

Agreement between Rasonistan and Alkazania on Cooperation in the Use of the Iflosian Sea and the Strait of König

Rasonistan and Alkazania, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

guided by the relations of friendship and cooperation between the peoples of Rasonistan and Alkazania, historically formed ties between them;

noting the importance of the Iflosian Sea and the Strait of König for the economic development of Rasonistan and Alkazania;

convinced that all matters relating to the Iflosian Sea and the Strait of König should be resolved only by peaceful means together or by agreement between the parties;

based on the need to preserve the Iflosian-König area of water as an integral economic and natural complex used in the interests of Rasonistan and Alkazania;

agreed on the following:

Article 1

The Iflosian Sea and the Strait of König have historically been inland waters of Rasonistan and Alkazania.

The Iflosian Sea is delimited between Rasonistan and Alkazania in accordance with an agreement, to be concluded between the Parties at a later time.

The settlement of issues related to the Strait of König area of water is carried out by an agreement, to be concluded between the Parties at a later time.

Article 2

1. Merchant ships and warships, as well as other state vessels flying the flag of the Rasonistan or Alkazania, operated for non-commercial purposes, enjoy freedom of navigation in the Iflosian Sea and the Strait of König.

2. Commercial vessels flying the flags of third states may enter the Iflosian Sea and pass through the Strait of König if they go to or return from a Rasonian or Alkazanian port.

3. Warships and other State vessels of third states operated for non-commercial purposes may enter the Iflosian Sea and pass through the Strait of König if they are sent with a visit or business call to a port of one of the Parties at its invitation or permission agreed with the other Party.

Article 3

Rasonian-Alkazanian cooperation, including their common activity in the field of navigation, including its regulation and navigational and hydrographic support, fisheries, protection of the marine environment, environmental safety, and search and rescue in the Iflosian Sea and Strait of König are guaranteed both through the implementation of existing agreements and, in relevant cases, through the conclusion of new agreements.

Article 4

Disputes between the Parties related to the interpretation and application of this Agreement should be resolved through consultations and negotiations, as well as through other peaceful means at the Parties' choice.

Article 5

This Agreement is subject to ratification and it enters into force upon exchange of the instruments of ratification of the Parties.

Amendments and additions to this Agreement should be regulated in separate protocols, which enter into force in accordance with the procedure described in paragraph 1 of this Article.

DONE at Iflos on July 24, 2003, in duplicate, each in the Rasonian and Alkazanian languages, both texts being equally authentic.