

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART II**

*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](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

**1. Name of Working Group:**

IWG Environment

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

Argentina

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

Annex IV – Part 1 Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement and 5.2 Regional Overview

**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.**

1. Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement

The Environmental Impact Statement prepared under these regulations and the present annex shall:

(...)

(b) Provide information[, ~~[based on data from,]~~ ~~[as a general rule, a minimum of 15 years of]~~ ~~[monitoring,]~~ in accordance with the relevant regulations, and taking into account the [applicable regional environmental management plan].

5.2 Regional overview

(...)

Provide regional context for the baseline environmental conditions of the mining site and impact area, including but not limited to the general biological setting, taking into account in accordance with the applicable Regional Environmental Management Plan...

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

REMPs are environmental policy tools, not legal instruments, and their provisions are not binding obligations. The REMPs’ nature should be reflected in the language used to refer to them, especially in order to distinguish them from other instruments that

are actually legally binding and that are even mentioned in the same sentence (ex.: Regulations and/or Standards).