

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

**1. Name of Working Group:**

President's Text

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

Portugal

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

Regulation 35 – Human remains and objects and sites of an archeological or historical nature

**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.**

The Contractor shall [immediately] notify the Secretary-General in writing within 24 hours of any finding in the Contract Area of any human remains of an archaeological or historical ~~and paleontological~~ nature, or any object or site of a similar nature, and its location, including the preservation and protection measures taken. The Secretary-General shall transmit such information, [within 7 Days of receiving it] to the Sponsoring State, to the State from which the remains, [object or site] originated, if known, to the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and to any other competent international organization. Following the finding of any such human remains, object or site in the Contract Area, and in order to avoid disturbing such human remains, object or site, no further Exploration or Exploitation shall take place, within a reasonable radius, [to be determined by the Authority] until such time as the Council decides otherwise, after taking into account the views of the State from which the remains originated, the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization or any other competent international organization

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

Human remains are not palaeontologic remains but of historical and archeological nature. Therefore, the reference to “palenteologic” in this context would not be correct.