

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

Oral Statement by the Federal Republic of Germany

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Regulation 39 - Books, records and samples

Germany supports DR 39 and welcomes **para 1.bis** being a stand-alone provision rather than integrated into paragraph 1 as was previously the case. In **paragraph 3**, we agree to remove the words “*to the extent practicable*” and believe such samples should be kept until the termination of the Closure Plan, not the Exploitation Contract, to allow an assessment of whether a mine site has recovered after mining has ceased.