

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto: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 46

**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.**

2. The purpose of an Environmental Impact Assessment ~~under this Regulation~~ shall be to ~~identify, and inform the Authority’s assessment of an application of a Plan of Work under Regulations 13 to 16, or a Contract’s continued adherence to these Regulations and~~ predict ~~and evaluate the potential~~ Environmental Impacts, ~~effects and risks~~ ~~anticipated from~~ of the proposed activities ~~on the marine environment and identify necessary measures to Mitigate or manage such effects and risks~~, to enable the Authority to assess the potential adverse Environmental Effects ~~and risks~~, with the aim to:

~~2(c) [Avoid Serious] [Prevent] Avoid Serious Harm~~ to the Marine Environment arising out of the proposed activities;

~~3 (e) Be subject to an independent scientific assessment prior to the submission of the proposed Environmental Impact Statement to the Authority;~~

~~4(e) A decision by the Council to approve, or not approve, the proposed activities or proposed modification to the Plan of Work that was the subject of the Environmental Impact Assessment, including any conditions imposed upon an approval, which decision shall be recorded and published in accordance with Regulation 16, and~~

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

Para 2: this para needs to be streamlined.

Para 2(c): “Avoid Serious” should be re-instated in sub-paragraph (c). Activities will involve a degree of harm that cannot be prevented. This provision needs to regulate unacceptable levels of harm.

Para 3(e): this is a matter for consideration by the Commission. If required, the Commission are empowered to engage experts to make any assessment.

Para 4(e): this paragraph is not relevant to the EIA process, and covers the approval of a plan of work. We suggest its deletion here.

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