

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

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

**Japan**

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

**Annex VIII 1 (h)**

- 3. 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.**

(h) [The temporal and spatial intensity of monitoring to be undertaken during and after Closure needs to mirror monitoring efforts prior and during Exploitation using ~~equivalent~~ ~~the same~~ methodology to allow for full quantification of the impact as well as of any recovery from impacts.]

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

We support the alternative text of paragraph 1(h) which is currently in bracket. However, we believe that it is inappropriate to limit the methodology because there is a possibility that more advanced observational techniques will become available in the future. Therefore, we propose to use the language “equivalent” instead of “the same”.