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

Informal Working Group - Financial terms

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:

China

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

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 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.

*Note: China's amendments are in Blue

Audit and inspection by the Authority

- 3. An Inspector may, in connection with a liability for a royalty payment:
- (b) Inspect, audit and examine—any—documents, papers, records and data available relating to the calculation of royalty at the —Contractor's offices or on-board—any mining vessel or Installation;
- 4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

This is a provision relating to royalty and the documents, papers, records and data concerned should be limited to the royalty-related. According to Article 157 of the Convention, the Authority is the organization organize and control activities in the Area, not outside the Area. Therefore, the Contractor's offices or vessels outside the Area shall not be included in this provision.