

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

Informal Working Group - Environment

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(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

DOSI (Deep Ocean Stewardship initiative)

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

42(1)(ii-iii)

3. 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.

(ii) Apply the Best Available Techniques and Best Environmental Practices taking into account the applicable guideline and the need for sufficient information,

(iii) Ensure Best Available Scientific information, traditional and indigenous knowledge in decision-making, including all risk assessments and management undertaken in connection with environmental assessments, acknowledging knowledge gaps, and uncertainties and the management and response measures taken under or in accordance with Best Environmental Practices and the need for sufficient information; and

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

The sufficient information requirement in this context ensures informed decisions about the respective environment and environmental objectives for a particular site. The ISA manages activities in the Area on behalf of humankind as a whole and should prevent activities when there is not sufficient information to quantify risks and impacts.