

**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:

Norway

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

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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.

Risk reduction

1. A Contractor shall conduct its operations to ensure that persons engaged in activities in the Area are not thereby exposed to risks to their health or safety by taking necessary measures in accordance with the Health and Safety Plan and Maritime Security Plan, the applicable Standards and taking into consideration the applicable Guidelines.

2. Furthermore, the Contractor shall take measures to eliminate such risks or reduce them to as low as reasonably practicable and tolerable, to minimize harm and comply with these Regulations and applicable international law.

3. For the purposes of this regulation, as low as reasonably practicable means when risk has been reduced to a level where applying further measures would be significantly disproportionate to the benefit that would be gained. The reasonable practicability of risk reduction measures shall be kept under review in the light of new knowledge and technology developments and Good Industry Practice. In assessing whether the time, cost and effort would be significantly disproportionate to the benefits of further reducing the risk, consideration shall be given to best practice risk levels compatible with the operations being conducted.

4. The Contractor shall identify hazards and the risks that may arise from such hazards, and maintain the necessary risk assessment and risk management systems and processes in accordance with Good Industry Practice, the applicable Standards and taking into consideration the applicable Guidelines and shall report annually to the Secretary-General on such systems in accordance with Regulation 38(2)(h).

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

The DR has been changed to the extent that we include a new version in track changes.

Norway finds the regulation of risk, and reducing risk, to be of profound importance to the regulations. Based on comments submitted both in writing and during the first part of the 30th session, we suggest several changes to the DR to accommodate a better understanding of the concept.