TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29TH SESSION: COUNCIL - PART II

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.jm.

- 1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: France
- Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.
 Regulation 101 Complaints relating to inspections
- 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.

Addition of 3 new sub-paragraphs:

<u>1bis. The Secretary-General shall acknowledge in writing, within 7 days, receipt of every complaint submitted under this regulation, specifying the date of receipt.</u>

4.The Secretary-General shall provide, as soon as possible, information to the complainant on the follow-up given to the complaint.

5.Disputes concerning the handling of complaints shall be settled in accordance with regulation 106.

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

The French delegation suggests to support and complement the procedure for handling the complaints, particularly in relation to the complainants. Two stages of handling are proposed: the acknowledgment of receipt and the information on the follow-up given to the complaint. The last sub-paragraph is an important reminder of the right of appeal for the complainants.