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Comments from Switzerland on UIP's document OCTI/RID/CE/42/5c)

The expert from Switzerland has noted the proposal referred to above and would like to set out his comments on it.

The author justifies his proposal by saying that it is an editorial improvement to the text. The proposed text will in fact give rise to numerous questions, depending on the interpretation of "recognized by the competent authority of a Member State". For example: the competent authority of **which** Member State?

Thus worded, this provision could be understood in a very broad sense: any competent authority, provided it comes from a Member State of COTIF.

From Switzerland's point of view, it is the responsibility of the competent national authority of the State on whose territory the testing centre is active to supervise it.

Switzerland's standpoint is based on the principle of territoriality, which is applied among the Member States of COTIF.

Switzerland proposes to discuss this matter as a whole. Switzerland does not support the UIP proposal in the form submitted.

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