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 <u>council@isa.org.jm</u>.

- 1. Name of Working Group: Informal Working Group – Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement
- 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. Draft Reg. 100(1)
- 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.

1. No later than thirty days after the end of an inspection, the Inspector shall prepare and deliver a report to the Chief Inspector in accordance with the template and other requirements <u>set out in of</u> the <u>relevant applicable</u> Standards and in accordance with relevant Guideline-setting out the findings and any recommendations for improvements in performance, procedures or practices by a Contractor. The Chief Inspector shall send the report to the Compliance Committee and the Secretary General, <u>[who shall send a copy of the report to the Contractor and its sponsoring</u> State or States]. <u>[The Compliance Committee shall ask the Secretary-General to send</u> a copy of the report to any relevant coastal State or flag State, the Contractor and sponsoring State or States and, if appropriate, the relevant adjacent coastal State or States and the flag State and to publish a copy of the report in the Seabed Mining Register, excluding confidential information.]

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

- We have proposed amendments to clarify the drafting of Draft Regulation 100(1), in particular to ensure reference to Standard are consistent with how these are referred to elsewhere in the Draft Regulations. We do not consider a reference to the Guidelines is necessary here given the Standard can set out the template and requirements.
- We also support the deletion of the last sentence of this paragraph as it is unnecessary.

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3. The <u>Chief Inspector</u> <u>Compliance Committee</u> shall report to the <u>Compliance</u> <u>Committee and the</u> Secretary-General any acts of violence, intimidation, or abuse against or the <u>wilfulwillful</u> obstruction or harassment by any person of an Inspector, or a representative of a sponsoring State, any other State Party, or other party concerned who accompanies the Inspector, as identified in regulation 96, in the course of their duty<u>, or the failure by a Contractor to comply with paragraph 4 of</u> <u>regulation 96ter</u>. The failure by a Contractor to comply with regulations 96 or 96 ter shall also be reported to the Secretary-General. Appropriate measures shall be taken in accordance with regulations 99 and 103 respectively

- 5. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150-word limit]
- We propose amendments to Draft Regulation 100(3) to have the Chief Inspector report on the matters referred to given it will be the entity that has direct knowledge/visibility of these kind of issues.
- We also propose amendments to simplify some of the drafting in this paragraph and remove the reference to Draft Regulation 96 as it is no longer valid.