

**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.

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

Pew Charitable Trusts

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

DR 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.

Propose to delete and insert alternative text

Alt. These Regulations, and any decisions or activities undertaken under them, must be implemented in conformity with the Convention, and in pursuance of the Authority’s production policy, environmental policy, sustainability policy, accountability policy, and the Authority’s strategic objectives.

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

This DR2 has become an unwieldy “catch-all” - it now contains over 30 items. Furthermore, DR2 is not comprehensively cross-referenced in other Regulations in a manner that would give it operational effect. The proposed Alt. wording that links DR to ISA decision-making aims to give DR2 more meaningful application. It also implements the proposal made by the USA that the long list of items in DR2 should be deleted in favor of a simplified, operational approach wherein the suite of ISA policy documents are simply cross-referenced in DR2, with a requirement that the Regulations are implemented in conformity with them. These policy documents should be developed as a matter of priority (before the Regulations) and can contain many of the important points that are currently listed in DR2.