P802.1Qcr-D0.4 - Restructuring Contents of PSFP and ATS

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Introduction

About
During the comment resolution of P802.1Qcr/D0.3, it was decided that the restructuring of PSFP and ATS related clauses is done before elevating the project to working group ballot stage:

- [http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/cr-drafts/d0/802-1Qcr-d0-3-dis.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/cr-drafts/d0/802-1Qcr-d0-3-dis.pdf), comment 23
- [http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/cr-drafts/d0/802-1Qcr-D0-1-dis.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/cr-drafts/d0/802-1Qcr-D0-1-dis.pdf), comment 2

Purpose of this Presentation
Introduce and discuss:
- Modifications to Q-Rev (PSFP) and Qcr
- Considered alternatives
- Things to re-consider

Important
• This slide set is based on previous slides from previous discussions during creation of Qcr-D0.4 (smaller group) – additional verbal explanation to written statements necessary.
• Subsequent slides refer to P802.1Qcr/D0.3, P802.1Qcr/D0.4 and 802.1Q-Rev/D2.2 (Q-Rev). The latter (Q-Rev) includes PSFP, as initially specified in P802.1Qci.
Clauses in Q-Rev, Qcr, and Overview
PSFP related clauses in Q-Rev

• **5.4.1.8 Per-stream filtering and policing (PSFP) requirements**
  VLAN Bridge component requirements for PSFP

• **5.4.1.9 Cyclic queuing and forwarding (CQF) requirements**

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  End-station component requirements for PSFP

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• **8.6.5.1 Per-stream filtering and policing**

• **8.6.5.1.1 Stream filter instance table**
  Semantics, operations and parameters of stream filters, as introduced by PSFP.

• **8.6.5.1.2 Stream gate instance table**
  Semantics, operations and parameters of stream gates, as introduced by PSFP.

• **8.6.5.1.3 Flow meter instance table**
  MEF 10.3 meter parameters.

• **8.6.6.1 PSFP queuing**
  Handling of Internal Priority Values (IPV) during queueing, as assigned by stream gates.

• **8.6.10 Stream gate control state machines**
  Operation of stream gate FSMs, which open and close the gates in a time-triggered fashion.

• **12.31 Managed objects for per-stream filtering and policing**

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• **12.31.2 The Stream Filter Instance Table**

• **12.31.3 The Stream Gate Instance Table**

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• **17.2.24 Structure of the IEEE8021-PSFP-MIB**

• **A.5 Major capabilities, Item PSFP**

• **A.14 Bridge Management, item MGT-250**

• **A.24 Management Information Base (MIB), item MIB-44**

• **A.46 Per-stream filtering and policing, all items**

• **B.5 Major capabilities, item PSFP**

• **B.17 Per-stream filtering and policing, all items**

• **Annex T: Cyclic queuing and forwarding**
  Uses PSFP, time-triggered stream gate open/close operation and IPV assignments in particular, to realize CQF.
ATS clauses in Qcr/D0.3

- **5.4.1.10 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS) requirements**
  VLAN Bridge component requirements for ATS

- **5.13.1.2 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS) requirements**
  MAC Bridge component requirements for ATS

- **5.32 End station requirements—asynchronous traffic shaping**
  End-station component requirements for ATS

- **8.6.5.1 Per-stream filtering and policing**

- **8.6.5.2.1 Stream filter instance table**
  Required subset of those elements specified for PSFP in 8.6.5.1.1 + new elements for ATS

- **8.6.5.2.2 Stream gate instance table**
  Required subset of those elements specified for PSFP in 8.6.5.1.1 + new elements for ATS

- **8.6.5.2.3 Shaper instance table and shaper group instance table**
  Organization of ATS shaper instances in groups, parameters and variables, association with the ATS shaper state machines.

- **8.6.6.2 ATS Queuing**
  Handling of Internal Priority Values (IPV)

- **8.6.8.5 ATS Transmission Selection Algorithm**
  Transmission according to eligibility times, as assigned by ATS shaper state machines.

- **8.6.11 ATS Shaper State Machine**
  Pseudo-code and explanation of ATS shaper state machines.

  - 12.34.1 The Stream Parameter Table, 12.34.2 The Stream Filter Instance Table, 12.34.3 The Stream Gate Instance Table
    Similar to PSFP, but text in each clause for two case: 1) Both, ATS and PSFP, are supported, and 2), only ATS is supported (i.e. no PSFP support)

  - 12.34.4 The Shaper Instance Table, 12.34.5 The Shaper Group Instance Table
    ATS-only parameters.

