

**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:** Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement

- 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 96(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 Contractor shall permit the Authority to send its Inspectors, who ~~shall~~ upon request by sponsoring States, any other State Party or other party concerned be accompanied by a representative of the sponsoring State, other State Party or other party concerned, aboard all vessels and Installations used in the Area by the Contractor to carry out Exploitation activities under an exploitation contract. To that end, States Parties, in particular any State or States in whose national jurisdiction or on whose vessel the Authority wishes to conduct inspection activities, shall assist the [Council], [Authority] and Inspectors in discharging their functions under the Rules of the Authority.

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

Without prejudice to the output of the intersessional working group on the institutional arrangements for an Inspectorate/Compliance Committee, the Federated States of Micronesia proposes opening the brackets in paragraph 2 pertaining to requests by Sponsoring States, any other State Party or other party concerned with respect to accompanying Inspectors during inspections. This aligns with currently unbracketed text on the same matter in paragraph 5(g) of the same DR.