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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE MEETING BETWEEN THE OFFICERS
OF ILAC & IAF AND THE IEC-CAB HELD IN VANCOUVER,
WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2009.**

Participants:

Daniel Pierre	Chairman ILAC
Thomas Facklam	Chairman IAF
Randy Dougherty	Chairman IAF TC & new elected Chairman IAF
Regina Robertson	Chairman ILAC AIC
John Owen	Corporate Secretary IAF
Annette Dever	Secretary ILAC
Guenther Beer	German Manufacturer's Association
Joe Gryn	IEC - CAB Delegate
Pierre de Ruvo	Head of the IEC-CAB Delegation

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I. JGA SYDNEY RESOLUTION 7 – CERTIFICATION TO ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

JGA Sydney Resolution 7 – Certification to accreditation standards:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the JCCC, resolves that when a Conformity Assessment Body (CAB), accredited by an Accreditation Body (AB), is providing certification to any standard used as a basis for accrediting CABs (e.g. ISO/IEC 17025 or ISO 15189), the AB shall initiate its process for suspension of accreditation, as this behaviour of the CAB will put the AB, against its will, in the condition of providing the same service that a CAB performs, in violation of clause 4.3.6 of ISO/IEC 17011. Further decisions shall be based on the actions taken by the CAB.

All IAF and ILAC AB members shall include a suitable provision on such a possibility in their contracts with CABs.

Note: It is accepted that a CAB may have to assess subcontractors to confirm that they meet the CABs' requirements, which may include accreditation standards e.g. ISO/IEC 17025. Documentation issued to subcontractors as a result of a successful assessment should clearly state that this is only for the purposes of the subcontract and is not certification or accreditation in accordance with ISO/IEC 17011.

CAB Decision 25/21: IAF/ILAC JGA Sydney Resolution 7

Concerning IAF/ILAC JGA Sydney Resolution 7, the CAB approves the proposed wording for the IEC Systems' certificates of approval, provided that clear reference is made to the relevant documents which specify the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 that were assessed to qualify the Testing Laboratory.

OUTCOME OF THE MEETING: With the clarification elements as provided by the IEC-CAB Delegation it was agreed that the wording being used by IEC C A Systems in their certificates of Approval and/or Competence, in referencing ISO/IEC 17025 together with the System's Rules and Operational Documents, does not cause anymore concerns from both ILAC and IAF perspective.

OUTCOME OF THE MEETING: it was agreed that from IAF and ILAC perspective there were no more outstanding issues related to JGA Sydney Resolution 7 and that both ILAC and IAF recognize that the IEC CA Models are acceptable to both Organizations (or else: not infringing the JGA Sydney Resolution 7).

ACTION: IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly to ratify the outcome of the meeting

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Dear Pierre,

On behalf of Daniel and Thomas, I am pleased to advise that the **ILAC and IAF Joint General Assemblies have approved the resolutions** as agreed at the meeting in Vancouver last Wednesday.
We look forward to continuing the improved cooperation with IEC.

Kind regards

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FROM: Pierre de Ruvo <pro@iec.ch>
Dear Annette and Daniel,

This is to confirm that the **IEC Conformity Assessment Board has approved the resolutions** as agreed at the meeting we had last Wednesday in Vancouver.
Please also pass this information to Randy, Thomas, Regina and John.
I am looking forward to receiving from you the result of the General Assembly(ies) accordingly.

Best Regards,

Pierre

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ILAC Resolution GA 13.31 Attachment



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Adopted Resolutions for IAF and ILAC at the 9th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly

19 October 2009, Vancouver, Canada

JGA Vancouver Resolution 1 - IEC

The Joint General Assembly agrees that the wording provided by IEC (refer to notes 1 and 2) conforms with the intent of Joint General Assembly Sydney Resolution 7. The Joint General Assembly supports the preparation of a joint communiqué by the ILAC and IAF Executives publicising this resolution.

Note 1: For IECEE System: Certificate of Approval of a Manufacturer's Testing Laboratory

The above Manufacturer's Testing Laboratory facilities and staff have been assessed in accordance with the IECEE Peer Assessment Programme and found to comply with the requirements of the latest Editions of the Basic Rules IECEE 01, Rules of Procedure IECEE 02 and the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 for the testing of electrotechnical equipment and components under the IECEE System, as specified in the IECEE Operational Documents.

Note 2: For IECQ System: Certificate of Approval of an Independent Testing Laboratory

The organization, facilities and procedures of the Laboratory have been assessed and found to comply with all the relevant requirements for Independent Testing Laboratory organization approval, in support of the IECQ system, which is in accordance with the Basic Rules IECQ 01 and Rules of Procedure QC 001002-3 clause 2.4 of the IEC Quality Assessment System for Electronic Components (IECQ) and with the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 for the testing of electronic components under the IECQ System, as specified in the IECQ Operational Documents.