

TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> SESSION: COUNCIL  
- PART II

*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: Mexico**
- 2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.  
Regulation 44 bis**
- 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.**

[No exploitation shall commence until a Regional Environmental Management Plan for the particular area concerned is adopted by the Council. In the event that an application of a Plan of Work is submitted for an area where no such Regional Environmental Management Plan is adopted, the drafting of a Regional Environmental Management Plan applicable to the area in concern shall be prioritized and adopted in accordance of Section 2, Article 15b/c of the Agreement.](#)

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

For sake of coherence and clarity environmental regulatory framework shall be harmonized with the environmental policies of the ISA.

Contractors shall take into account the RMPs in the elaboration of its work plans, its EIAs, EIS, MRP, etc. Thus, for an exploitation activity to initiate, a REMPS for the exploitation area shall be adopted and established prior of the commencement of the activity.