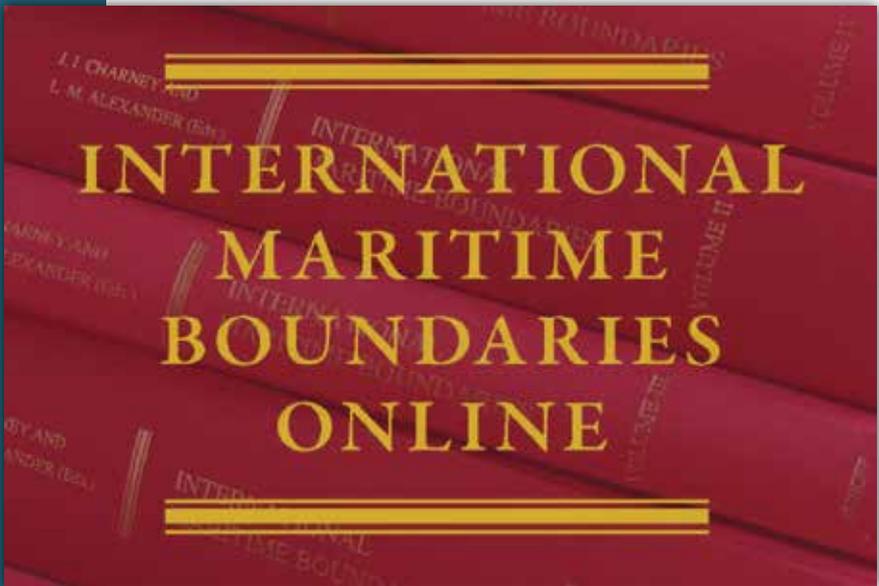# International Maritime Boundaries Online

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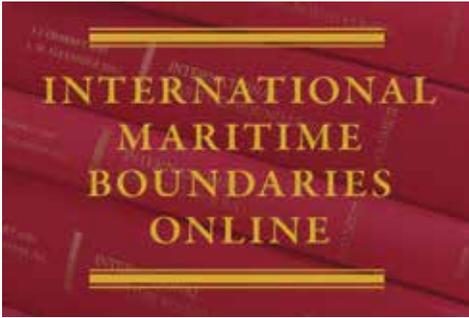

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Main Landing and Login Page:

On the landing page (referenceworks.brillonline.com/browse/international-maritime-boundaries) you can choose from several tabs to start your search or begin your browsing. The basic search box is always at the top of the page.

Available tabs:
Regions: Boundary Reports and maps organized by geographic region
Prelims: Contributor bios and front matter from print volumes and online updates
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Regional Maps: Eleven color regional maps hyperlinked to boundary reports and individual maps
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General Comments, Basic Searching

All searches may be conducted from the Basic Search Box, which is always located at the top of the screen. Simple queries are the best. By default the search engine will look for all words entered individually (i.e. it will treat the query as a Boolean AND).

Research Question: "Does China have any agreed maritime boundaries? If so, with which neighbors?

There are three search options available:

Option 1: Basic Search Box, enter: "China."
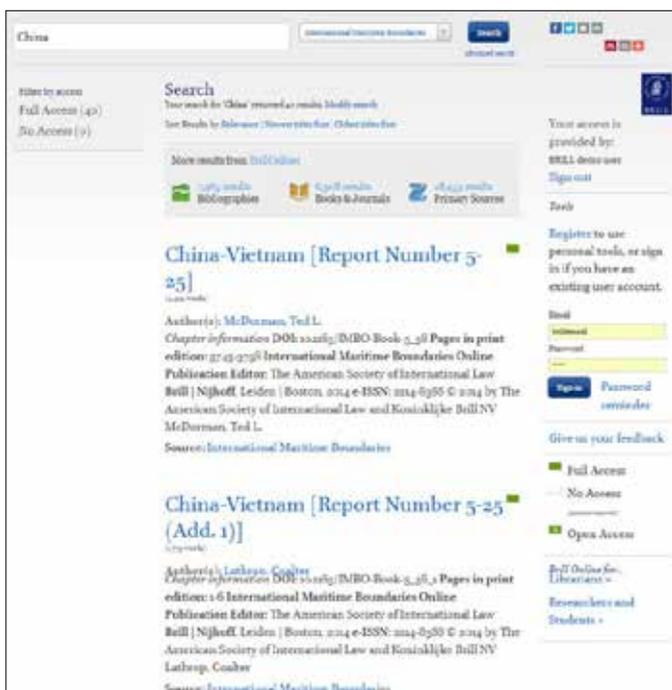
Forty results are returned; click through to desired report.

