TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 30TH 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:

Republic of Nauru

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

Draft Regulation 44ter

- 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.
 - 7. The Authority's strategic Environmental Objectives are to:
 - (I) Prevent degradation, or <u>reduce the</u> risk of degradation to, special biological, scientific, archaeological, or historical significance of the Area or the Marine Environment; and
- 4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150-word limit]
- We have noted previously our support for the deletion of this regulation 44ter and that these kinds of objectives would perhaps be better suited to an overarching environmental policy or other instrument, rather than in the regulations.
- If regulation 44ter is to be included in the regulations, we note that "risks" can only be reduced, and not prevented. As such, we propose that sub-paragraph 7(I) of this regulation be amended to reflect this.