

**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. 45

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.

2. The Council shall, based on the recommendations of the Commission, adopt environmental Standards, ~~resource~~ and region specific, where appropriate ~~in~~ accordance with Regulation 94~~],~~ inter alia on the following subject matters:

(a) ~~Baseline~~ ~~Environmental~~ studies;
(b) Environmental quality objectives;
(c) ~~Resource~~ and region specific~~], if applicable,~~ ~~geological~~, physical, chemical and biological~~]~~ indicators and ~~associated~~ quantitative threshold [values], including but not limited to;

- ~~i.~~ Toxicity
- ii. Turbidity and settling of resuspended sediments
- iii. Underwater noise
- iv. Light pollution
- v. Habitat loss
- vi. Greenhouse gas emissions
- vii. biodiversity status and ecosystem structures, functions and services]

(d) Monitoring procedures;
(e) Mitigation Measures, ~~including restoration measures,~~ if possible
(f) Minimum technical requirements for environmental protection with regard to all the equipment, ~~operational procedures and processes taking place onboard the vessel]~~ used for the Exploitation activities, ~~including criteria for the assessment methodology to be used.]~~

(g) ~~{Procedure for the management and}~~ assessment of accidents ~~at events~~ and natural hazards leading to environmental emergencies as well as environmentally hazardous discharges and residual effects of such emergencies, including preparation and implementation of Emergency Response and Contingency Plans.

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(h) Procedural and substantive requirements relating to submissions or reports required by these Regulations, including but not limited to: Plans of Work, Environmental Management Systems, Environmental Impact Assessments, Environmental Impact Statements, Environmental Management and Monitoring Plans and Closure Plans.

5. The application of this Regulation shall be without prejudice to the function of the ~~{Council}~~, ~~{upon recommendation of the}~~ ~~{Commission}~~ to adopt other Standards ~~{for the purpose to ensure the effective protection of the marine environment from harmful effects, in accordance with Article 145 of the Convention. }~~

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