

**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:

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

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

Regulation 44. Part IV. Draft Regulation on Exploitation of mineral resources in the Area

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.

Reg. 44 1.(iv)bis. Take into account the approach that the polluter should ~~in principle~~ bear the cost of pollution, endeavour to promote practices whereby those engaged in exploitation activities bear the cost of meeting the pollution prevention and control requirements for the authorized activities, having due regard to the public interest.

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

We consider the wording “in principle” as an escape way, if we regulate art. 44 giving the polluter the responsibility to bear the cost of his actions, it must be in all terms.