

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).

**1. Name of Working Group:**

**President's text**

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

**Norway**

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

Regulation 18

**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.**

~~3. — The Authority, in consultation with a Contractor, shall ensure that no other entity Contractor operates in the Contract Area for a different category of Resources in a manner which might interfere with the rights granted to [or operations of] the Contractor.~~

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~~[5.bis. Adverse impacts from activities in the Area carried out under an Exploitation Contract must be limited to the Contract area.]~~

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

It's unclear to us what the insertion (quote) "...and with the cooperation of State Parties to the Convention" entails, and also what "...different categories of resources" relates to.

Norway understand that for categories of resources managed under these regulations, the Authority will have this information.

If the reference is to *other* resource categories, like for example fisheries, we believe that this would be difficult for the Authority and its members to control in full.

Therefore, if we want to retain paragraph 3, we need additional clarifications on these formulations.

To the proposed paragraph 5 bis: Although we understand the rationale, we find this proposal wide-ranging, and we query how and whether this will or can be measured?