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Subject: Recommendation to the EA in the context of the situation in Ukraine

Dear Ms Logghe,

National Accreditation Bodies and Conformity Assessment Bodies established in a Member State of the EU must comply with EU sanctions against Russia and Belarus (www.sanctionsmap.eu).

We took note with satisfaction of the EA statement of 7 March 2022 regarding the crisis in Ukraine and the support of the EA to the measures of the European Union.

In this respect, EA Members established in a Member State of the EU cannot offer accreditation services to Conformity Assessment Bodies established in Russia and Belarus if these bodies are listed in the EU sanctions list.

Moreover, we recommend to the EU based National Accreditation Bodies in the current circumstances to terminate their accreditation services to Conformity Assessment Bodies established in Russia and Belarus.

The above refers not only to new accreditations, but also to the renewal of existing accreditations and to the monitoring of Conformity Assessment Bodies.

Conformity Assessment Bodies cannot assess and certify products of operators established in Russia and Belarus if:

- a) these operators are listed in the EU sanctions list;
- b) these products are subject to an import ban in the EU.

Moreover, we recommend to the EU based Conformity Assessment Bodies that in the current circumstances they consider terminating their conformity assessment services for

products of operators established in Russia and Belarus, even if these products are not subject to an import ban in the EU.

The above refers not only to new assessments, but also to on-going ones. We addressed the same clarifications also to the Notified Bodies.

We kindly ask EA to disseminate copy of this letter to the accreditation and conformity assessment community.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)
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Director-General