

**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.

Schedule Use of Terms and Scope

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.

"Good Industry Practice" [~~"Best Industry Practice"~~] means the exercise of that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to be applied by a skilled and experienced person engaged in the marine mining industry and other related extractive industries worldwide, [~~based on Best Environmental Practice, which is based on Best Available Scientific Information and Best Available Technology~~]. [~~Employment of the latest widely accepted stage of development (state of the art) of processes, of facilities or of methods of operation, consistent with the Fundamental Principles, including using skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which is an would reasonably be expected to be applied by a skilled and experienced person engaged in the marine mining industry~~]

"Material Change" means a significant change ~~that affects~~ to the fundamental basis on which ~~the an~~ original report, document or plan, including a Plan of Work, was accepted or approved by the Authority, and includes changes such as physical modifications, [~~changes to harmful effects of activities on the Marine Environment, environmental effects or effects on stakeholders~~] the availability of new knowledge or technology and changes to operational management that are to be considered in the light of the applicable Guidelines.

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

Good industry practice: we have a preference for the original text. GIP is a generally accepted term in a land-based context as well as a key concept and benchmark in the regulations (see [ISBA/25/C/11](#)). While the Commission did not consider it appropriate to develop guidelines for GIP, we feel this should be revisited in due course.

Material change: in order to operationalise this term, a "threshold" (for example, "significant") needs to be incorporated into the language.