

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

Informal Working Group on ENVIRONMENT

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46bis.2b(i)-(vi) “ ~~[(i) The intensity or severity of the impact at the specific site being affected;(ii) The spatial extent of the impact relative to the availability of the habitat type affected;(iii) The sensitivity/vulnerability of the ecosystem to the impact;(iv) The ability of an ecosystem to recover from harm, and the rate of such recovery;(v) The extent to which ecosystem functions may be altered by the impact; and (vi) The timing and duration of the impact relative to the period in which a species needs the habitat during one or more of its life history stages.]”~~

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This part is too detailed to be provided for in the regulation. It would be more appropriately to be specified in the standards or guidelines.

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Regarding 46bis.7 "Environmental Impact Assessment" and paragraph 46ter.4 "Environmental Monitoring", it is suggested that the Authority clarify the procedures and time requirements for consultation with coastal States to better guide the relevant consultations.