

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH 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.jm.

1. Name of Working Group:

Environment

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

Italy

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

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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.

3. The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan shall contain a monitoring programme ~~for at least the first seven years of Exploitation,~~ to be conducted by independent experts and in compliance with the applicable Standards.

43. The Contractor shall report annually in writing, in accordance with these regulations, to the Secretary-General on the implementation and results of the **Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan environmental management and monitoring plan and the environmental management and monitoring programme plan** referred to in paragraph 2, in accordance with regulation 38, paragraph 2(g), **and tThe Secretary-General shall release publicly, in an accessible format, real time or at monthly intervals, at monthly intervalsconsistent with best scientific practices, environmental** data and information in the required standardized format, and in accordance with the applicable Standards, and taking into account the applicable Guidelines. ~~Other~~**All monitoring data, pertaining for example to monitored variations in geochemistry or fauna,** shall be released annually in the form of a written report.

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

The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan conducted by independent experts should not be limited only to the first 7 years, but should be provided for the

entire duration of the exploitation with frequency of observations to be modulated over time, also based on the findings of these experts. A greater frequency of monitoring is recommended in the first years of exploitation (at least the first 5). Furthermore, monitoring should be modulated according to the intensity of exploitation, the technologies used, the results of previous tests. This also applies for reg 48.

All data should be reported, avoid being too specific with the risk to exclude some important parameters or that may become important in the future.