

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

**Informal Working Group on ENVIRONMENT**

*Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to [council@isa.org.jm](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

**1. Name of Working Group:**

IWG ENVIRONMENT

**2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:**

CHINA

**3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.**

Regulation 60 Final Closure Plan: cessation of production

**4. 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.**

**\*Note:China’s amendments are in Blue**

1 “A Contractor shall, at least 24 months prior to the planned end of Commercial Production, or as soon as is reasonably practicable in the case of any unexpected cessation, submit to the Secretary-General, for the consideration of the Commission, a final Closure Plan,~~determined in accordance with the procedures established in Regulation 57,~~”

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

Regulation 57 is about “Modification of a Plan of Work by a Contractor”. The final closure plan is irrelevant to whether the contractor changes the plan of work. Therefore, it is suggested to delete the phrase “determined in accordance with the procedures established in regulation 57” .