TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE $\mathbf{30}^{\text{TH}}$ 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 <u>council@isa.org.jm</u>.

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

Reg. 89

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.

(d) Are required to be disclosed under the rules, regulations and procedures of the Authority [to protect the Marine Environment or human health and safety];

(e) Are necessary for the formulation [from time to time] by the Authority of rules, regulations, and procedures [and decisions] [of the Authority] concerning the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment and safety, other than equipment design data;

<u>(f)</u> Relate to the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment, [provided that] [unless] the Secretary-General may agree that such information is regarded as Confidential Information for a reasonable period where there are bona fide academic reasons for delaying its release;

{(f) Alt. Relate to the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment, including all environmental baseline and monitoring data, provided that the Secretary-General may designate such information as Confidential Information for a reasonable period, subject to such conditions as may be appropriate, where the Commission agrees that there are bona fide academic reasons for delaying its release on the terms proposed by the Secretary-General and the decision including the reasons are reported to Council;]

_(h) [Relate to Contractor payments to the Authority, governments, state enterprises, other Contractors, as well as payments and other forms of financial benefit received by the Contractor from Sponsoring States;

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_(I) The area to which the data and information relates is no longer covered by an Exploitation Contract; provided that following the expiration of a period of 10 years after it was passed to the Secretary-General, Confidential Information shall no longer be deemed to be such unless otherwise agreed between the Contractor and the <u>Authority</u> [Secretary-General], {in accordance with the applicable Standard and taking into consideration the relevant Guidelines {and save any data and information relating to personnel matters under paragraph 2 (b) above; or

[(m) Are in a category designated by the Council as not being Confidential Information.]

5. In connection with paragraph 2 (d) above, a Contractor shall, upon transferring data and information to the Authority, designate by notice in writing to the Secretary-General the Information or any part of it as Confidential Information [describing, in general and nonprejudicial terms, any information redacted or required to be withheld from publication on the basis of confidentiality with an explanation of the reasons. The Secretary-General, Commission or [a Member Sstate, or another Stakeholder] objects to such designation [within a period of 30 Days from the publication of the notice], the parties shall consult upon the nature of the data and information and whether it constitutes Confidential Information under this Regulation. During the consultations, the Secretary-General shall comply with apply the applicable Standards and take ing into consideration Guidelines. The Secretary-General shall report to the Council regarding the types and quantities of data that are designated confidential in accordance with this paragraph. Any dispute arising as to the nature of the data and information shall be dealt with in accordance with Part XII of these Regulations.

6. [Nothing in these Regulations shall affect the rights of a holder of intellectual property.]

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

We suggest deleting a row of items in paragraphs 2 and 3.

(h): part of these kinds of information could be in category of tax secrecy according the national legislation

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