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

Informal Working Group – Institutional matters

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

Chile

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

Regulation 3 g)

3. 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.

Regulation 3

(g) In order to assist the Authority in carrying out its policy and duties under section 7 of the annex to the Agreement, Contractors shall use their best endeavours, upon the request of the Economic Planning Commission Economic Planning Commission Secretary-General, to provide or facilitate access to such information as is reasonably required by the Secretary General to prepare studies of the potential impact of Exploitation in the Area on the economies of developing land - based producers of those Minerals which are likely to be most seriously affected. The content of any such studies shall take account of the relevant Guidelines.

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

The expressions that the contractors will "use their best efforts" or "reasonably". We consider that the language used is very broad and uncertain. To avoid the expressions being subject to multiple interpretations in their future application, we suggest using another expression or, if the same one is used, indicating, in a clear manner, which would be the situations of impossibility, since the current wording is very broad and open-ended. We also see it as a function of the economic planning commission.