

**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:**

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. 31(1.bis)

**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.bis. Each Contractor shall exercise due diligence to ensure that it does not cause damage to known submarine cables or pipelines **or** interfere with other **activities uses of the sea** in the Contract Area. [...]

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

- We consider that Draft Regulation 31(1.bis) should be limited to cables and pipelines that the Contract knows or is aware of to ensure the obligation can be reasonably complied with.