TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS AFTER THE 29^{TH} 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 <u>council@isa.org.jm</u>.

- 1. Name of Working Group: ISA Council President's Text
- 2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: Federated States of Micronesia
- 3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Draft exploitation regulation 18bis(1bis)

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.

1. bis A Contractor shall carry out activities under a Plan of Work in accordance with Good Industry Practice, Best Available Scientific Information and Best Environmental Practices, using appropriately qualified and adequately supervised personnel and shall continually identify and implement solutions that reflect the most up-to-date Best Available Scientific Information, <u>Best Environmental Practices</u> and Best Available Techniques

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

Micronesia proposes the insertion of a reference to Best Environmental Practices at the end of paragraph 1bis of DR 18bis in order to make the second part of the paragraph as consistent as possible with the first part of the paragraph in terms of approaches and information taken/used.