TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH 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.

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

Finland

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

Draft Regulation 45

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.

Regulation 45

Development of environmental Standards and Guidelines

Environmental Standards<u>and Guidelines</u> shall be developed in accordance with regulation 94 and shall include the following subject matters:

(a) Environmental quality objectives, including on biodiversity status, plume density and extent, and sedimentation rates;

- (b) Monitoring procedures; and
- (c) Mitigation measures.

2. The Authority shall not approve any Exploitation activities unless thenecessary environmental Standards and Guidelines have been adopted.

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

We consider that both Standards and Guidelines need to be included under Regulation 45. We also support the inclusion of the proposed paragraph 2.