

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART III**

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:

IWG - Environment

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

Republic of Nauru

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

Regulation 48(3)bis

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.

~~3bis. In addition to the Monitoring required to be performed by the Contractor, Tthe Environmental Management Plan shall contain a supplementary monitoring programme for at least the first seven years of Exploitation, to be conducted by independent experts and in compliance with the applicable Standards. The Contractor shall conduct monitoring for the entire duration of exploitation and comply with any post closure monitoring requirements.~~

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

In line with our comments on regulation 46ter, paragraph 3, we consider the additional requirement that independent experts conduct supplementary monitoring of activities for at least the first 7 years of exploitation unnecessary. Contractors are required to implement the approved EMMP which will reflect the necessary monitoring requirements.