TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28TH 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.

1. Name of Working Group:

Informal Working Group on the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment

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

Spain

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Annex IV paragraph 8

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.

Add two new subparagraphs on "Compensation measures" and on "Impacts in Marine Protected Areas" with the consequent following subparagraphs: "potential impacts and issues to be addressed", "Environmental management measures to mitigate impacts" and "residual impacts"

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

In paragraph 47.3.c there is a reference to the possibility of "offset environmental effects" and in paragraph 47.3.d there is a reference to "The Identification of measures envisaged to remediate, restore, rehabilitate (where possible) the Marine Environment".

This concept may be put in place through "compensation measures" that are missing in all this paragraph 8 where only mitigation measures are mentioned. Therefore, for the sake of coherence, compensation measures and measures to envisaged restoration and rehabilitation also need to be included.

In addition we propose a new subparagraph addressing impacts in "Marine Protected Areas" in which the impact and the implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives will be assessed.

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ANEX IV Environmental Impact Statement

13.1 Consultation methods

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Provide a description of the nature and extent, participation and outcomes of consultation(s) that have taken place with relevant Stakeholders, and how their substantive and relevant comments have been addressed in the Environmental Impact Assessment. This will include the description of the mechanisms used to manage the diversity of Stakeholders addressed and comments provided.

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There should be a simple mechanism for interested parties to have their say, bearing in mind that there may be many, as this is a new activity with a high public interest.