

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29<sup>TH</sup> SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART I**

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 Inspections

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

Russian Federation

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

Reg. 99

**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. If, as a result of an inspection, an Inspector has reasonable grounds to determine [] that any occurrence, practice or condition endangers or may endanger the health or safety of any person or poses a threat of Serious ~~harm~~ Harm to the Marine Environment, ~~including Underwater Cultural Heritage~~ for a Contractor is otherwise in breach of the terms of its contract with the Authority} the Inspector shall give ~~an~~ written instructions of a temporary nature considered reasonably necessary to remedy the situation, in accordance with any applicable [decisions of the Council or Standards](#), including:

2. bis. ~~The Inspector shall notify the Chief Inspector immediately when an instruction has been issued under paragraph 1}. The Chief Inspector shall {then} report immediately {and provide a copy of the instruction} to the Compliance Committee, the Secretary-General and through the Secretary-General to the Contractor’s ~~S~~sponsoring State or States and, if applicable to the relevant ~~adjacent~~ coastal State or States and flag State, that an instruction has been issued under paragraph 1.~~

2. sexies. The Compliance Committee may:

(a) Request the [] Inspector to provide further information as to the facts and circumstances giving rise to the issue of an instruction under paragraph 1 for its consideration; or

(b) reasonably revise or set aside an instruction under paragraph 1 as soon as practicable; or

~~(c) [Invite the Council’s attention][ask the Commission invite the Council attention] to any cases of non-compliance with the terms of a contract.~~

The Council shall be fully informed on the instructions issued by the inspectors, any requests of information and clarifications provided by the Compliance Committee, Inspectors and may request further information as to the facts and

circumstances giving rise to the issue of an instruction under paragraph 1 for its consideration

3. An instruction shall be for a specified period not exceeding seven days. The Chief Inspector may extend such period ~~[by an additional seven days]~~~~[until such time the Contractor has complied with the instruction and fulfilled all requirements]~~, and shall report any such extension to the Compliance Committee.

3. quarter In the case of a written instruction issued under paragraph 1(d), where the circumstances giving rise to a suspension in some or all exploitation activities are not resolved or are unlikely to be resolved, the Compliance Committee shall [following consultation with the ~~Contract~~Contractor], notify [the Council] [the Commission and the Council] immediately together with any recommendation as to whether such suspension should continue. ~~[Following consultations with the Contractor],~~ [the Council] shall decide whether ~~if~~ the suspension should continue, including, where relevant, the ~~placing of~~ conditions on any recommencement of activities, taking into account any recommendations of the [Commission] [Commission and Committee].

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

Regarding para. 1 we point out that the term “underwater cultural heritage” is not in accordance with the Convention.

It is necessary to set forth that instructions of an Inspectors should be prepared in written form.

Mechanism of inspections is still under consideration and relevant provisions remain open.