

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH 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:

Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment

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

The Pew Charitable Trusts

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

DR 48bis

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 font** are proposed amendments by the Facilitator in this revised text.
- Our proposed amendments and our questions or comments regarding the facilitator’s remarks are indicated as in-line edits in **blue**. Proposed deletions of text proposed by the facilitator appears in strikethrough and **bold**.

1. A Contractor shall conduct a new Environmental Impact Assessment in accordance with regulation 47ter and submit an additional ~~revised~~ Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with regulation 57 when:

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

We recommend a reference to draft regulation be made in the chapeau. Draft regulation 57 provides that a Plan of Work shall not be modified except in accordance with that regulation. The EIS constitutes part of the Plan of Work, and this DR48bis appears to enable modification of the EIS outside of DR57. So to avoid this DR48 bis conflicting with DR 57, we believe a cross reference here would be important.

It also appears that there is a recommendation in the matrix to move subpara c to the threshold Standard. We do not believe that would be appropriate and we prefer that provision be retained here.