Notes:

Black font means comments sought by ISED.

Blue font means comments provided by ENAC.

A. ISED seeks comments on:

1. Proposed procedure to recognize accreditation bodies in non-MRA countries (annex A)

No further comments.

B. ISED seeks comments on:

1. Proposed procedure for recognition of testing laboratories (annex B)

Section 5 c) It seems this requirement is not considering ILAC’s recommendations for transition period for new issues of ISO/IEC 17025 moreover when a new issue is coming soon.

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Section 11 b) It seems this requirement is not considering ILAC’s recommendations for transition period for new issues of ISO/IEC 17025 moreover when a new issue is coming soon.

Section 14. Communication by DA to ISED related to changes in “(c) subsequent reassessments” is not clear enough to know what changes detected on these reassessments should be reported to ISED moreover considering that changes in accreditation scopes and status shall be reported.

2. Proposed technical assessment checklist (annex C)

Question 45. Requirement for ISED’s recognition of subcontracted laboratories seems to be missed in this question and no other question related to this topic.

3. Changes to other documents related to the accreditation of testing laboratories (annex D)

No further comments

C. ISED seeks comments on:

1. Proposed scope of accreditation for testing laboratories

No further comments

2. Recommendation on any other RSS or BETS that should be split in separate categories

No further comments
D. ISED seeks comments on:

1. Proposed transition period of six (6) months following the publication of the decision and relevant procedures

   6 months seems to be too short to complete a fully accreditation process.

2. Proposed accreditation renewal period every two (2) years for testing laboratories

   No further comments.