

ISA 29th Session, Part I – Reading of the Draft Consolidated Text

Oral Statement by the Federal Republic of Germany

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Regulation 28 - Maintaining Commercial Production

In paragraph 3, Germany supports the deletion of “from serious harm or a threat of serious harm” as “serious harm” is not the correct threshold according to Article 145.

We also question the deletion of the phrase “or to protect human remains, objects or sites of archaeological or historical nature” and would like to see these words retained.

In paragraphs 3 and 4, we believe that 72 hours duration for the Contractor to inform the SG and the Sponsoring State or States is too long. We prefer setting this period at 24 hours.