

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART I**

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:

President's text

2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

Federal Republic of Germany

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

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Red text is in original draft; **blue text** indicates Germany's textual proposals

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.

Regulation 21 [President's Text]

Termination of sponsorship

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[2.alt. Without prejudice to any terms, rights or obligations between a State and a Contractor under the terms of sponsorship, **[as defined in this Regulations, if]** a State ~~may~~ terminates its **sponsorship [of a Contractor, it shall promptly]** ~~by providing to~~ the Secretary-General **with** a written notice describing the reasons for such termination and **the** date the termination is to take effect, **and** no earlier than the following timeframe [...].

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[2.alt.bis. If the reasons for termination of sponsorship include non-compliance under its terms of sponsorship, the Contractor must **immediately** suspend its mining operations until the Council has considered the matter in accordance with paragraph 6 below

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5. The Secretary-General shall **[promptly]** notify, ~~[as soon as practicable,]~~ the members of the Authority of a termination or change of sponsorship

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

- Para 2 alt: Germany supports the proposed edits in this para. More importantly, Germany seeks clarification on the phrase “terms of sponsorship” and what this entails. It is not clear to us what constitutes the “terms of sponsorship”. We prefer if this term was better specified since it could carry significant repercussions in the present context of termination. Hence, we suggest text in anticipation of a definition of this term in the regulations.
- Para 2 alt bis: Germany supports the inclusion of the word “immediately”.
- Para 5: Germany supports the inclusion of the word “promptly” in place of “as soon as practicable”.