  - 17 Management Information Base (MIB)
    Placeholder for external contribution (see http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/cr-drafts/d0/802-1Qcr-D0-1-dis.pdf, comment 16).

  - 48.3.9 Stream Filter and Stream Gate model
    UML model of a YANG module for the PSFP&ATS superset of stream filter and stream gate managed objects.

  - 48.3.11 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS) model
    UML model of a YANG module with ATS-only managed objects.

  - 48.4 Definition of 802.1Q YANG modules
    YANG tree and code for the aforementioned two modules.

    - A.5 Major capabilities, item ATS
    - A.14 Bridge Management, item MGT-250
    - A.24 Management Information Base (MIB)
      Placeholder for external contribution (see above)

    - A.48 YANG, items YANG-7 and YANG-9
    - A.49 Asynchronous traffic shaping, all items
    - B.5 Major capabilities, item ATS
    - B.17 Asynchronous traffic shaping, all items
    - Annex T: Asynchronous Traffic Shaping
      Collects informative clauses.
Restructuring: Overview

• Clause 5.*: No re-structuring (i.e., PSFP and ATS remain separate), adjusted references into 8.6.5 and 12.*

• **8.6.5: Restructured contents in a modular fashion**
  • 8.6.6.1 (PSFP queuing) and 8.6.6.2 (ATS queuing): No restructuring, adjusted references into 8.6.5 and 12.*.
  • Remainder of 8.6: No restructuring, adjusted references and descriptions

• **12.31 and 12.34: Merged, renamed, and restructured the content, in line with 8.6.5**
  • 17.2.24: No restructuring (i.e., MIB module for PSFP, compatible), adjusted text references and descriptions only
  • 48.* (YANG): No restructuring (i.e., one module for stream filters & stream gate, one for PSFP augmentation, one for ATS augmentation); adjusted text references and descriptions.
  • A.* and B.*: No restructuring, adjusted references into 8.6.5 and 12.*.
  • Annex T (CQF): No restructuring, adjusted references into 8.6.5 and 12.*.
Major clauses:
8.6.5, 12.31 and 12.34

8.6.5: Restructure contents in a modular fashion
12.31 and 12.34: Merge, rename, and restructure the content, in line with 8.6.5
New Structure of Clause 8.6.5

### Variant 865V1

- 8.6.5.1 Stream Filters and Stream Gates
  - 8.6.5.1.1 Stream Filters
  - 8.6.5.1.2 Stream Gates
- 8.6.5.2 Per-Stream Filtering and Policing (PSFP)
  - 8.6.5.2.1 Flow Meters
  - 8.6.5.2.2 Stream Blocking Options
  - 8.6.5.2.3 Counters
- 8.6.5.3 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS)
  - 8.6.5.3.1 Shaper Groups
  - 8.6.5.3.2 Shaper Instances

- Close to agreed Qcr comment responses
- Similar to current YANG module subdivision
- Lots of “extension text” in 8.6.5.2 and 8.6.5.3 to 8.6.5.1
- Less maintainable (future Projects, CQF1)

### Variant 865V2

- NEW 8.6.5 introduction text
- 8.6.5.1 Stream Filters
- 8.6.5.2 Stream Gates
- 8.6.5.3 Filter Specifications
  - 8.6.5.3.1 Maximum SDU Size Filters
  - 8.6.5.3.2 Flow Meters
  - 8.6.5.3.3 ATS Shapers
- 8.6.5.4 Stream Gate and Filter Applications
  - 8.6.5.4.1 Per-Stream Filtering and Policing (PSFP)
  - 8.6.5.4.2 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS)
- 8.6.5.5 Flow classification and metering compatibility

- High Modularity
- Extendable (future Projects, CQF1)
- satisfies the spirit of the comment responses

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1: CQF is beyond the scope of project 802.1Qcr – I intend to limit modifications in the current Annex T (CQF) to minor changes (clause reference fixes, item names, etc.). However, it would be possible to call the alternating queue assignment parts of CQF an application of 8.6.5.1 .. 8.6.5.3 in a new sub-clause 8.6.5.4.3 instead describing exactly this in Annex T.
2: Right now, there is a combined YANG module for Stream Filters and Stream Gates. However, following exactly the structure of 865V2 with separate YANG modules is technically unreasonable. There would be a separate stream filter YANG module, which would essentially just associate frames to stream filters, but without any associated action (e.g., dropping on misbehavior or similar).
New Structure of Clause 12

