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ICAP Comments on Exposure Draft 'Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements'

Dear Sir,

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan welcomes the opportunity to offer comments on the above Exposure Draft.

Please find enclosed the comments of the relevant Committee of the Institute for your perusal.

If you require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

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Specific Matters

Question 1

Whether respondents agree with the manner in which paragraph 17 has been changed to address reference to additional information that may be included in the auditor's report on the audited financial statements, as well as the additional guidance proposed in paragraph A15 and illustration 1 of the appendix to proposed ISA 810 (Revised)?

Answer 1

The main aim of summary financial statements is to remove most of the complex disclosures and concentrate on the key issues that are of relevance to individual stakeholders, and to enable companies to present the key information in a user friendly manner. Considering this, proposed changes to address the information gap related to a material uncertainty related to going concern and a material misstatement of other information, a reference to the communication of key audit matters in the auditor's report and alignment of the layout of ISA 810 audit report in a manner consistent with those in ISA 700 (Revised) will help relevant stakeholders to easily comprehend key subject matters in summary financial statements.

Question 2

Whether respondents believe any further changes to ISA 810 are necessary as a result of the new and revised Auditor Reporting standards. If so, the IAASB would like to understand respondents' rationale as to why these further changes are needed as well as views as to when the Board should develop and propose such changes in light of its other priorities?

Answer 2

The proposed amendments are sufficient to align ISA 810 with the new and revised Auditor Reporting standards.

General Matters

Preparers (including Small-and Medium-Sized Entities (SMEs), and Users (including Regulators)

No comment

Developing Nations

We don't foresee any difficulty in applying proposed amendments in a developing nation environment.