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.

The facilitators' proposed amendments are reflected in red.

Pew's proposed amendments and our questions or comments regarding the facilitator's remarks are indicated as in-line edits in blue. Where we propose deletions of the facilitator's text this is shown-in strikethrough and bold.

1. Name of Working Group:

IWG Environment

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

Pew Charitable Trusts

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

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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.

24. The purpose of the Environmental Impact Statement, which shall accompany an application for approval of a Plan of Work in accordance with regulation 7, is to document and report the results of the environmental impact assessment carried out in accordance with Regulation 46bis.

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

Regarding paragraph 2, a new or revised EIS will also need to be submitted if a material change to an existing plan of work is proposed as well as under other circumstances. These instances are covered in the new para 3 under 46bis. As such, we recommend deleting 'which shall accompany an application for approval of a Plan of Work in accordance with regulation 7' as this the reference to 46bis is in our view sufficient.