

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART III**

President's text

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:

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

China

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

Preamble

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**

[Preamble Alt.

In accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 ("the Convention"), and the [Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 \("the Agreement"\)](#).

the Area and its resources are the common heritage of mankind, and the Exploitation of the resources of the Area shall be carried out for the benefit of mankind as a whole, on whose behalf the Authority acts.

The objective of these regulations is therefore to provide for the Exploitation of the resources of the Area consistent with the Convention, including the duty to ensure effective protection for the Marine Environment from harmful effects caused by those activities.]

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

Support for the Preamble Alt, which is more concise and balanced including all the important elements. Exploitation activities are more closely related to the Agreement, containing a large number of elements about exploitation activities. It is recommended that the relevant expressions of the Agreement be added to the Preamble Alt.