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 and send to 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.

Regulation 47 Environmental Impact Statement

- 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.
 - 3. (c) Identify comments received through <u>public stakeholder</u> consultation on the environmental impact assessment and how they have been addressed <u>in accordance</u> <u>with relevant Standards and Guidelines</u>.
- 4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

It is important that the consistency is maintained for the scope of stakeholders, as well as the methodology for implementation of stakeholder consultation, to ensure appropriate implementation of stakeholder consultation. This could be applied the same for comments received during environmental impact assessment process. Japan therefore considers a specific period for submission of the comments on environmental impact assessment should be established in the EIA Standards and Guidelines and it is appropriate to report on the EIS such comments received through stakeholder consultation that was undertaken in accordance with relevant Standards and Guidelines. Consistency in wording is strongly recommended, i.e. public consultation, stakeholder consultation, etc.