

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29TH 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.

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

Russian Federation

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Reg. 21

3. 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.

Termination of sponsorship

2. Without prejudice to any terms, rights or obligations between a State and a Contractor under the terms of sponsorship, if a State terminates its sponsorship of a Contractor, it shall promptly provide the Secretary-General with a written notice describing the reasons for such termination and the date the termination is to take effect, and no earlier than the following timeframe:

2. bis If the reasons for termination of sponsorship include material non-compliance under its terms of sponsorship, the Contractor must, **if instructed to by the Secretary-General based upon their determination of the [Compliance Committee] that the reason for termination justify suspension,** suspend its **Exploitation activities** until the Council has considered the matter in accordance with paragraph 6 below.

7. Nothing in this Regulation shall relieve a Contractor of any obligation or liability under its Exploitation Contract, and the Contractor shall remain responsible and liable to the Authority for the performance of its obligations under its Exploitation Contract in the event of any termination of sponsorship.

8. If a Sponsoring State terminates its sponsorship of a Contractor, this has no impact on the sponsorship of that Contractor by any other Sponsoring State

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

2bis: paragraph 2 tells about material non-compliance, thus we suggest adding this word in paragraph 2bis.

It is unclear, which body will make such determination: in our view, one of possible options is Compliance Committee.