

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

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete.

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

Federal Republic of Germany

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

Draft Regulation 18bis

3. 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.

[Regulation18 bis

Obligations of the Contractors.

1. Contractor shall comply with these Regulations and the Rules of the Authority in a manner consistent with the Convention and the Agreement.
2. Contractors, their holding, subsidiaries, affiliated and Ultimate Parent companies, agencies, partnerships, and suppliers shall be held liable for the compliance of the Contract. Particularly, they shall be jointly and severally liable for the obligation of compensating damages arising from Exploitation Activities.
3. ~~Whether~~ Where Contractors fail to comply with their payment obligations under these Regulations, holdings and Ultimate Parent Companies shall be held responsible to effect such payments to the Authority on behalf of Contractors.
4. Sponsoring States shall take all legislative and administrative measures to assure that Contractors have all material, operative, and financial means to comply with the Contract and these Regulations and that no corporate limitation shall prevent Contractors, holding and Ultimate Parent Companies to compensate damages and make the payment required by the Contractors under the Contract and these Regulations.]

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

We strongly support the suggested text for this regulation.