

Questions for Montreux Document Forum Participants

A. Regulation of PSCs

- What government entities/agencies are authorized to regulate, license, and monitor private security activities in your country?
- Does your country have any laws that apply specifically to private security companies or activities? If so, briefly summarize their content.

B. Standards

Does your government recognize or require the use of performance standards (national, regional, or international) for the provision of private security services?

- If so, what are those standards? If not, are there any processes under way to either recognize existing standards or develop new standards in this area?
- Does your government restrict the use of national standards from foreign or international standards bodies?
- Where national, regional, and international standards exist, does your government require the use of your national standard, a regional standard where you participate in the regional standards organization, or an international standard (e.g., ISO)?

C. Status of Accreditation Services and Certification Bodies under national law.

- Does your government have a national accreditation service?
- If so, does your national accreditation service have official status under a department or ministry of your government?
- Does accreditation of a registry or certification body by your national accreditation body confer recognition by your government or authorization to conduct conformance audits?
- What guidance or restrictions inform the accreditation of certification bodies and the process of certification by those bodies in your country?
- Does certification by an accredited registry or certification body grant any official government recognition of conformance to a standard or specification when such conformance is required by law?

D. Confidentiality:

Are the findings of a conformity assessment audit releasable:

- Upon reasonable request from a member of the public?
- As evidence in a civil suit or tort action?
- As evidence in criminal proceedings?

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E. Monitoring:

Are there any regulatory or policy considerations that would impact the ability of ICoCA accredited monitors to conduct in-field monitoring on Private Security Company activity:

- Within your territory?
- That support your national operations overseas (example: UN Peacekeeping Operations)?
- To interview and report on public perceptions on security operations associated with your national operations overseas (e.g., UNPKO) or within your territory (e.g., security for mining or extractive concerns or humanitarian de-mining.)?