

**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 and send to [council2022@isa.org.jm](mailto:council2022@isa.org.jm).*

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

Japan

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

Annex IV Environmental Impact Statement

**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.**

13.1 Consultation methods

Describe the mechanisms(s) used to consult with different groups and how this aligns with any relevant ~~consultation obligations~~ [Standards and Guidelines](#).

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

As “any relevant consultation obligations” is ambiguous, Japan proposes to replace with “any relevant Standards and Guidelines.”