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:

Norway

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

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 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.

A Contractor shall take all necessary <u>and appropriate</u> measures to protect and preserve the Marine Environment from harmful effects, including by preventing, reducing and controlling pollution and other hazards, including marine litter and underwater noise from its activities in the Area, in accordance with the the-its Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan and all applicable Rules of the Authority, the [relevant] applicable Regional Environmental Management Plan, if any and the applicable Standards and taking account of the applicable Guidelines.

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

- -Norway suggests the following first sentence: "A contractor shall take all necessary and appropriate measures to protect the Marine Environment from harmful effects,". As we understand it, this formulation is common in international environmental law.
- -We support the insertion of "from harmful effects" which ensures consistency with DR 44 (1) and other DR.
- -Norway does not support the listing of specific types of pollution because it risks narrowing the scope of the provision.