

**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 council@isa.org.jm.

- 1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:** Australia
- 2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.**

DR1(9) – Use of terms and scope

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.

Note: Textual proposals are shown in green text.

9. ~~Nothing in these Regulations shall affect the rights, jurisdiction and duties of States under the Convention, including the rights and legitimate interests of the coastal states article 142 of the Convention, the right to conduct marine scientific research in the Area pursuant to Articles 143 and 256 of the Convention, and the exercise by States of the freedom of the high seas, in accordance with Article 87 of the Convention.~~

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

Australia supports simplifying the text in DR 1, paragraph (9) on the basis that the references to particular Articles, rights and freedoms in the Convention are selective, and introduces uncertainty as to whether other Articles, rights and freedoms can be abrogated. The proposed text removes this uncertainty.