## **New Zealand to create giant marine reserve** Waters north of New Zealand are set to become one of the world's largest ocean sanctuaries. covering an area roughly the size of France, with a full ban on fishing and mining Kermadec KERMADEC OCEAN SANCTUARY Islands Area: 620,000 sq km (239,400 sq miles) Includes chain of islands and world's longest chain SOUTH of underwater volcanoes PACIFIC OCEAN Contains 10km deep Kermadec trench -Underwater deepest ocean floor in Tasman southern hemisphere volcanoes Sea Home to Auckland endangered **Exclusive** marine life **Economic** including whales. North Zone dolphins and Island turtles Wellington **NEW ZEALAND** South Island 400km 250 miles MARINE PROTECTED AREAS RECENTLY ANNOUNCED Pitcairn Islands Marine Reserve (UK, 2015) 834.000 sa km **PACIFIC** CEAN INDIAN OCFAN Coral Sea Commonwealth Marine Reserve **Easter Island Marine Park:** Kermadec (Australia, 2012) Chile to unveil plan on Oct 5-6. Ocean 989.800 sa km Sanctuary 720,000 sa km Sources: Pew Environment Group, Marine Conservation Institute © GRAPHIC NEWS