

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.

Regulations 48 Alt – Environmental Impact Statement

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.

3. The Environmental Impact Statement shall be in a form prescribed by the Authority in the applicable relevant Standard and in accordance with the relevant Guidelines, [and shall]:

[(b)bis A description of applicable national and international legislation, procedures and policies, and other applicable standards, principles and guidelines, for example the Convention including the 1994 Agreement relating and the Agreement 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 Agreement), relevant rules from the International maritime Organization and International Law in general,]

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

The Agreement 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 Agreement) applies to areas beyond national jurisdiction (Article 3), which means the high seas and the Area (Article 1, item 2). Therefore, the Environmental Impact Statement shall take into account applicable standards, principles and guidelines resulting from the recommendations and decisions taken under the BBNJ Agreement, along with other relevant rules of International Law.