TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING 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:

Informal Working Group – Environment.

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

Submitted by Nauru Ocean Resources Inc., Tonga Offshore Mining Ltd. and Blue Minerals Jamaica Ltd.

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

 Annex VII Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, paragraph 2(k)
- 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.
 - 2. An Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan shall contain:

[...]

(kh) Details of the proposed monitoring stations across the contract area, including the frequency of monitoring and data collection, the spatial and temporal arrangements for such monitoring and the justification for such arrangements, including how in situ validation of modelled results will be carried out. Where test mining was conducted, The the proposed monitoring stations should, at a minimum, include the monitoring stations used during test mining mining tests carried out in the Exploration phase;

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

• We note that not all Contractors will have conducted exploration activities before submitting an Environmental Impact Statement. As such, we propose amending Section 2(k) to clarify the obligations of Contractors who are applying for exploitation by relying on the exploration work of other entities.