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

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 <u>council2022@isa.org.jm</u>.

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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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.

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

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

Norway suggests adding "all" necessary measures. Suggests also deleting "and preserve" because "preserving" the Marine Environment seems impossible when removing mass from the seabed. The phrase "from harmful effects" should be added for consistency with DR 44 para 1 and other DR. Norway does not support the listing of specific types of pollution as it risks narrowing the scope of the provision.