TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS AFTER 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: Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment
- 2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: Federated States of Micronesia
- 3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Draft exploitation regulation 47alt(4)(b)(ii)

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.

(4)(b)(ii). An evaluation of significant and harmful effects on the environment and ecosystem services, founded on clear and transparent assessment criteria and a robust evidence base, using best available science and scientific information and, where available, relevant traditional knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local communities

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

If DR 47alt rather than DR 47 is used, then Micronesia proposes amending paragraph (4)(b)(ii) of DR 47alt to insert a reference to the use of relevant and available traditional knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local communities for the evaluation of significant and harmful effects on the environment and ecosystem services, as a complement to the use of best available science and scientific information.