

**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.im.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

Russian Federation

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

Reg. 31 bis

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.

The Contractor shall endeavour to reduce the risk of damage to submarine cables or pipelines, including as appropriate, through:

(a) Complying with the measures that the Contractor has agreed with the operators of submarine cables or pipelines in the Contract Area to reduce the risk of damage to any in-service submarine cables and pipelines;

(b) Identifying current and, ~~where possible,~~ planned uses or activities relating to submarine cables or pipelines in the Marine Environment transiting, overlapping, or proximate to the Contract Area through publicly available data and resources ~~and any other reasonable means;~~

(c) Coordinating directly with the responsible organisations for, or operators of, submarine cables or pipelines in the Marine Environment;

~~[(d) Promoting awareness of Exploitation activities, including but not limited to using geospatial alert systems]; and~~

(e) Other measures in accordance with the applicable Standards, and taking into consideration the Guidelines.]

The Authority shall facilitate communication between Contractors and operators of submarine cables or pipelines.

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

(d): “using geospatial alert systems” is unclear