

**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.

Draft standards and guidelines for environmental impact assessment process

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.

More detailed information regarding public consultation shall be added to “V. The environmental impact assessment process” of draft Standard for the environmental impact assessment process, as well as “III. Scoping” and “IV. Impact assessment” of draft guidelines for the environmental impact assessment process, such as when public consultation shall be implemented during environmental impact assessment process, minimum number of consultations to be implemented, methods for notification of consultation, duration to receive comments on environmental impact assessment and etc.

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 public consultation, to ensure appropriate implementation of stakeholder consultation. Japan therefore proposes to add more detailed information regarding public consultation to relevant parts of draft standard and guidelines for the environmental impact assessment process.