

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

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 of Working Group:

Committee of the Whole (President's Text)

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

International Cable Protection Committee ("ICPC")

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

Regulation 31.2

4. 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.

To further the due and reasonable regard obligations in Articles 87 and 147 in the Convention, the Authority, in conjunction with member States, shall ~~endeavour to coordinate, including with other global, regional and sectoral bodies~~ take measures ~~[in an effort] [to ensure] [underscores that Article 147 of the Convention further provides]~~ that other activities in the Marine Environment shall be conducted with reasonable regard for the activities of Contractors in the Area [which includes but not limited to the Authority's facilitation of the coordination between two parties at early stages. For this reason, the Authority shall promote, inter alia, effective and facilitate early-stage ~~consultations~~ coordination between the Contractors and the proponents of the other activities in the Area marine environment].

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

ICPC does not support the proposed options in paragraph 2 as set forth in the President's Text, ISBA/27/C/WOW/CRP.1, as the Convention does not grant the Authority jurisdiction over other activities in the marine environment, unless they constitute "activities in the Area" as defined in Article 1(3) of the Convention. At most, the Authority, in conjunction with Member States, should be facilitating

coordination to give meaning to due and reasonable regard obligations in the Convention.