TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 30^{TH} 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.

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

Reg. 11

 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.

Publication and review of the Environmental Plans

[Alt. Publication, notification, and review of the Application]

- 1. The Secretary-General shall, within 7 Days after determining that an application for the approval of a Plan of Work is ready to progress pursuant to Regulation 10, taking into account the confidentiality of the data, place the Environmental Plans and all non-confidential parts of Test Mining Report, if applicable submitted, including any supporting material on the Authority's website for a period of consideration of an application by the Authority, and consult with all States and Stakeholders in accordance with regulation 93bis on the application. The Secretary General shall request the Commission to provide its comments on the Environmental Plans and the non-confidential parts of the Test Mining study within the consultation period set under 93bis. Based on the assessment of the Commission, if necessary, the Secretary-General shall establish an independent review team, making use of the roster of competent independent experts, if any, to provide comments to the Commission on the Environmental Plans within the consultation period.
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 12 paragraph 2, the Commission shall not consider an application for approval of a Plan of Work until the application has been published and if necessary, revised in accordance with this Regulation.

5. (a) Details of the Commission's determination under Regulation 13(4);

(b bis) Details of the consultation submissions comments and responses received under Regulation 93bis (8), the Commission's comments under regulation 11(31)(b), the applicant or Contractor's written response prepared under Regulation 93bis (9),

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[5. In preparing its report under paragraph 5, the Commission [may]/[shall] seek advice from competent independent experts, as necessary. The experts shall be selected and appointed taking into account the relevant Guidelines.]

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

In our view, only Environmental Plans could be subject of Stakeholders consultations. It would be more useful if the Commission considers an Environmental Plan after Stakeholders Consultations.

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