

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

Informal Working Group – Environment

(for inclusion in the IWG-ENV consultations, due 15 April 2022)

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.

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Advisory Committee on Protection of the Sea

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

ANNEX VII – Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan – Template – section 2(f)

Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation 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.

DELETE from current proposed text ISBA/27/C/IWG/ENV/CRP.1 (8 Feb 2022) ANNEX VII – EMMP Template – Section 2(f)

“...to minimize the harm ...”

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“... prevent, reduce and control the harm ...”

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

LOSC Part XI does not use “minimize” in the context of harm to the marine environment. It requires “prevention, reduction and control.” The use of ‘minimize’ here is incompatible with the LOSC, fails to adequately protect the marine environment as the LOSC requires, and makes the regulations vulnerable to legal challenge.

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(i) The location ... and impact reference zones, ~~or~~ other spatial management planning tools;

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(i) The location ... and impact reference zones, as well as other spatial management planning tools;

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All spatial management planning tools must be described.