

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

***Informal Working Group – Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement***

*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:**

France

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

ISBA/25/C/WP.1 - Regulation 98 (e) et (h)

**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 98  
Inspectors’ powers**

1. An Inspector may, for the purposes of monitoring or enforcing compliance with the Rules of the Authority and the terms of the exploitation contract:

[...]

(e) Inspect or test any machinery or equipment under the supervision of the Contractor or its agents or employees that, in the Inspector’s opinion, is being or is intended to be used for the purposes of the Exploitation activities, unless such inspection or testing will unreasonably interfere with the Contractor’s operations [in the Area](#) ;

[...]

(h) Require the Contractor to carry out such procedures in respect of any equipment used for or in connection with the Exploitation activities as may be deemed necessary by the Inspector, unless such procedures will unreasonably interfere with the Contractor’s operations [in the Area](#) ; and

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

Suggest to qualify the types of activities concerned by the regulation – more accurate with this qualifier