Option 2: Go to the Regional Maps tab at the main landing page. The boundary numbers are linked to the boundary reports:

Select Region V, Central Pacific and East Asia:

Visually browse map to identify the China-Vietnam boundary. Click associated report number label "5-25" to access the report:

Option 3:

Go to "Country-by-Country" tab at the main landing page, click through to browse alphabetized list of countries and select highlighted report number "5-25.":

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Country-by-Country Index

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Country	Boundary Agreement	Year Signed	Report No.
Abu Dhabi	[see United Arab Emirates]		
Albania	Greece	2009	8-21
	Italy	1992	8-11
	Italy	1992	8-11(Corr.)
Algeria	Tunisia	2002	8-16
Angola	Congo, Dem. Rep	2007	4-18
	Congo, Rep	2001	4-16
	Namibia	2002	4-13
Argentina	Chile	1984	3-1
	Uruguay	1973	2-2
Australia	East Timor	2002 & 2003	6-20 (1,2,3)
	East Timor	2007	6-20 (3)(Add.1)
	East Timor	2006	6-20(4)
Cape Verde	Mauritania	2003	4-12
	Senegal	1993	4-8
Chile	Argentina	1984	3-1
	Peru	1952	3-5
	Peru	1952	3-5(Corr.1,Add.1)
	Peru	2008	3-5(Add.2)
	Peru	2014	3-5(2)
China	Vietnam	2004	5-25
	Vietnam	2000	5-25(Add.1)
Colombia	Costa Rica	1977	2-1
	Costa Rica	1984	3-6
	Costa Rica	1984	3-6(Add.1)
	Dominican Republic	1978	2-2

Advanced Searching:

General Comments, Advanced Search Techniques:

Capitals: The search engine is not case sensitive.
Example: Searching for abraham, ABRAHAM or ABraHaM will all retrieve the same results.
Boolean: The search engine recognizes the standard Boolean operators, AND, OR, and NOT, and the use of parentheses. Remember to put Boolean terms in uppercase.
Stemming: The search engine will search for words with the same stem.
Example: A search for bow will also retrieve bowing, bowed and bows.

Search for "Article 121" using the Advanced Search feature:

Fifty-four search results are returned:

Browsing:

From the Regions tab you can browse by the region of your choice:

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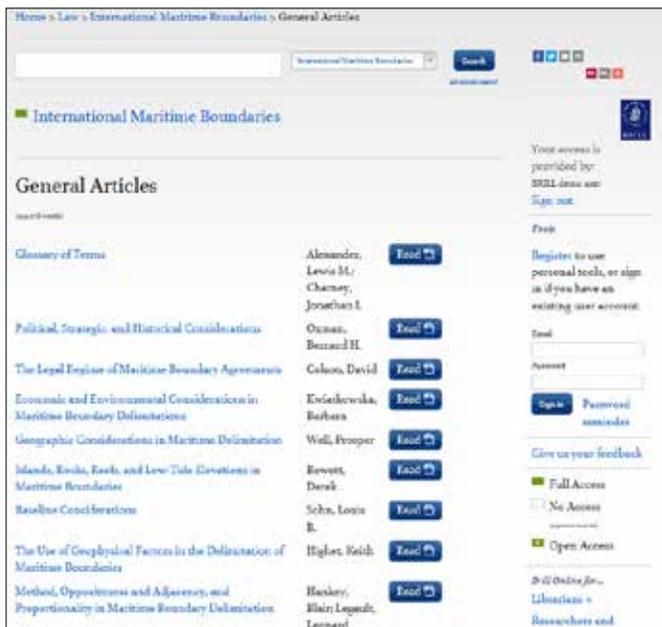
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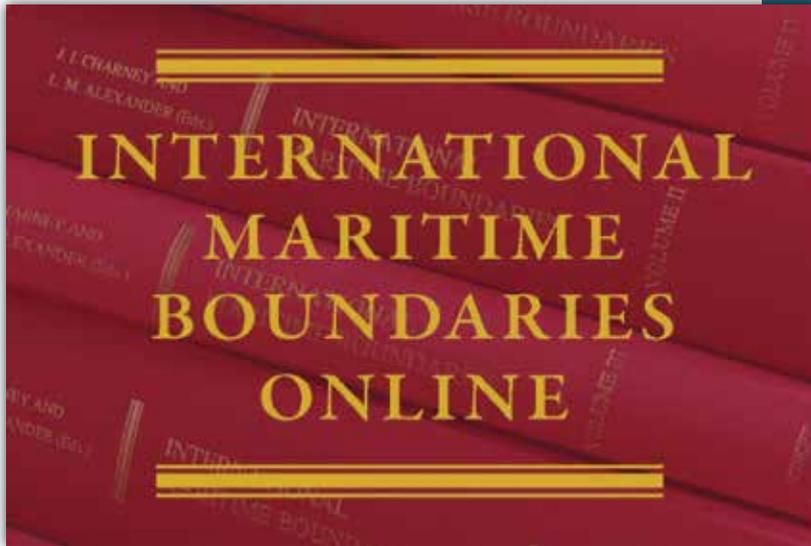
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