

**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:** Council President's Text

- 2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:** Federated States of Micronesia

- 3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.** Draft Regulation 94(2)

- 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.**

2. The Council shall consider and approve, upon the recommendation of the Commission [and taking into account statements submitted by Stakeholders during a public consultation,] [and giving due consideration to submission by stakeholders in the framework of the Public Consultations] the Standards, provided that such Standards are consistent with the intent and purpose of the Rules of the Authority [and] [including] [the decisions of the Council and the Assembly and developed on the basis of Best Available Scientific Evidence, Best Environmental Practices, Best Available Techniques, and Good Industry Practice]. If the Council does not approve such Standards, the Council shall return the Standards to the Commission for reconsideration in the light of the views expressed by the Council.

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

The Federated States of Micronesia proposes tweaking paragraph 2 of DR 94 to clarify that Standards are developed on the basis of not just Best Available Scientific Evidence, but also on the bases of Best Environmental Practices, Best Available Techniques, and Good Industry Practice, all of which are referenced in connection with various elements of the DRs that will likely be complemented by such Standards (particularly DRs pertaining to the environment).