

**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. 27

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.

2. bis Once the Contractor determines that it is engaging in Sustained Large-scale Recovery operations which yield a quantity of materials in excess of the thresholds specified in the Standards, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Secretary-General of the proposed date of commencement of Commercial Production together with supporting documentation and other evidence as specified in the Standards. The Secretary-General shall transmit the notification and supporting documentation and evidence to the Commission, which shall consider the proposal and supporting materials and approve or reject the Contractor’s proposed date.

3. Promptly following approval or rejection by the Commission, the Secretary-General shall, as applicable, confirm the date of commencement of Commercial Production to the Contractor, or notify the Contractor of the rejection and invite the Contractor to re-submit its proposed date of commencement of Commercial Production under Regulation 27(2).

4. Upon confirmation, the Secretary-General shall notify Members of the Authority, in particular coastal states referred to in article 142 of the Convention adjacent to the Contract Area Mining Area, that Commercial Production has begun and the location of the Mining Area(s).

5. The date of commencement of Commercial Production, will be the date confirmed to the Contractor according to Regulation 27(3).

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