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:

Open-ended Working Group of the Council on the Financial Terms of a Contract

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 Regulation 64
- 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.

Obligation to pay royalty Contractor shall pay royalty

A Contractor, from the date of commencement of Commercial Production, shall pay a royalty in respect of the mineral-bearing ore sold or removed without sale from the Contract Area as determined in appendix IV to these regulations pursuant to paragraph 1 of section 8 of the annex to the Agreement

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

• We propose to replace the title of Draft Regulation 64 with a more general wording rather than restating the obligation itself, i.e., "Obligation to pay royalty".