TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 30TH 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(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: The Kingdom of the Netherlands and Norway
- Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.
 Draft Regulation 97bis amendments are made in tracked changes and highlighted yellow, as reflected below.
- 3. 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.

[Regulation 97 bis [IWG ICE]

<u>The below is more appropriate to include the below Draft Regulation in</u> the Code of Conduct referred to in DR 97(4). We suggest to keep this text in the consolidated version, so as to not lose it.

Inspectors' Functions and Responsibilities

1. [In conducting the inspections, the] Inspectors shall:

(a) Carry out inspections in accordance with internationally accepted principles of good seamanship so as to avoid risks to the safety of life at sea, and where appropriate follow <u>reasonable</u> instructions and directions pertaining to the safety of life at sea given to them by the Contractor and the master of the <u>ship</u> vessel; with due regard to the observance of good seamanship and

(b) <u>Avoid Refrain from any undue</u> interference with the safe and normal operations of the Contractor and of <u>vesselship</u>s and Installations<u>-unless</u> the <u>Inspector</u> has reasonable grounds for believing that the Contractor is operating in breach of its obligations under an exploitation contract</u>.

(b) bis Comply <u>with to the</u> Authority's code of conduct for Inspectors and inspections established pursuant to draft Regulations 96 ($\underline{31}$) <u>bis</u>.

(d) Indicate in their reports all <u>vesselships</u>, Installations, equipment, facilities, data and samples monitored or otherwise examined, all documents reviewed or copied, all questions posed to the Contractor or any personnel.

2. [Omitted. Contained in Regulation 96 quarter, paragraph 2]

3. An Inspector shall be bound by strict confidentiality provisions and must have no conflicts of interest in respect of all duties undertaken and shall conduct his or her duties in accordance with the Authority's code of conduct for Inspectors and inspections. Inspectors shall have no financial interest in any activity relating

to Exploration and Exploitation in the Area. They shall not disclose, even after the termination of their functions, any industrial secret, proprietary data or other Confidential Information coming to their knowledge by reason of their duties under these Regulations.]

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

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