



ISO/CASCO CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM

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1. Requesting ISO Member or A liaison member: IAF
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5. Please specify the ISO/CASCO document by name and number (ISO/IEC 17XXX) and clause number: ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, Conformity Assessment – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems, Clause 5.2.3
6. Clarification request, please formulate the request clearly and where possible in a format that enables a YES or NO answer: When a CB undertakes 2nd Party audits on suppliers for another organization certified by the CB, will the 2 nd party audit, offered by the CB, be considered as participation in implementing or maintaining the certified client's management system?
7. Consensus position of the maintenance group (This section is only to be completed by the maintenance group members) A yes or no answer cannot be provided as the question goes beyond the intent of the clarification process and asks the maintenance group to give an opinion on an element that is to be evaluated during an assessment to ISO/IEC 17021-1 by assessors when assessing impartiality requirements. However, the elements contained under the principles of impartiality and risk based approach in clause 4 could give useful guidance to the requester.

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Date request sent maintenance panel		
Is the clarification request formatted in an acceptable manner?	yes	
	no	
Is it clearly and unambiguously worded?	yes	
	no	
Do you have a conflict in participating in this request if so please specify.	yes	
	no	