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## 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to explain the accreditation processes of Conformity Assessment Bodies operating abroad with NAC accreditation or applying to NAC for accreditation from abroad, in accordance with the "cross-frontier accreditation policies" of APAC, IAAC, IAF, and ILAC.

## 2. SCOPE

This document covers all Conformity Assessment Bodies accredited domestically and providing services in other countries or applying for accreditation from abroad, along with all processes related to cross-frontier accreditation.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this guideline are provided in INST.001-NAC Instructions for Definitions and Abbreviations Used in NAC Documentation.

## 4. RELATED DOCUMENTS

ILAC-G21:09/2012 Cross-Frontier Accreditation Principles for Cooperation  
PR.017-NAC Procedure for the Accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies  
FR.161-NAC Notification Form from a CAB Outside of the Country (Economy)

## 5. IMPLEMENTATION

When an application is received from outside the NAC economic area, the accreditation officer reviews the application according to the PR.017-NAC Procedure for the Accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies. This procedure involves evaluating the resource review. However, if such an application for accreditation is requested from another country/economy where there is an ILAC/APAC MRA signatory or if a transfer of accreditation from another accreditation body is requested, NAC acts in accordance with the rules specified in the ILAC G21 document based on its international agreements.

For cross-frontier accreditation, unless the applicant CAB provides an acceptable reason, NAC aims to cooperate at the highest level with the local accreditation body. When a Conformity Assessment Body wishes to transfer its accreditation, NAC must be informed about the reasons for this application and have detailed information about the current accreditation status and all matters related to the previous accreditation body.

If there is an accreditation body operating in the place where the organization is located abroad, the accreditation officer requests a detailed explanation from the organization as to why foreign accreditation services are being sought. The organization is asked to fill out the FR.161-NAC Notification Form for a CAB from Outside the Country (Economy) to record the reasons. NAC must also inform the local accreditation body of the request, while maintaining

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the confidentiality of the Conformity Assessment Body. If the local accreditation body cannot provide the accreditation services, NAC should provide the requested services.

Involvement of the local accreditation body: Whenever possible and acceptable to the CAB, the local accreditation body will be involved in the audit process through participation or observation.

Selection of the Assessment Team: NAC applies its own procedures for the selection of the team and, whenever possible, provides the local accreditation body's personnel with the opportunity to participate in or observe the assessment process. To make assignments, NAC must have detailed information about the qualifications and experience of these individuals. Once agreed, the application is processed like a normal application and the same fee structure applies.

## 6. REVISION TABLE

Date	Section	Amendment
19.03.2020	Header	Logo is changed.
01.08.2022	3.1, 3.2	Corrected "outside the country" as "outside the USA".
10.02.2023	3.1	"and without profit" removed due to legal status change.
20.04.2023	3	Related Documents are added.
20.04.2023	4	Implementation Section is entirely changed.
22.03.2024	Header	The document coding is changed.
22.03.2024	All	Revised document codes are written.
22.03.2024	All	Main headings have been arranged in accordance with the document management procedure.