

International Accreditation Forum, Inc.

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Dear IAF Members,

In response to the situation in Ukraine, IAF reminds Members that:

- 1. Individual ABs need to take account of their compliance (and those of their accredited CABs) with the United Nations and other applicable sanctions;
- 2. The same principle needs to be applied by CABs with reference to certified organizations under their jurisdiction;
- 3. That Members, as already was done for COVID-19 pandemic, need to refer to IAF ID 3:2011 *Informative Document for Management of Extraordinary Events or Circumstances Affecting ABs, CABs and Certified Organizations;* and
- 4. Regional Accreditation Groups should analyse the situation and consider legal advice in relation to their membership criteria.

We hope that the situation will be resolved as soon as possible, and that we can resume working together for our common goals.

IAF continues to seek legal advice and will continue to update Members, as required.

Best regards,

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