

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH 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 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:

Norway

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

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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

~~2bis. Transparency shall be guaranteed during the Closure process and relevant stakeholders shall be consulted in the Closure Plan design.~~

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

- Norway understands and welcomes the intent behind 2bis, but believes that it is not clearly formulated. Formal stakeholder consultation is required on the Environmental Plans according to DR11, of which the Closure Plan forms part, and therefore 2bis seems unnecessary.