

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

*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:**

China

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

Regulation [46 ter] Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan

**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.**

**\*Note: China’s amendments are in Blue**

3bis. [The Contractor shall conduct monitoring for the entire duration of exploitation]. In addition to the Monitoring required to be performed by the Contractor, the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan shall contain a supplementary monitoring programme for at least the first seven years of [Exploitation] [mining operations,] ~~to be conducted by independent experts and~~ in compliance with the applicable Standards.

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

The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, including the monitoring programme, should be developed and implemented by the Contractor and should not be required to be conducted by independent experts.