

**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:

Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment

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

The Pew Charitable Trusts

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

Annex IIIbis

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.

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

As mentioned by other member States, we support the inclusion of this additional annex, which solidifies the importance of the scoping process producing a clear document along the lines described below which can be a source of stakeholder feedback and regulatory decision-making. We encourage member States to integrate this section as drafted. Some member States suggested moving this to a Standard. While we understand those proposals we do believe the expected content of the Scoping report is lacking in 46bis, so if this were moved to a Standard we recommend some language be added 46bis (or partially be added as part of a new regulation).