

Paracel Islands

Geography

Location: Southeastern Asia, group of small islands and reefs in the South China Sea, about one-third of the way from central Vietnam to the northern Philippines

Land boundaries: 0 km

Coastline: 518 km

Climate: tropical

Natural resources: none

Environment:
natural hazards: typhoons

People

Population: no indigenous inhabitants; note - there are scattered Chinese garrisons

Government

Names:

conventional short form: Paracel Islands

Economy

Overview: no economic activity

Transportation

Ports: small Chinese port facilities on Woody Island and Duncan Island being expanded

Airports:
total: 1

Defence Forces

Note: occupied by China