

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART III**

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.im.

1. Name of Working Group:

Consolidated text

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

Republic of Nauru

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

Regulation 16

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 Council shall disapprove a plan of work if any requirement of regulation 13 is not fulfilled~~

3. Alt. The Council shall, when approving a Plan of Work, request the Secretary-General to ensure that the contract to be concluded incorporates ~~all any conditions recommended by the Commission under regulation 15(1bis)(b) outlined in the draft Plan of Work and the accompanying plans, as well as any additional conditions requested by the Commission or the Council and approved by the Council.~~

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

Para 3: We suggest paragraph 3 is deleted. Regulation 13 applies in relation to the Commission not the Council. It is not for the Council to reconsider whether the requirements have been met or not.

Para 3Alt: as to conditions, we suggest that these be on the recommendation of the Commission under regulation 15(1bis)(b). The Commission is best placed to propose conditions for the Council's consideration and approval as part of the plan of work.

We also suggest that examples of such conditions be reflected in standards or guidelines; these could include specific monitoring or reporting requirements, or requirement to undertake specific studies or investigations.