

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto: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.**

Regulation 46 [ter] [bis] Environmental monitoring

**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.**

3. In addition to the Monitoring conducted by the Contractor pursuant to Paragraph 2,) t The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan shall [cover all stages of the mining life cycle, and on submission for approval]contain a monitoring programme for at least the first [~~seven~~] [~~seven~~][five] years of the mining project Exploitation, to be conducted by independent experts and in compliance with the applicable Standards [and taking account of the relevant guidelines].

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

The proposal is to recover the [seven] as a point for discussion. The reason to use five instead of seven is not clear. No explanation or real discussion took place during last meeting in July.  
\* NOTE: there is also a reference to seven years (no mention made there to possible [five]) in Regulation [48] [46ter] 3 bis.