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7.3 Decision on Certification

- 7.3.1 A certificate shall only be issued after a positive certification decision has been taken by the CAB's certification decision-making entity.
- 7.3.2 The CAB shall not issue or re-issue a certificate if there are outstanding major non-conformities.
- 7.3.3 Audit evidence shall be no more than six (6) months old.
- 7.3.4 The final audit report shall indicate if any or all of the client's operation has been re-audited.
- 7.3.5 The CAB shall retain the right to delay or postpone its decision on certification in order to take proper account of new or additional information, which has become available to the CAB and which has not already been considered in its evaluation report and which, in the opinion of the CAB, could affect the outcome of its evaluation.
 - 7.3.5.1 Additional information includes but not limited to inputs provided by stakeholders and interested parties.
 - 7.3.5.2 Any delays in the proposed timeline for the decision on certification due to the consideration of new or additional information shall be explained in the final report.
 - 7.3.5.3 Delays of more than seven (7) days shall be publicly communicated no later than the planned date of determination.
- 7.3.6 The CAB shall register a certificate in the ASC database before it is issued or re-issued.
 - 7.3.6.1 Registration shall include the entry of all specified data.
 - 7.3.6.2 In the case of a malfunction of the on-line registration service, the ASC shall be informed that a certificate has been issued or re-issued within ten (10) days of its issue or re-issue.
 - 7.3.6.3 Certificates, which are not registered with the ASC, shall not be valid.