

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART II**

*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:**

Open Ended Working Group

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

Canada and Australia

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

Regulation 62: Equality of Treatment

**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 Council shall, based on the recommendations of the Commission, apply the provisions of this Part ~~in~~ on a uniform, transparent, and non-discriminatory ~~basis manner~~, and shall ensure equality of financial treatment and comparable financial obligations for Contractors.

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

Canada and Australia would like to propose the addition of "transparent" in addition to "uniform" and "non-discriminatory basis" which are from Article 13 (1) of Annex III to the Convention. Transparency is a cross cutting priority and should be part of this regulation.