

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART II**

Informal Working Group – Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to council2022@isa.org.jm.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

UK

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Regulation 102

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

[Remote monitoring]

Regulation 102

2. All [~~mining vessels~~ Installations] and mining collectors [~~involved in exploitation activities under the Exploitation contract activities~~] shall be fitted with [~~an electronic monitoring system~~] [~~asatellite positioning device~~]. Such system shall record [~~in real time~~], inter alia, the date, time and position of all mining activities, [~~and, where technically possible, shall also provide environmental data~~]. The detail and frequency of reporting shall be [~~in accordance with the Standards and taking into account the Guidelines~~].

2.bis The Contractor shall use the best-available techniques to monitor in real-time and in the actual environment the mining impact, including the removal of mineral resources, plume dispersal, and sound, allowing for adaptive management during the mining operation.

4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

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Para 2 – The UK supports the use of electronic monitoring equipment to establish the location of mining equipment and to support environmental monitoring. However, the UK’s main concern is how this Regulation with the amendments unhelpfully conflates both of the issues which in turns creates complications in how the data is collected, transmitted and to whom it is provided.

Para 2 bis – The UK supports the making of environmental data publically available, including remote monitoring data, however the UK recognizes that there may be

security concerns relating to the release of data pinpointing the precise location of mining equipment. This should be linked in a separate environmental Regulation to environmental provisions in Part IV Regs 46 ter and Regs 48 at least.