

MB	Clause/ Subclause	Type of Comment	Comment (Justification for Change) by the MB	Proposed Change by the MB	Convener Observations
ABRAC		nc	No comments		1 Noted.
ANAB		nc	No comments		2 Noted.
APEDA		nc	No comments		3 Noted.
EIAC		nc	No comments		4 Noted.
ENAO		nc	No comment		5 Noted.
GhaNAS		nc	None		6 Noted.
IARNM		nc	No comment		7 Noted.
KENAS		nc	No comments		8 Noted.
O'ZAKK		nc	No additional comments from O'ZAKK		9 Noted.
PNAC		nc	No comments		10 Noted.
BELAC		ge	Although we disagree that initial PE or RE can be done totally remotely, we trust that the risk analysis will be well conducted and all precautions will be taken to avoid jeopardizing the IAF MLA		11 Noted. Emphasize is given to the necessity of an effective risk analysis showing that the remote activities replace the normal on-site activities in a way that no unacceptable risk remains
COFRAC		ge	Nevertheless Cofrac still disagrees that initial PE or RE can be done totally remotely. In such cases an in-depth risk analysis shall made to justify the approach in order to demonstrate the validity and avoid jeopardizing the IAF/ILAC MLA MRA		12 Noted. See 11
ESYD			We are against an initial peer evaluation to be performed remotely.		13 Noted.
IPAC		ge	Although we disagree that initial PE or RE can be done totally remotely, we trust that the risk analysis will be well conducted and all precautions will be taken to avoid jeopardizing the IAF MLA.		14 Noted. See 11

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JAB		ge	JAB supports this proposal with strong recommendation for clarification. (Ref. comments below.)		15 Noted. See 20
OLAS		ge	Although we disagree that initial PE or RE can be done totally remotely, we trust that the risk analysis will be well conducted and all precautions will be taken to avoid jeopardizing the IAF MLA		16 Noted. See 11
SOAC		ge	We would like confirmation that this policy procedure applies to multi economies accreditation bodies too since we have a similar way of functioning with single accreditation bodies		17 Yes, the document does apply to multi-economy ABs.
TICC		ge	At this time, it is premature to state that “On-site, face-to-face evaluations are still considered to be a more beneficial and efficient approach...” compared to remote assessments. At this time, only the following is a reasonable statement – “The mix of on-site and remote assessment techniques that will prove most cost-effective in the future is yet to be determined”.		18 Not accepted; the statement only reflects current views and does not preclude a future change in stance.
JAB	Fifth policy element	te	In view of the latest COVID-19 pandemic, it is necessary to clarify the applicability of the remote peer evaluation for sub scope level 4 and level 5, where applicable.	Add texts with underline. Where possible, initial AB/Regional peer-evaluations shall be performed on-site. Initial evaluations may be performed remotely where all activities, including observation/witnessing, can be covered effectively. Where an on-site pre-evaluation has included an on-site witnessed assessment for a level 3 scope(s), <u>level 4 and level 5, where applicable</u> with no significant findings, witnessing can be exempt for that scope(s).	19 Not accepted; it is understood that level 4 and level 5 are included within the scope of the document.
JAB	Sixth policy element	te	In view of the latest COVID-19 pandemic, it is necessary to clarify the applicability of remote peer evaluation for sub scope level 4 and level 5, where applicable.	Add texts with underline. Extensions of scope to include a new level 3, <u>level 4 and level 5, where applicable</u> standard <u>shall</u> include observing/witnessing of either an on- site or remote assessment. Observing/witnessing may be conducted remotely.	20 Not accepted; it is understood that level 4 and level 5 are included within the scope of the document.