

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 30TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART I**

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(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

SPAIN

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

Regulation 53 bis

Pollution control

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.

Pollution control

A Contractor shall **take all** the ~~all the~~ necessary **and appropriate** ~~and appropriate~~ measures to protect and preserve the Marine Environment, [including the and] coastlines from harmful effects, in accordance with Article 145 of the Convention. by preventing, reducing and controlling pollution ~~and other hazards, including marine litter and underwater noise,~~ [resulting] from its activities in the Area. This is to be done [pursuant to in accordance with] its Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, ~~the~~ and all relevant rRules, regulations and procedures of the Authority, the relevant ~~applicable~~ Regional Environmental Management Plan, and taking into account ~~of~~ the applicable Guidelines.

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

In this article we prefer to leave the initial expression "A contractor should take all the necessary and appropriate measures to protect and preserve the marine environment". The reason for this is that it will be essential for the Contractor to consider all the measures aimed at avoiding contamination (e.g. strategic, operational, procedural, etc.) and that they are viable, meaning that they can be put into practice.

We believe it is important to eliminate the word "directly" because there may be secondary and cumulative impacts from the activity that should also be responsibility of the contractor