

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

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Regulation 2. Alt 1.

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These Regulations and any decisions or activities undertaken ~~thereby under them,~~ shall must be consistent with and be implemented in conformity with the Convention, the Agreement and applicable international public law ~~other relevant international agreements,~~ and taking into consideration the Rules of the Authority and its ~~and in pursuance of the Authority’s production policy, environmental policy, sustainably policy, accountability policy and the Authority strategic objectives.~~

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

All decisions and activities in the context of exploitation shall be interpreted, implemented and applied in a manner consistent with the Convention and with Part XI Agreement. The Rules of the Authority, as defined in the terms, comprise provisions of distinct legal nature that shall be applied accordingly to such nature.

The reference “relevant international treaties” is limited to conventional law that applies only to States parties to each Treaty. Its reference would mislead the scope of application of these Regulations that shall be construed in the context of UNCLOS and international public law, as applicable.

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b. Exploitation activities in the Area shall not commence until the legal framework intended for the effective protection and preservation of the Marine Environment is adopted and scientific evidence demonstrates that the Exploitation activities are conducted in such a manner as not to cause significant and harmful changes to the Marine Environment and its resources and to effectively protect and preserve the Marine Environment pursuant to Part XII of UNCLOS.

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In accordance with the precautionary principle and the prevention approach, Exploitation activities in the Area can only proceed when the legal frameworks is adopted and there scientific evidence that provides that exploitation activities are not to cause significant and harmful changes to the marine environment. This provsion is intended to provide a strong and effective legal framework based in best availabe science in order to comply with art. 145 and Part XII of UNCLOS and to ensure the preservation and protection of the marine environment.

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A fundamental condition for Exploitation ~~the approval of a plan of work~~ shall be that the plan of work is sufficient to ensure the effective protection and preservation ~~conservation~~ of the Marine Environment and its resources, including its ecological balance, biological diversity and ecological integrity;

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Mexico considers that it is important to subject exploitation activities, not the approval of a plan of work, to ensuring the preservation and protection of the marine environment.