

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

***Informal Working Group – Institutional Matters***

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

Kingdom of the Netherlands

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

Regulation 12 General

**3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation 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. In considering the proposed Plan of Work, the Commission shall take into account:

(a) Any reports from the Secretary-General;

(b) Any advice or reports sought by the Commission or the Secretary-General from independent competent persons in respect of the application to verify, clarify or substantiate the information provided, methodology used or conclusions drawn by an applicant;

(c) The previous operating record of responsibility of the applicant; and

(d) Any further information supplied by the applicant prior to, and during the period of, the Commission’s evaluation.

(e) Any further relevant information about the applicant or in respect of the application sought by the Commission or the Secretary-General or supplied by the Sponsoring State(s), Member States, international organizations, adjacent coastal States, and other States or stakeholders prior to, and during the period of, the Commission’s evaluation.

**4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal.**

The Kingdom of the Netherlands believes the proposed text is needed to guarantee that the LTC will have access to all information that is relevant for their consideration of the application, and all stakeholders are enabled to supply relevant information to the LTC. For example, one of the partners of the applicant could be a national of a Member State who is not involved as a Sponsoring State, but holds relevant information about the partner who is their national.