

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:council2022@isa.org.jm).*

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

**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 necessary measures to protect ~~and~~ **and preserve** the Marine Environment from harmful effects, including by preventing, reducing and controlling pollution and other hazards, from its activities in the Area, in accordance with ~~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.

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

We propose maintaining “and preserve” regarding the Marine Environment to be consistent with the Convention. There appeared to be an extra word in the third line, which we have struck editorially. Finally, we also agree with the many delegations who prefer to strike “if any” after referencing the applicable REMP.