## THE COOK ISLANDS

The Cook Islands is a self-governing island country in the South Pacific Ocean in free association with New Zealand. It comprises 15 islands with Rarotonga being the capital of the Cook Islands.

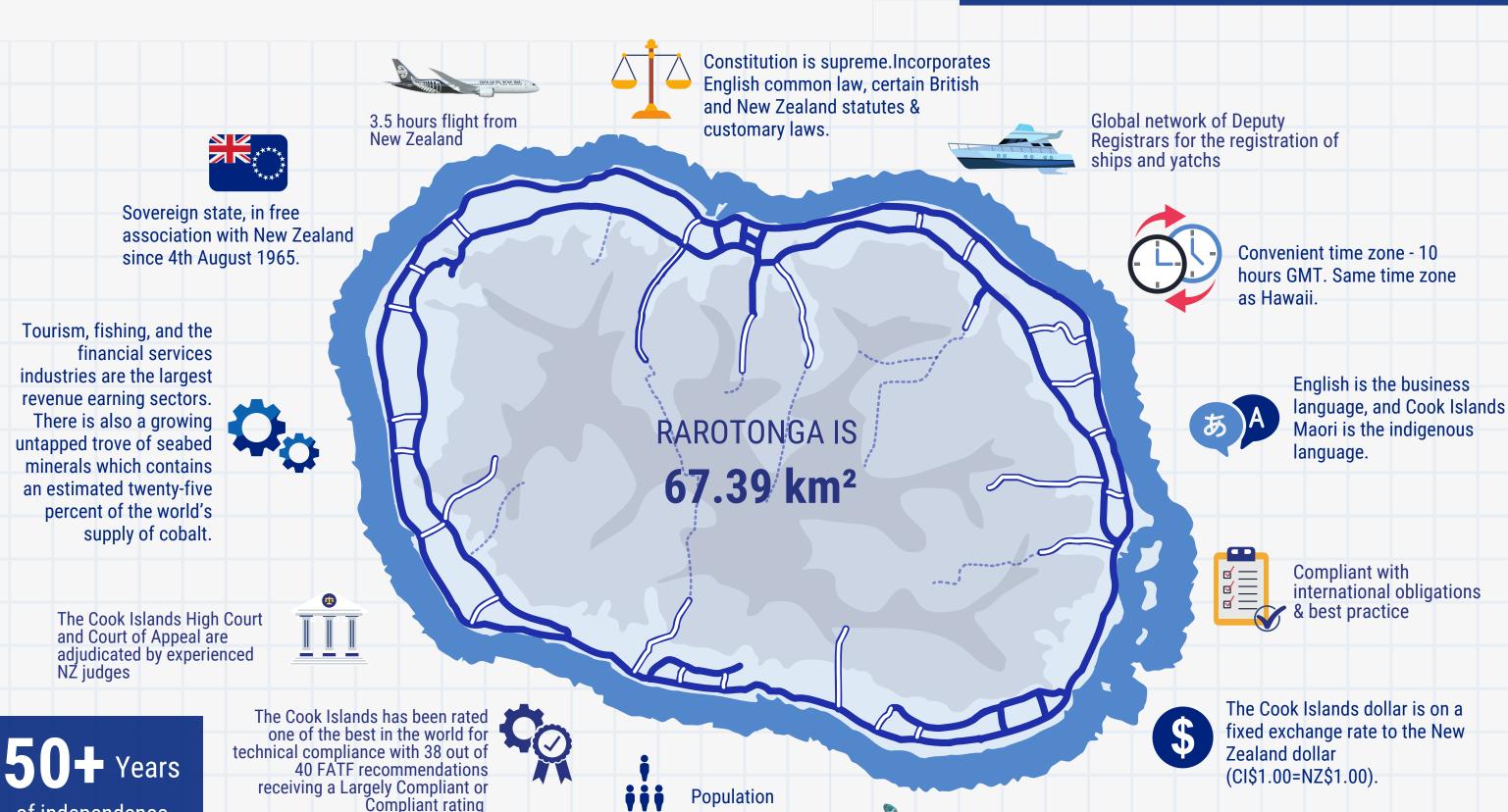
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Largest multi-use marine park in the world.

Marae Moana spans a total ocean area of

nearly 2 million square kilometres



17,564 (in 2020)