



**Financial Audit Guidelines  
Subcommittee**

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**Subject: Proposed Revised and Redraft to International Standard on Auditing No. 260 - COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE**

This letter provides the comments of the Financial Audit Guidelines Subcommittee of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) on the proposed revised and redraft to International Standard on Auditing (ISA) No. 260 – Communication With Those Charged With Governance, issued for comments in November 2006.

The Financial Audit Guidelines Subcommittee is comprised of experts from the Supreme Audit Institutions of Brazil, Canada, Cameroon, Namibia, Norway, United States, United Kingdom, Korea, Jordan, Sweden and the European Court of Auditors. Comments reflect the opinion of the experts. The Subcommittee also encourages the respective Supreme Audit Institutions to provide their own comments on proposed International Standards of Auditing.

The Financial Audit Guidelines Subcommittee has appointed an expert to the IAASB task force to revise the ISA. Therefore, comments reflecting the public sector environments, as defined by the INTOSAI expert, have already to a high extent been discussed in the development work.

We commend the International Auditing and Assurance Board (IAASB) for addressing the comments we had provided in response to the March 2005 exposure draft. We support the proposed revised standard, and find that the redraft has to a great deal clarified the guidance. In response to the specific questions asked we have the following answers.

We do believe that:

- The objective to be achieved by the auditor , stated in the

proposed redrafted ISA is appropriate,

- the criteria identified for determining whether a requirement should be specified have been applied appropriately and consistently, in such way that the resulting requirements promote consistency in performance and use of professional judgment by auditors

We do not have any specific comments to the revised and redrafted standard.

We thank you for considering our comments on this standard, and we welcome the opportunity to work with the IAASB to develop globally accepted auditing standards for use in both the public and private sectors.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gert Jönsson', followed by a vertical red line.

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