

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART 2**

***Informal Working Group - Environment***

*Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete.*

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

African Group of 47 Member States

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

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**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.**

2. Paragraph 1 above shall not apply if such disposal, dumping or discharge into the Marine Environment is ~~carried out~~ necessary for the safety of the vessel or Installation or the safety of human life, provided that all reasonable measures are taken to minimize the likelihood of damage to human life and of ~~Serious~~ Harm to the Marine Environment and , if such harm has occurred, to monitor and Mitigate its impacts, [and such disposal, dumping or discharge shall be reported forthwith to the Authority] a Contractor shall report any disposal, dumping or discharge under this paragraph to the Authority, as soon as possible.

2bis. If ~~Serious~~ Harm to the Marine Environment occurs as a result of disposal, dumping or discharge in accordance with paragraph 2, the Contractor shall monitor and mitigate the impacts of such harm.

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

We note that the Standard for Mining Discharges and its assessment framework, mentioned in para (1)(a), has not yet been developed nor is it listed in the current priority list developed by the LTC as a Standard requiring development.

Regarding para 2, we request the word ‘Serious’ to be deleted, as any Harm should be avoided and monitored if it occurs.