

**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:

SPAIN

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

Regulation 1

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.

1 alt. Terms used in these regulations shall have the same meaning as those **in the Convention, the Agreement and the Rules of the Authority.**

4alt. Nothing in these Regulations shall prejudice the rights, jurisdiction and duties of States under the Convention, **including the right to conduct scientific research pursuant to article 143 and 256 of the Convention, and the exercise by States of the freedom of the high seas, as reflected in article 87 of the Convention.** These Regulations shall be interpreted and applied in the context of and in a manner consistent with the Convention.

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

1 alt. In the Schedule (Use of terms and scope) “Rules of the Authority” should means these regulations and other rules, regulations and procedures of the Authority as may be adopted from time to time. We should delete Convention and Agreement, which are international treaties. 4 alt This paragraph refers to Articles 143 and 256 which guarantee the freedom of scientific research in the Area. The formula used in the 1995 Agreement to refer to the freedoms of the high seas of Article 87 is preferred