

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> 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.jm](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

**1. Name of Working Group:**

Open Ended Working Group on the protection and preservation of the marine environment

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

Chile

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

Part IV  
Annex [Alt]

**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.**

Applicants must establish suitable and effective Impact reference zones (IRZs) and Preservation reference zones (PRZs) in order to monitor the environmental impacts of their activities. The following parameters shall apply in the designation of IRZs and PRZs.

8. PRZs must be areas that will not be impacted by mining activities from any contractor, including impacts from operational and discharge plumes and including during the post-closure period. PRZs must also be free ~~{as far as possible}~~ from impacts of other industrial activities[. PRZs must have to remain unimpacted throughout the post-mining monitoring period.]

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

Chile believes the expression “as far as possible” should be suppress due to it minimize the provision contains in the annex. Allow impacts in a PRZ associated with other industrial or economic activities contradicts the own nature of a PRZ.