Update from the Non-Governmental Accreditation Body (NGAB) Working Group

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The TNI Board has approved posting an announcement to solicit applicants for appointment to the TNI Non-Governmental Accreditation Body Recognition Committee (TNRC). The NGAB working group believes it is important to have the TNRC-appointed before the summer meeting in order for the committee to have input on some of the final details of the recognition process.

As stated in the draft SOP, this is a group of 5 individuals appointed by the Board that would grant recognition to NGABs. The Board also approved formation of a Nominating Committee, chaired by Steve Arms, to review applicants and recommend a slate of candidates to the Board for approval. The estimated timeline for this process is:

- June 27, 2014 — Deadline for submission of application by potential candidates.
- July 3, 2014 — Based upon a review of applications, the Nominating Committee develops a slate of candidates.
- July 9, 2014 — The TNI Board of Directors reviews the slate and elects members to the TNRC.
- July 10, 2014 — The TNRC begins operation.

The NGAB working group has completed the final draft of the NGAB Evaluation SOP and appendices. The final draft will be posted for review on the TNI website and then forwarded to the Policy Committee for approval.