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Description

- PSFP owned clause 12.31, ATS owned clause 12.34
- Problem: Clause 12.34 (ATS) contained a lot of “if PSFP is supported {...}, else {...}” formulations
- There were two options to re-structure this (just for 865V2), as shown above

In 802.1Qcr/D0.4

- The option to the right, i.e.:
  - Put everything into 12.31
  - Eliminate clause 12.34 from Qcr
- The option to the left appears unrealistic, because sub-clause numbers in clause 12 are assigned in the order of 802.1 projects. There would be no continuous sequence (n,n+1,n+2), but contents would be cluttered across clause 12 instead (hard for readers).
8.6.5 Flow classification and metering

8.6.5.1 Per-stream Filtering and Policing
  8.6.5.1.1 Stream Filters
    e) Stream Filter Specifications
       1) Maximum SDU Size Filters
       2) Flow Meter IDs
  8.6.5.1.2 Stream Gates
  8.6.5.1.3 Flow Meters

8.6.5.2 ATS filtering and assignment func.
  8.6.5.2.1 Stream Filters
    d) Maximum SDU size Filters
    e) ATS Shaper IDs
  8.6.5.2.2 Stream Gates
  8.6.5.2.3 ATS Shapers

802.1Qcr/D0.4
8.6.5 Flow classification and metering
  <new initial text> // 8.6.5.1 – 8.6.5.5

8.6.5.3 Stream Filter Specifications
  8.6.5.3.1 Maximum SDU Size Filters
  8.6.5.3.2 Flow Meters
  8.6.5.3.3 ATS Shapers

8.6.5.4 Stream Filter and Gate Applications
  8.6.5.4.1 Per-stream Filtering and Policing
  8.6.5.4.2 ATS filtering and ...
8.6.5.5 … metering compatibility
  <old initial text> // pre-P802.1Qci
12.31 Managed objects for per-stream filtering and policing

12.31.1 Stream Parameter Table
12.31.2 Stream Filter Instance Table
12.31.3 Stream Gate Instance Table
12.31.4 Flow Meter Instance Table

802.1Q-Rev-2018/D2.2

802.1Qcr-dis/D0.1: #2, (#1, #6, #39)
802.1Qcr-dis/D0.3: #23

12.34 Managed objects for asynchronous traffic shaping

12.34.1 Stream Parameter Table
12.34.2 Stream Filter Instance Table
12.34.3 Stream Gate Instance Table
12.34.4 Shaper Instance Table
12.34.5 Shaper Group Instance Table
12.34.6 Shaper Group Instance Table
12.34.7 Port Parameter Table //D0.3,#22

If(PSFP) - elsif( no PSFP)
17.7.24 Definitions of the IEEE8021-PSFP-MIB module

In 802.1Qcr/D0.4, taken from Q-Rev, minor changes only in DESCRIPTION and REFERENCE

17.7.?? Definitions of the IEEE8021-ATS-MIB module

Not in 802.1Qcr/D0.4 – if clauses are contributed in a state ready for copy&paste, the editor can copy&paste it.

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**IEEE802-dot1q-psfp**

Experimental module on github.

**IEEE802-dot1q-stream-filters-gates**

In 802.1Qcr/D0.3 and 802.1Qcr/D0.4

**IEEE802-dot1q-ats**

In 802.1Qcr/D0.3 and 802.1Qcr/D0.4
Further explanation on selected topics (old slides with minor changes)
8.6.5 Flow classification and metering

The Forwarding Process may apply flow classification and metering to frames that are received on a Bridge Port and have one or more potential transmission ports.

Flow classification identifies a subset of traffic (frames) that may be subject to the same treatment in terms of metering and forwarding. Flow classification rules may be based on

a) Destination MAC address
b) Source MAC address
c) VID
d) Priority
e) connection_identifier.

Item c), specifying a VID value, is not applicable to VLAN-unaware MAC Relays. Item e), specifying a connection_identifier, is only applicable to bridges that support PSFP.

Frames classified using the same set of classification rules are subject to the same flow meter. The flow meter can change the drop_eligible parameter associated with each frame and can discard frames on the basis of the following parameters for each received frame and previously received frames, and the time elapsed since those frames were received:

f) The received value of the drop_eligible parameter
g) The mac_service_data_unit size
The flow meter shall not base its decision on the parameters of frames received on other Bridge Ports, or on any other parameters of those Ports. The metering algorithm described in the Metro Ethernet Forum (MEF) Technical Specification 10.3 (MEF 10.3) should be used.

