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Dear ANAB-Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies,

We write to address the emerging crisis occurring in Ukraine, the economic sanctions being imposed against Russia by the international community, and the possible impact of this evolving situation on ANAB-accredited services and programs. We at ANAB are continuing to analyze the impact of these events and sanctions, particularly the sanctions imposed by the U.S. government, and we will provide you with any guidance. We ask that you carefully monitor the situation as well and determine the impact on you and your stakeholders.

We are reaching out to you, our customers, to reaffirm that all ANAB accredited conformity assessment bodies must remain in full conformance with all relevant requirements. This includes compliance with any relevant sanctions issued by the US Government, internationally and local governments. It is essential that you monitor existing and emerging/new sanctions and that you remain knowledgeable of accreditation requirements. Timely response and implementation are key, and care should be taken to avoid transactions with an entity that has been identified by the U.S. Department of Treasury Office of Financial Assets Control (OFAC) on the Specially Designated Nationals List. See [https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/ukraine-russia-related-sanctions](https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/ukraine-russia-related-sanctions)

ANAB will continue to communicate updates through our website and directly with our accredited conformity assessment bodies when an update is specific to an accreditation program. Please reach out to your main contact at ANAB with any questions.

In the meantime, we join others throughout the world in a call for peace and an end to the current conflict in Ukraine.

Regards,

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