

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

1. Name of Working Group:

IWG Environment

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

Belgium

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

Draft Regulation 46 & 46 ter

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.

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

Belgium sees room for streamlining between the Regulations 46 & 46ter. There is an overlap between the Environmental Management System (EMS) and the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, in any case as regards the “Management” part of it. Therefore, merging the EMS and this “Management” part in 1 Regulation might be advisable. The ISO Standard 14001:2015 on “EMS” might steer our work on this. A separate DR on the Environmental Monitoring Plan, in close connection with the Draft Regulation 46bis on monitoring should be kept.