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

Informal Working Group – Institutional Matters

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:

Germany

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

Regulation 2

- 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.
 - (d) Provide for the protection of human life and safety;
 (d bis) Ensure that Regional Environmental Management Plans are adopted by the
 Authority before exploitation activities are permitted in the respective areas, while
 preventing any misuse of Regional Environmental Management Plans to block Plans
 of Work;
- 4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

REMP are an essential tool to collect information, to allow for an integrative assessment on a regional scale in particular considering other legitimate uses and cumulative effects and to provide for a level playing fields for all contractors. Thus, REMP should be in place before an application for an exploitation projects could be submitted. However, this requirement should not be misused to block plans of work.