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To: CIML Members

**Subject: CIML Preliminary Ballot on the Draft Revision of OIML B 10
*Framework for a Mutual Acceptance Arrangement on OIML Type Evaluations (MAA)***

Dear Colleagues,

The Draft Revision of OIML Basic Publication B 10 *Framework for a Mutual Acceptance Arrangement on OIML Type Evaluations (MAA)* has been uploaded onto the Members Page of the OIML web site in the form of a WinZip file. CIML Members are now invited to vote and comment in a Preliminary Ballot (see <https://www.oiml.org/members>). I would like to remind you that one of your obligations as a CIML Member is to vote in CIML Preliminary Ballots.

As most of you are aware, TC 3/SC 5 has been working to revise the two key OIML Basic Publications that pertain to the OIML Certificate System: OIML B 3 *OIML Basic Certificate System for OIML Type Evaluation of Measuring Instruments* and OIML B 10. Recently, TC 3/SC 5 P-Members voted on and passed a 2 CD of B 10. Accordingly, the First Draft Basic Publication (1 DB) of both of these Publications have been prepared, taking into account comments received on the respective CDs.

A number of support documents to accompany this DB are also accessible on the above web page:

- Comments Template for the 1 DB of B 10;
- 2 CD of B 10 on which TC 3/SC 5 has just voted (for reference);
- Table of Synthesis of Comments with the Secretariat's Replies on the 2 CD of B 10 (with voting results).

Please vote and comment on the online Preliminary Ballot by Friday, 8 July, 2011.

In addition, you will find a report by OIML TC 3/SC 5 entitled "Taking into account test results from Manufacturers' Testing Laboratories (MTL) under controlled supervision by the Issuing Participants in DoMCs" (dated 22 March 2011). This report summarizes the actions and proposals of TC 3/SC 5 in response to Resolution No. 20 adopted at the 43rd CIML Meeting. As a result, TC 3/SC 5 has voted on and agreed to propose the following Draft Resolution for voting at the 46th CIML Meeting:

Further to Resolution No. 20 at the 43rd CIML Meeting, Issuing Participants may request the registration of Manufacturers' Testing Laboratories (MTLs) under a DoMC, provided that the conditions agreed by TC 3/SC 5 and laid down in a respective amendment to OIML B 10 are met. OIML MAA Type Evaluation Reports that contain test results from MTLs may be accepted by Participants on a voluntary basis.

The results of the respective TC 3/SC 5 vote, along with a Table of Synthesis of Comments with the Secretariat's Replies, are available on the Preliminary Ballot web page (Members' home page). While CIML Members are not being asked to vote on this Resolution during this Preliminary Ballot, it is presented here for informational purposes.

Chapter 3 of the report proposes certain conditions that would be required in order for test data from MTLs to be used in the MAA. OIML TC 3/SC 5 also voted on including these in the 1 DB of B 10, but that proposal did not obtain the necessary number of positive votes. The results of that vote, along with a Table of Synthesis of Comments with the Secretariat's Replies, are available in the WinZip file. Thus, in the event of positive CIML votes on both the 1 DB of B 10 and the above Resolution, TC 3/SC 5 will request that the CIML approve a new project "Amendment to B 10" in order to further discuss and include appropriate conditions for the registration of MTLs in B 10, on the basis of Chapter 3 of the report.

As the primary author of that Report, Dr. Roman Schwartz, CIML Member for Germany and CIML Second Vice-President, will present a summary of the discussions within and proposals of TC 3/SC 5 at the 46th CIML Meeting with a view to exploring possible ways forward to incorporate test data from MTLs into the OIML MAA, both on a short-term and long-term basis.

Best regards,

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