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I write this as a stickler, from a individuals point of view with no financial interests in the fishing industry.

<https://statesassembly.gov.je/assemblypropositions/2020/p.170-2020.pdf>

Following the above link and going to page 11, it Clearly states

“On 17th November 2020, new developments in the negotiations requested Jersey’s inclusion in the VAT Protocol. This Protocol has two elements (i) administrative cooperation on VAT and (ii) ‘Assistance in Collection’ (AIC) of tax owed to Governments of EU Member States. Alongside this, on 20 November 2020, the UK and the EU introduced a joint declaration, which made reference also to the Crown Dependencies and British Overseas Territories, committing to certain actions on ‘countering harmful tax regimes’. Both developments were deemed by Ministers as constitutionally and politically inappropriate, in addition to having limited relevance to Jersey – as a jurisdiction without VAT, and a tax regime independently assessed by the OECD and EU as fully cooperative”

Going by this it appears the States traded Jersey’s waters in order to be excluded from AIC? I ask the states to extended Jersey’s Waters from 3miles to 12miles. In the event this is not practical. Jerseys outer Reefs are the responsibility of jersey, so the 3mile limit should begin at these reefs? Which ever way this sways, Jersey is responsible for the marine resources in the waters. I understand more funds have been promised to this industry. These funds have to filter down to allow fisheries to hire more officers in the immediate future, is there a time limit put on the above?

**Reply required:** Yes