

TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> 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: GERMANY**

Federal Republic of Germany

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

Draft Regulation 47

**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 47**

**Environmental Impact Statement**

1. The purpose of the Environmental Impact Statement is to document the anticipated environmental impacts of the proposed mining operation, as predicted by the environmental impact assessment including through the test mining study, where applicable, and to thereby enable the Authority to assess these impacts against any agreed Standards for the protection of the marine environment.  ~~, which~~ The Environmental Impact Statement shall accompany an application for approval of a Plan of Work in accordance with regulation 7, is to document and report the results of the environmental impact assessment carried out in accordance with Regulation 46bis.

2. The ~~An applicant or Contractor, as the case may be,~~ shall prepare an Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with this regulation.

3. The Environmental Impact Statement shall be in the form and deliver the contents as prescribed by the Authority in annex IV to these regulations and shall ~~be~~:

(a) ~~Be Inclusive inclusive of~~ include a prior environmental risk assessment;

(b) ~~Be Based based~~ on the results of the environmental impact assessment;

(c) Refer to the relevant baseline data on the status of the marine environment, collected according to the relevant Standard and the relevant REMP;

~~(b)~~(d) Refer to the results of the performed test mining study, where applicable;

~~(e)~~(e) Identify comments received through public consultation on the environmental impact assessment and how they have been addressed;

~~(ed)~~ Be in accordance with the objectives and measures of the relevant regional environmental management plan; and

~~(de)~~ Be Prepared-prepared in accordance with the applicable Standard and Guidelines, Good Industry Practice, Best Available Scientific Evidence, Best Environmental Practices and Best Available Techniques. It should be specifically referred to the relevant environmental baseline data.

4. The Environmental Impact Statement shall demonstrate that the proposed mining operation is in accordance with all relevant environmental Standards and with the requirements of the relevant Regional Environmental Management Plan.

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

We support most amendments by the Facilitator (in blue). In addition, we have a few amendments (red). In Para 2, It is unclear to us, how a Contractor is no Applicant. Contractor should be deleted. In the order of the Regulations, this DR should follow the DR on EIAs.