

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH 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.

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

- 2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.**
Regulation 59.2.

- 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.**
 2. The objectives of a Closure Plan are to ensure that:
 - (a) The closure of mining activities is a process that is incorporated into the mining life cycle, including by scheduling studies to inform Closure throughout the period of Exploitation and is conducted in accordance with Good Industry Practice, Best Environmental Practices, Best Available Techniques and Best Available Scientific Evidence;
 - (b) At the date of cessation or suspension of mining activities, a management and monitoring plan is in place for the period prescribed in a Closure Plan and in accordance with the relevant Standards and taking into account the relevant guidelines;
 - (c) The risks relating to Environmental Effects are quantified, assessed and managed, which includes the gathering of information relevant to closure or suspension;
 - (d) Any health and safety requirements related to closure activities;
 - (e) Any residual Environmental Effects continue to be monitored, identified, quantified and reported to the Authority and management responses are implemented, including plans for further Mitigation, or remediation where appropriate;
 - (f) Any necessary cleaning, restoration ~~and~~ rehabilitation commitments ~~shall~~will be fulfilled in accordance with predetermined criteria or standards by the Contractor;
 - (f)bis Requirements regarding the removal of any Installations and its parts and equipment from the Mining Area are addressed; and
 - (g) The mining activities are closed or suspended efficiently and safely.

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

In line of what has been suggested for art. 46, Closure Plan shall include cleaning, remediation, restoration and rehabilitation actions in the exploitation as general remedies in legal systems dealing with environmental law once a general assessment of the activities is performed.

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The Closure Plan shall be updated each time there is a Material Change in a Plan of Work or, in case where no such change has occurred, it shall be reviewed every 5 years. The Closure Plan shall be finalized in accordance with regulation 60.1

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The closure Plan shall be adapted and updated any time there is a material change of the Plan of Work. Whether no material change has occurred, such Closure plan shall be subject to a 5 years review to determine if it will or will not require an update. The suggested changes is to differentiate those two cases.