

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

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:

The Kingdom of the Netherlands, Germany, Costa Rica, Norway, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Portugal, Federated States of Micronesia, Finland, African Group

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

DR44bis(1). Regional Environmental Management Plans

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.

Red is the original text. Blue represents our suggestions.

1. The Commission shall **only** consider an application for a Plan of Work **if a [if a] [based on the adopted]** Regional Environmental Management Plan **has been adopted** **[has been adopted]** by the Council for the particular area and type of resource concerned.

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

We would like to retain the original text of DR44bis(1). It is important that the LTC should only consider a Plan of Work once a REMP is in place for the relevant area. The original text better reflects this clear order. Furthermore, this original text was submitted during the second part of the 27th session by the African Group, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Costa Rica, Chile, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Micronesia, Norway, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Spain and Trinidad and Tobago. Please see the original submission attached.