## TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> SESSION: COUNCIL - PART I

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to <u>council@isa.org.jm</u>.

- 1. Name of Working Group: IWG Institutional Matters
- 2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: Argentina
- **3.** Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers. Reg. 1, Par. 8
- 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.

8. These regulations are subject to the provisions of the Convention and the Agreement and other rules of international law not incompatible with the Convention.

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

Argentina prefers to delete the indicated expression as it creates a situation of legal uncertainty. Additionally, it should be recalled that even if a "rule of international law" is compatible with UNCLOS, it doesn't mean that it's automatically applicable to all States Parties of ISA. A State's legal obligations are based on its consent to be bound.