

THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUST'S COMMENTARY  
***ON THE REVISED CONSOLIDATED TEXT: DRAFT REGULATIONS ON  
EXPLOITATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES IN THE AREA,  
DATED 29 NOVEMBER 2024 (ISBA/30/C/CRP.1)***

Key

**Black font**, **red font**, and grey text-boxes are replicated from the Draft Regulations text.

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**Regulation 87**

**Other applicable fees**

{A Contractor shall pay other prescribed fees in respect of any matter specified -by the Council, **based on the recommendations of the Finance Committee**,- in accordance with the applicable rules, regulations and procedures of the Authority.}

We are somewhat confused about what RRs this DR87 refers to. It would seem more accurate to say that any additional fees would be specified by a **decision from the Council** (as with DRs85 and 86). It is also unclear from the drafting whether such fees would be applied to all Contractors uniformly, or whether DR87 envisions a fee being applied by the Council unilaterally to an individual Contractor. We guess the former is the intended policy, in which case the drafting could be tweaked to clarify.