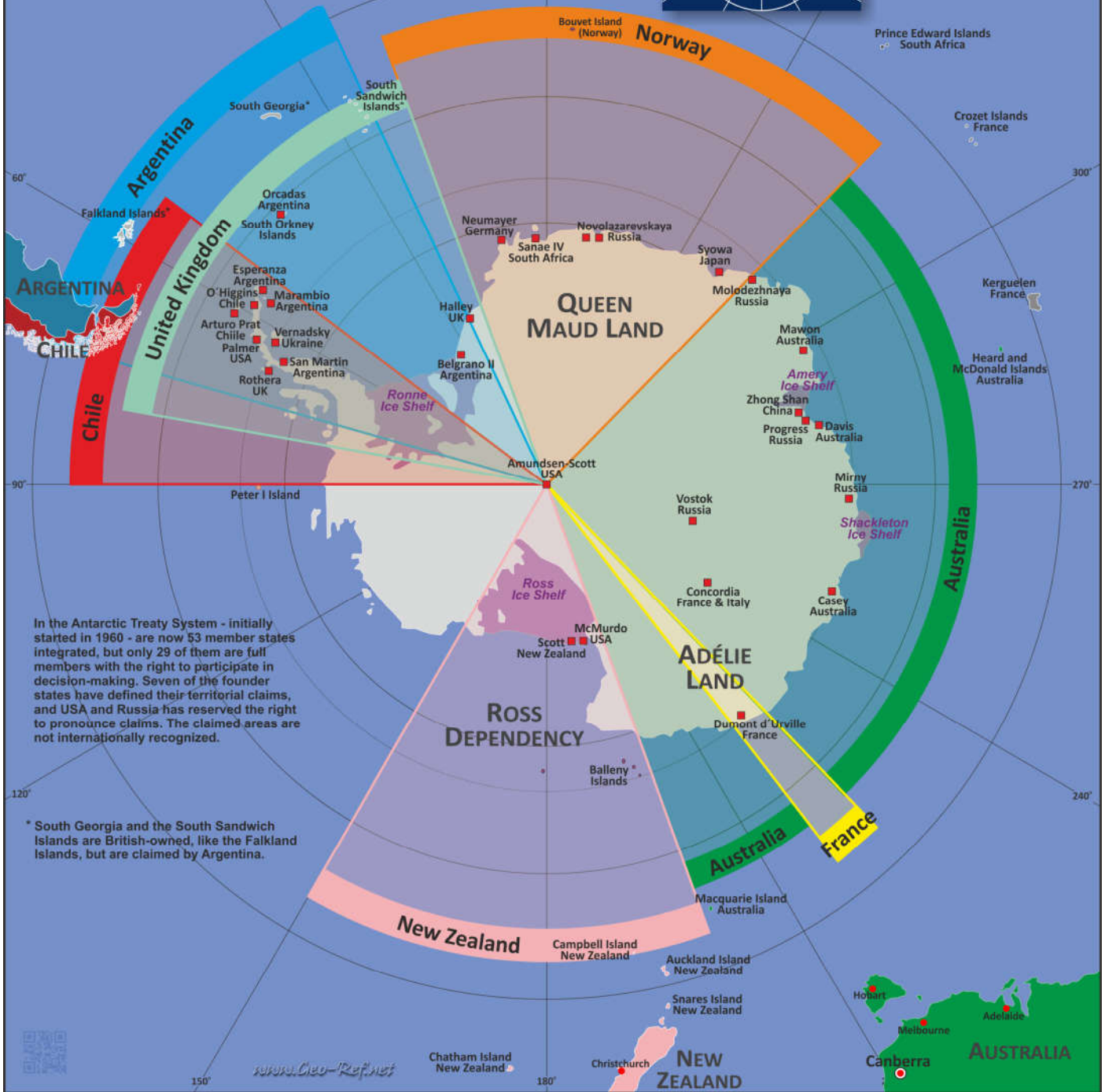


# Antarctica



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\* South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands are British-owned, like the Falkland Islands, but are claimed by Argentina.

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