

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

Informal Working Group – Institutional Matters

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:

Federated States of Micronesia

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Draft exploitation regulation 11(1)(a)alt

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation 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.

(a)alt. Notify relevant adjacent coastal States in writing and place the Environmental Impact Statement, the Regional Environmental Management Plan, the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, and the Closure Plan on the Authority’s website for a period of 60 Days, and invite members of the Authority and Stakeholders to submit comments in writing in accordance with the Guidelines;

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

The FSM supports the textual proposal(s) indicated above for a para (a)alt for draft exploitation regulation 11 made by one or more Council members in 2019, as captured in ISBA/26/C/CRP.1 (with a tweak by the FSM to have separate references to the relevant REMP and EMMP). Specific and targeted notification of relevant adjacent coastal States about Environmental Plans and similar documents that pertain to activities in the Marine Environment that potentially impact the ecosystems under the jurisdiction of such relevant adjacent coastal States is necessary to ensure that such States have the fullest possible opportunity to provide substantive feedback on such Environmental Plans and similar documents.