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**Note
to CIML Members and OIML Issuing Authorities**

Subject: Publication of R 60 and R 76 Declarations of Mutual Confidence

Dear Colleagues,

Further to the implementation of the OIML Mutual Acceptance Arrangement (MAA) which began in January 2005 with OIML R 60 *Load cells* and R 76 *Nonautomatic weighing instruments*, we are pleased to inform you that the first two Declarations of Mutual Confidence (DoMC) related to these categories of measuring instruments have now officially been published on the MAA pages of the OIML web site.

The publication is in the form of two summaries of the individual registration forms signed by each participant. The original registration forms are kept by the BIML.

The summaries indicate in particular:

- the Participants in each DoMC and their Testing Laboratories, if applicable,
- the status of participation (Issuing Participant or Utilizing Participant),
- the evaluation capabilities of the Issuing Participants,
- the additional requirements accepted by the Committee on Participation Review (CPR).

References of the applicable testing procedures related to the additional requirements are mentioned in the summaries. The testing procedures are also available on the MAA pages of the OIML web site together with the applicable checklists and test report format, if applicable.

As soon as the DoMCs are officially published, Issuing Participants shall issue their OIML Evaluation Reports and OIML Certificates of Conformity under the MAA. May we remind you that the fees adopted by the CIML for registration for an OIML Certificate under a DoMC are 510 € in 2006 and 520 € in 2007.

Issuing Authorities which do not participate in these DoMCs or which participate as a Utilizing Participant only, may continue to issue their OIML Evaluation Report and OIML Certificates of Conformity according to the requirements of OIML B 3 during the transitory period. The transitory period has been proposed by the CPR and will be submitted for approval to the CIML at its 41st Meeting in Cape Town.

Further to this official publication, the final CPR has been established. Lists of representatives in the R 60 CPR and R 76 CPR are now available on the MAA pages without any restrictive access.

As you are probably aware, OIML R 76 has been revised and will be submitted for approval to the CIML at its 41st Meeting in Cape Town. Assuming it is approved, the R 76 DoMC should be revised to take into account the new edition of OIML R 76-1 and OIML R 76-2 (which has been already approved).

In addition, Participants have already indicated their intention to modify their status of participation and some new countries have indicated their intention to participate.

Therefore, after the 41st CIML Meeting, the BIML will send out a circular requesting new applications or revisions of applications.

Considering the number of issues to be discussed for the revision of the R 60 and R 76 DoMCs, a CPR Meeting should be scheduled for May 2007.

CIML Members are invited to forward this Circular to their national OIML Issuing Authorities and to any national type approval body or national responsible body that may be concerned by the MAA implementation.

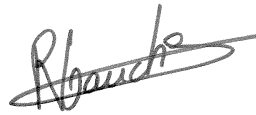
We would like to remind you that much information about the MAA process (e.g. information related to the implementation, operating rules for the CPR and DoMCs, interpretations of OIML Publication B 10-1, content of an application, etc.) is available on the MAA pages of the OIML website: www.oiml.org/maa.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any additional information.

Yours faithfully,

Handwritten signature of Jean-François Magaña in black ink, consisting of stylized initials and a horizontal line.

Jean-François Magaña
Director, BIML

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