

**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. 75

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.

3. An ~~Independent~~ Auditor may, in connection with a liability for a royalty payment:

(a) Audit the mining and on-board processing facilities with a view to verifying the accuracy of all information reported and the accuracy of the equipment measuring the quantity of **Mineral ore** sold or removed without sale from the Contract Area;

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

In our view, it is necessary to clarify and streamline the definitions. According the schedule, Mineral-bearing ore is a kind of Resources (that are in situ in the Area). Minerals are recovered Resources. By the sense of this Regulation, Mineral ore is a kind of Minerals. Although we don't have a definition for Mineral ore (and it is unclear is it different from Mineral-bearing ore).

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