

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART II**

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to council2022@isa.org.jm.

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

Federated States of Micronesia

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

Draft Regulation 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.

[1.] Environmental Standards and Guidelines shall be developed in accordance with regulation[s] 94 and 95 and shall include, inter alia, the following subject matters:

(a) Environmental quality objectives [and indicators], including on ecological balance of the ~~M~~marine ~~E~~environment, biodiversity status, plume density, toxicity, composition, chemistry, extent, sedimentation rates and light and noise emissions,

(b) Monitoring procedures,

(c) Prevention, reduction and control measures and/or remediation of environmental harm,

(d) Baseline ~~d~~Data collection,

(e) Technical requirements with regard to the equipment used for the ~~E~~exploitation activities and

(f) Quantitative assessment of ~~E~~environmental ~~E~~effects.

[2. The Authority shall not approve any Exploitation activities unless the necessary environmental Standards [and Guidelines] have been adopted.]

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

We propose the initial capitalization of several terms in DR 45 to make clear that they are meant to be read in line with their definitions in the Schedule on the Use of Terms. We also do not think that “baseline data” needs to be initial capitalized, unless the term is defined in the Schedule on the Use of Terms.

