

**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:**

IWG Environment

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

Norway

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

Regulation 47bis alt. (47ter)

**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.**

~~(e) A proactive consultation by an applicant or Contractor with Stakeholders at all stages, in accordance with relevant Standards and taking account of Guideline, which includes:~~

~~—— (i) Providing Stakeholders with access to up to date and comprehensive information about the proposed activities and environmental data and impacts,~~

~~—— (ii) Using best efforts to obtain Stakeholder comments on the draft scoping report and draft environmental impact statement for a reasonable period.~~

~~—— (iii) Provide a reasonable opportunity for Stakeholders to raise enquiries and to make known their views,~~

~~—— (iv) Make publicly available Stakeholder comments received during the engagement consultation process, including on the applicant or Contractor’s own website, and ——~~

~~—— (v) Record and address, in the scoping report and Environmental Impact Statement respectively, any substantive and relevant Stakeholder comments received.~~

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

Norway has not heard any clarification on how consultation of a process, such as an EIA, can take place. The wording “engagement” is also used, but it is not clear what this entails and how this should be followed up in practice. Norway is of the view that there needs to be concrete documents provided as the objects of consultation. Therefore, the scoping report should be subject to stakeholder consultation, as well as the EIS. Subparagraphs (ii) to (v) should be addressed under the Regulation on Scoping report. Norway would be happy to receive any clarifications on how consultations of an EIA can be conducted, but for now Norway suggests deleting 2 (e) (i)-(v).