of the delimitation line of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone further to the north-east direction between geographic point 43°19'54"N and 31°06'33"E and geographic point 43°26'49"N and 31°20'43"E, the Parties have agreed that such a drawing will be finalized later at subsequent negotiations which will be held at a suitable time.

2. The boundary of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone determined in article 4, paragraph 1, of this Agreement is shown on the Bulgarian maritime chart N 5001 (ed.1981), scale 1:500 000, and on the Turkish maritime chart N 10-A (ed.1993), scale 1:750 000 (annexes 5A and 5B).

The geographical coordinates referred to in article 4, paragraph 1, of this Agreement are expressed in terms of the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS'84).