

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART II**

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:
Interoceanmetal Joint Organization**
- 3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.
DR46bis**

DR 46bis para 1. “A Contractor shall [...] observe, measure, evaluate and analyse [...] the environmental thresholds contained in the Standards, and risks to (of? - IOM) Environmental Effects on the Marine Environment arising from Exploitation”

Comment: One cannot measure threshold but one can measure parametres so we propose to remove “measure”. In general we support the proposal of rewording this provision

46bis para 2.Alt “A Contractor shall establish and implement an environmental monitoring programme, **after approval by the Authority and the sponsoring State or States** of the Contractor’s environmental management and monitoring plan.”

Comment: According to this provision the Contractor’s environmental management and monitoring plan should be approved the sponsoring State or States. As far as we understand there is no other document requiring approval of the sponsoring State / States so IOM would like to ask for the reasons of a need for such approval in case of EMMP.