

**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 council@isa.org.jm.

1. Name of Working Group:

President's text

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

Republic of Nauru

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

Reg 25(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.

1. At least 12 months prior to the proposed commencement of production in a Mining Area, the Contractor shall provide to the ~~{Secretary-General}{Commission}~~ a Feasibility Study prepared in accordance with Good Industry Practice, taking into account the applicable Guidelines ~~{as well as the results of the test mining study pursuant to Regulation [48bis], paragraph 2 or 3, as applicable, and in accordance with Annex {IV ter}}~~. In the light of the Feasibility Study ~~{and the test mining study}~~, the Secretary-General shall consider whether any Material Change needs to be made to the Plan of Work in accordance with regulation 57 (2). If he or she determines that any such Material Change needs to be made, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Secretary-General a revised Plan of Work accordingly ~~{the Secretary-General shall consider whether any Material Change needs to be made to the Plan of Work in accordance with regulation 57 (2). If he or she determines that any such Material Change needs to be made, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Secretary-General a revised Plan of Work accordingly}~~ ~~{If the Secretary-General considers any Material Change needs to be made to the Plan of Work, he or she shall submit this matter to the Commission. If the Commission determines as such, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Commission a revised Plan of Work accordingly}~~.

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

We suggest that the obligation on the S-G to make a determination on whether a material change must be made to the plan of work be re-instated for administrative expediency and to be consistent with regulation 57. Text relating to test mining is accepted.