## TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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:

**IWG** Institutional

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

**Russian Federation** 

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

Reg. 58

- 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.
  - 1. A Plan of Work shall be reviewed Aat intervals not exceeding five years from the date of signature of the exploitation contract, or by decision of the Council based on the recommendations of the Commission considered, in taking into account the applicable standards, where, according to the relevant organ of the Authority, as appropriate, there have occurred that any of the following events or changes of circumstance have occurred in taking into account the applicable standards:
  - (a) A proposed Material Change in the implementation of the Plan of Work;
  - (a.bis) Identification of a new <u>significant</u> environmental risk, or a significant change to existing risk calculations;

(a.ter) An indication that the cumulative <u>impacts\_effects\_of</u> the Exploitation activities exceed any environmental <u>objectives or</u> thresholds <del>as</del> established under the applicable <del>Regional Environmental Management Plan</del>Standards;

————(a.qtr) New <u>significant</u> information relevant to the effective protection of the marine environment.

- (b) Any Incident;
- (c) Recommendations for improvement in procedures or practices following an inspection report under regulation 100;
- (d) A performance assessment which requires action under regulation 52 (8);
- (e) Changes in ownership or financing which may adversely affect the financial capability of the Contractor;

- (f) <u>Significant Cchanges in Best Available Techniques;</u>
- (g) Significant Cchanges in Best Available Scientific Information; or
- (h) Operational management changes, including changes to subcontractors (after review by the Commission, the relevant organ of the Authority as appropriate shall review with the Contractor the Contractor's activities under the Plan of Work), and the Commission such organ shall recommend to the Council discuss—whether any modifications to the Plan of Work are necessary or desirable.
- 3. The Secretary-General shall report on each review to the Commission and Council, and the sponsoring State or States. Where, as a result of a review, Material Changes need to be made to the Plan of Work, the Commission shall recommend said changes to the Council, and the Contractor shall implement them. Where, as a result of a review, the Contractor wishes to make any changes to a Plan of Work and such changes are Material Changes requiring the approval of the Council, based on the recommendation of the Commission, the Contractor shall seek that approval in accordance with regulation 57 (2) and, where applicable, regulation 57 (3).
- Alt 1. 3. The organ in charge of the review shall report on each review to the Commission and Council, the sponsoring State or States and the relevant coastal states. Where, as a result of a review, material changes need to be made to the Plan of Work, the Commission shall recommend said changes to the Council, and the Contractor shall implement such changes as soon as viable. Where, as a result of a review, the Contractor wishes to make any changes to a Plan of Work and such changes are Material Changes requiring the approval of the Council, based on the recommendation of the Commission, the Contractor shall seek that approval in accordance with regulation 57 (2) and, where applicable, regulation 57 (3).
- 4. For the purpose of the review, the Contractor shall provide all information required by the Secretary-General in the manner and at the times the Secretary-General <u>reasonable</u> requests.

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

- 1. We tried to capture that Council will decide, based on the recommendations of the Commission, at which cases the review of a Plan of Work would be necessary. However, criteria of "significance" (with regard to risks, information, changes in techniques, etc.) need to be developed. We guess that it would be an issue of relevant Standards. The definition of environmental risk is also necessary.
- 3.\_We added one provision from Alt.1.3 to paragraph 3 in aim to capture different possible situations.