

## TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS

### 1. Name of Working Group:

Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment

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

Federative Republic of Brazil

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

Regulation 44 (General Obligations)

### 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.

Regulations 44 - General Obligations

4. Exploitation in the Area and obligations relating to the Marine Environment shall be interpreted and applied in a manner that does not undermine relevant legal instruments and frameworks and relevant global, regional, subregional and sectoral bodies and that promotes coherence and coordination with those instruments, frameworks and bodies.

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

The set of rules, regulations and procedures on exploitation of marine minerals in the international seabed must be compatible with other existing sectoral bodies, subregional, regional and global legal regimes, instruments and frameworks. Its implementation must be coherent, and in coordination with other international legal instruments, frameworks and bodies related to the management of fishing resources and the conservation of marine and ocean biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction. The proposed language is mirrored in article 5(2) of the international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ Treaty), adopted by the member states of the United Nations on 19th June 2023.