

**Article 6 of the Constitution as amended by
Decree No. 5699 of 5 June 1975**

The Legislative Assembly of the Republic of Costa Rica

Decreases:

Sole Article. Article 6 of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article 6. The State exercises complete and exclusive sovereignty over the airspace above its territory, its territorial waters for a distance of 12 miles from the low-water line along its coasts, its continental shelf and its insular sill, in accordance with the principles of international law.

Furthermore, it exercises special jurisdiction over the seas adjacent to its territory for an extent of 200 miles from the aforesaid line, in order to protect, conserve, and utilize on an exclusive basis all natural resources and riches existing in the waters, soil and sub-soil of those zones, in conformity with the aforesaid principles.