

**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.

46bis(1)

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.

1. A Contractor shall, pursuant to its Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan required under Regulation 48 and in accordance with the Standard on environmental monitoring programmes and other applicable Standards, and taking account of the relevant guidelines establish and implement an environmental monitoring programme to observe, measure, evaluate and analyse, in accordance with Best Available Scientific information, Best Environmental Practices, Best Available Techniques, and the need for sufficient information about the risks to Environmental Effects on the Marine Environment arising from Exploitation. The environmental monitoring program shall be conducted during all stages of the mining operation, to determine whether contractor activities are having or are likely to have harmful effects on the Marine Environment until satisfactory completion of a Closure Plan.

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.

