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**PART I**

**Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations**

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

*Islamabad, the 14th April, 1997*

ACT No. V OF 1997

*An Act further to amend the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1976*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1976 (LXXXII of 1976), for the purposes hereinafter appearing :

It is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones (Amendment) Act, 1997.

2. **Amendment of section 5, Act LXXXII of 1976.**—In the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1976 (LXXXII of 1976), in section 5,—

(a) in sub-section (2),—

(i) for clause (a) the following shall be substituted, namely :—

“(a) exclusive sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring and exploiting minerals and other non-living resources of the bed and sub-soil together with living organisms belonging to the sedentary species ; ” ; and

- (ii) after clause (d), the following explanation shall be added, namely:—

*“Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-section, the expression “living organisms” shall mean those organisms which, at the harvestable stage, are either immobile under the sea-bed or are unable to move except in constant physical contact with the sea-bed or the sub-soil.”; and*

- (b) in sub-section (4), in clause (a), the words “and its superjacent water” shall be omitted.

JONAIQ IOBAL,  
*Additional Secretary.*