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Earler this year, o 90,000 square mile area of the Atlantic Ocean was phased out of a list of sea areas that surround the British Isles. As a BBC news report told us at the time: "The name Finisterre—deriving from the Spanish 'finis terre, I meaning the end of the earth—is also used by Spain for a different area of the sea and they asked Britain to come up with a new one." They did, and Fitz Roy was introduced on 4 January 2002. These "sea areas"—named for the shallow banks, traditionally used as fishing grounds—are covered by the Met Office Shipping Forecast, a weather report prepared by the UK Meteorological Office and broadcast four times a day by BBC radio.

- "A Late Evening in the Future (part one)," Paul Elliman, Dot Dot #5, 2002

Paul Elliman, Faxed drawing of UK shipping forecast regions, 2002, 31.8×23.5 cm