

**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:

Informal Working Group on the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment

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

Spain

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

Annex IV paragraph 8

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.

Add two new subparagraphs on “Compensation measures” and on “Impacts in Marine Protected Areas” with the consequent following subparagraphs: “potential impacts and issues to be addressed”, “Environmental management measures to mitigate impacts” and “residual impacts”

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

In paragraph 46bis.2.c there is a reference to the possibility of “offset environmental effects”. This concept may be put in place through “compensation measures” that are missing in all this paragraph 8 where only mitigation measures are mentioned. Therefore, for the sake of coherence, compensation measures also need to be included.

We propose a new subparagraph addressing impacts in “Marine Protected Areas” in which the impact and the implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives will be assessed.