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

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to <u>council@isa.org.jm</u>.

1. Name of Working Group: Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement

- 2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: Federal Republic of Germany
- **3.** Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers. DR 1
- 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.

6. These regulations are complemented by Standards and Guidelines, as referred to in these regulations and the annexes thereto, as well as by further rules, regulations and procedures of the Authority, in particular on the protection and preservation of the Marine Environment, including regional environmental management plans.

8. These regulations are subject to the provisions of the Convention and the Agreement and other <u>[applicable]</u> rules of international law not incompatible with the Convention.

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

We agree with the need to ensure that there is explicit mention of REMPs given how important they are, but also to make clear that this is not an exhaustive list, as it is merely indicative. Hence, we propose including terms such as "including" and "such as".

As for paragraph 8, while we are content with the provision as it is (and this matches the exploration regulations), we are open to adding the word "applicable". This should reduce the concerns raised by one or a few delegations at the last meeting (pointing to the fact that some states may not be parties to certain treaties or are persistent objectors). To be clear, we do not agree to delete this paragraph.