

TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS FOR THE 28TH 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:

Submitted by the International Marine Minerals Society (IMMS)

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

Definition of "Restoration" from President's Text – Schedule – Use of terms and scope

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.

"Restoration" means a return to pre-disturbance conditions, implying complete re-creation of a system.

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

Suggested Definition: A return to pre-disturbance conditions, implying complete re-creation of a system.

Comment: We suggest further discussion by the Council, based on this draft definition. We note, however, that full restoration to pre-disturbance conditions is an unrealistic aim for land-based mining and it is unlikely to be realistic for deep-seabed mining. Rehabilitation (see suggested definition above) to some agreed state is a more realistic environmental goal/objective post disturbance.