

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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 50

**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.**

**Regulation 50**

**Restriction on Mining Discharges**

1. A Contractor shall not dispose, dump or discharge into the Marine Environment any Mining Discharge, except where such disposal, dumping or discharge is permitted in accordance with:

- (a) The assessment framework for Mining Discharges as set out in the Standard; ~~and~~
- (b) The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan; ~~and~~
- (c) International applicable rules and regulations set out by the International Maritime Authority Organization.

2. Paragraph 1 above shall not apply if such disposal, dumping or discharge into the Marine Environment is necessary for the safety of the vessel or Installation or the safety of human life, provided that ~~all reasonable measures are taken to such disposal, dumping or discharge is conducted so as to all minimize the likelihood of damage-harm to human life and of prevent Serious Harm to the Marine Environment, and If Serious-Harm to the Marine Environment occurs as a result of disposal, dumping or discharge, the Contractor shall monitor and mitigate the impacts of such harm, if such harm has occurred, to monitor and Mitigate its impacts, and such disposal, dumping or discharge and shall be reported forthwith to the Authority a Contractor shall report any about such disposal, dumping or discharge under this paragraph to the Authority, as soon as possible.~~

3. The disposal, dumping or discharge into the Marine Environment of any Mining Discharge that is ~~not permitted not in accordance with regulation 50(1) or 50(2) paragraphs 1 and 2 above~~ in accordance with ~~paragraphs 1 and 2 above~~ is considered an ~~U~~unauthorized Mining Discharge and constitutes a Notifiable Event under regulation 34 and Appendix 1.

~~[4. This Regulation shall be, where applicable, interpreted and applied in a manner that is consistent with the obligations of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping Wastes and Other Matters, 1972 and the 1996 Protocol thereto, where applicable, in particular Articles 4 and 10.]~~

~~54. The applicant or contractor must also keep a register of discharges that shall be reported annually to the Authority as part of the mandatory annual report that must be prepared throughout the operation.~~

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

We see the need to discuss in depth the relevance and applicability of the London Convention and Protocol and can currently not agree to the deletion of Paragraph 4.