

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

***Informal Working Group - Environment***

*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](mailto:council2022@isa.org.jm).*

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

Belgium

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

Regulation 46ter

**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. The Contractor shall establish and implement monitoring programmes, after approval by ~~cooperate with~~ the Authority and the sponsoring State or States ~~in the establishment and implementation of monitoring programmes.~~

3. The Contractor shall report annually in writing to the Secretary-General on the implementation and results of the monitoring programme referred to in paragraph 2, in accordance with regulation 38, paragraph 2(g), and shall submit data and information, in accordance with the relevant Standards, and taking into account the relevant Guidelines and recommendations issued by the Commission. The Secretary- General shall transmit such reports to the Commission for its consideration pursuant to article 165 of the Convention and publish them on the Authority’s website.

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

The Contractor is the primary responsible party for conducting (and financing) the monitoring programme on its activities. This after approval by the Authority and the sponsoring State(s), since the monitoring is a key tool in the surveillance on the activities. For the sake of transparency, Belgium is in favor of the publication of the monitoring report on the Authority’s website.