



39th CIML

Item 6 Technical activities

6.1 Approval of International Documents (if the results of the CIML postal ballot are non-conclusive)

In October 2004 there were ongoing CIML postal approvals of the following International Documents:

- Revision of D 1 *Elements for a Law on Metrology* (status of voting on 10/08: 27 Yes, 0 No);
- Combined revision of D 6 + D 8 *Measurement Standards. Choice, Recognition, Use, Conservation and Documentation* (status of voting on 10/08: 28 Yes, 0 No);

Since the CIML postal ballot did not give conclusive results, it is proposed that the CIML approve the above-mentioned revised International Documents.

The new International Document D 28 *Conventional value of the result of weighing in air* (revision of R 33 converted into a Document) was approved in September by 40 Yes votes (1 No vote and 0 Abstentions) and the revised D 14 *Training and qualification of legal metrology officers* was approved in October by 32 Yes votes (0 No votes and 0 Abstentions).

6.2 Examination of the situation of certain OIML TCs and SCs

6.2.1 Transfer of responsibility for TC 6, TC 9/SC 3 and vacant SCs

Mr. S. Carstens, the CIML Member for South Africa, has announced his willingness and availability to assume responsibility for the Secretariat of TC 6 *Prepackaged products*, currently held by the US.

After a preliminary discussion with Dr. C. Ehrlich, the USA CIML Member, the Presidential Council preliminarily endorsed the transfer of the TC 6 Secretariat from the US to South Africa during its meeting in February and requested the US Secretariat to hand over the complete file of TC 6 to the new Secretariat in SABS. The new Secretariat has already (re)started developing a draft of a Document on the International Quantity mark scheme.

Based on a recent preliminary agreement between the US and Germany it is proposed to transfer the responsibility for the Secretariat of TC 9/SC 3 *Weights* from the US to Germany since this Secretariat has finalized all three projects (revisions of R 52, R 111 and R 33) with active contributions from the PTB, and the PTB is ready to assume responsibility for this Subcommittee.

It is requested that the CIML approve these transfers of responsibility.

In addition, the Secretariat of TC 8/SC 2 has been vacant for 3 years; volunteers are also needed to assume responsibility for TC 10/SC 3 *Barometers* since the UK has resigned as Secretariat.

6.2.2 Proposal to withdraw two Recommendations

In October 2004 there were ongoing CIML postal ballots on two OIML Recommendations that were proposed to be withdrawn:

- R 33 *Conventional value of the result of weighing in air* (CIML postal ballot result as at 09/30: 41 Yes / 1 No / 0 Abstentions)
- R 62 *Performance characteristics of metallic resistance strain gauges* (CIML postal ballot result as at 09/30: 29 Yes / 0 No / 2 Abstentions)

It is proposed to submit both Recommendations directly to the Conference for withdrawal.

As a consequence of the withdrawal of R 62, the US Secretariat of TC 10/SC 6 proposes that this SC be dissolved. A formal proposal will be submitted to the CIML at its 40th Meeting for approval.

6.2.3 New work projects proposed by TCs and SCs

- The TC 16/SC 1 Secretariat (together with ISO TC 22/SC 5) proposes to start revising R 99/ISO 3930 *Instruments for measuring vehicle exhaust emissions* as a new work project (8 P-members (out of 11) that voted, voted for the revision).
- The TC 18/SC 2 Secretariat proposes a new work project *Clinical infrared ear thermometers* instead of the revision of R 7 *Clinical thermometers, mercury-in-glass with maximum device* (Result of an inquiry in 2003 and 5 P-members (out of 8) and 3 O-members (out of 10) present at the Subcommittee meeting held in June supported this proposal).

Since the final result of voting within the above mentioned SCs is not yet available and taking into account the importance of these projects, it is proposed that the CIML approve both projects.

6.2.4 Implementation of the revised R 61(2004) within the OIML Certificate System

R 61 (2004) is the second revised Recommendation that has been applicable within the System since its publication in 1996. The transformation requirements for Certificates issued against the 1996 edition (*Supplement to OIML R 61 Automatic gravimetric filling instruments*) has been drawn up by TC 9/SC 2 according to the decision of the 38th CIML meeting and will be applicable as soon as approved and published.

It is proposed that the CIML set the deadline for issuing Certificates according to the 1996 edition of R 61 to 31 December 2005.

Issuing Authorities may notify the BIML about their readiness to issue Certificates according to the requirements of the revised R 61 (2004), since R 61-1 has already been published and the publication of R 61-2 (2004) is imminent.