

**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:**
Japan

- 3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.**
Annex IV 4.11

- 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.**

4.11 Greenhouse gas emissions and climate change

Provide a description of the level of gas and fluid emissions from ~~both natural and~~ anthropogenic activities in the Area, as well as those affecting sea floor and water-column chemistry. ~~[The climate mitigation functions and services of the ocean should also be described (including CO₂ uptake and sequestration, or nutrient cycling).]~~

- 5. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150-word limit]**
Gas and fluid emissions from natural activities, the climate mitigation functions and services of the ocean are very large scale phenomena both temporally and spatially. Thus, it is difficult for contractors to evaluate such effects in quantitative way in their small contracted areas. Therefore, we propose to remove them from this paragraph and believe they should be discussed in REMP.