NOTE 1—Changing the value of the drop_eligible parameter may change the contents of the frame, depending on how the frame is tagged when transmitted, which may then require updating the frame_check_sequence. Mechanisms for conveying information from ingress to egress that the frame_check_sequence may require updating are implementation dependent.

NOTE 2—The flow meter described here can encompass a number of meters, each with a simpler specification. However, given the breadth of implementation choice permitted, further structuring to specify, for example, that frames can bypass a meter or are subject only to one of a number of meters provides no additional information.

NOTE 3—Although flow metering is applied after egress (Figure 8-11), the meter(s) operate per reception Port (see first sentence of 8.6.5), not per potential transmission Port(s).

8.6.5.1 Per-stream filtering and policing
Issue: Initial text in Q-Rev, 8.6.5 (3)

This initial text of 8.6.5 had the following properties:

- Appears imprecise/unspecific. This may be intentional (see P132L9, NOTE 2)
- Contains little normative statements:
  - **S1(Implicit)**: Flow classification and metering happens after Egress filtering in the Forwarding Process
  - **S2**: A single flow meter **shall** not process frames from different input ports
  - **S3**: MEF 10.3 **should** be used for metering
  - **S4**: Flow **classification rules** **may** be based on DA, SA, VID, Priority, or connection_identifier (only for PSFP)
  - **S5**: “Frames classified using the same set of classification rules are subject to the same flow meter.”

Contrary, sub-clause 8.6.5.1 in Q-Rev (PSFP) was very specific, and thus:

- May be considered a very specific subset of the aforementioned initial text of 8.6.5.
- However, then it may already conflict: PSFP does more than metering according to MEF 10.3. E.g., stream gates, max. MTU size filters.
The essential questions for me were:

- **Q1**: What is this initial text of 8.6.5 good for?
- **Q2**: What is the normative information added by this text?
- **Q3**: I guess, as stated, the initial text in 8.6.5 is intended to be a superset of 8.6.5.1?

More thoughts on this:

- Due to its unspecific nature, it appeared to basically cover out-of-spec mechanisms (i.e., without PSFP).
- There was no management clause, no conformance clause, and no PICS table pointing to the initial text in 8.6.5 (Adobe search: whole word “8.6.5”) – maybe because it is unspecific. In particular, 8.6.5 is referred from 1) PSFP-specific contents and 2) Connectivity Fault Management (CFM) clause 22. There are 5.4.1.4 and PICS:CFM-60. The latter points to clause 22, but does not provide any useful details on 8.6.5.
Thought experiment on Q2

What happens if the old initial text in 8.6.5 disappears from a PSFP+ATS perspective:

- **S1 (Implicit):** Flow classification and metering happens after Egress filtering in the Forwarding Process
  → Nothing (figures, clause numbering in 8.6, etc. remains unchanged)

- **S2:** A single flow meter **shall** not process frames from different input ports
  → Would be lost – this should not happen, agreed. But this statement could just be added to the Flow Meters clause of PSFP, if needed at all (see S4 below...).

- **S3:** MEF 10.3 **should** be used for metering
  → It is just a “should”, and also covered by the PSFP meters [Q-Rev, 8.6.5.1], which are MEF10.3 meters. Besides (as indicated before), PSFP also introduces e.g. stream gates that “meter” based on a time-triggered algorithm (8.6.5.1.2) – these work different than MEF10.3 meters. So there is some inconsistency in Q-Rev, if the initial text is intended as a superset of 8.6.5.1.

- **S4:** Flow **classification rules may** be based on DA, SA, VID, Priority, or connection_identifier (only for PSFP)
  → connection_identifier identifier itself is associated with a VID and a MAC Address, plus it **is associated with a bridge port** [Q-Rev, 8.8.12]. I am unsure whether the latter is an input or output port association. If it is an input association, connection_identifier may already cover S2.

- **S5:** “Frames classified using the same set of classification rules are subject to the same flow meter.”
  → Nothing: Given that there is no specification of what a (Flow) classification rule is, nor multiple of these rules, this statement can be interpreted arbitrarily.
History:

- I saw that the initial text in 8.6.5 was introduced during IEEE 802.1Q-Rev-2005:
  - Evolution in 802.1Q-Rev-2005 drafts:
    - Partial initial occurrence in 802.1Q-Rev-2005/D0.0, clause 8.6.4.
    - Significant changes in 802.1Q-Rev-2005/D2.0
    - Slight changes in 802.1Q-Rev-2005/D3.0, including a ref. to comment 28 [Steve Haddock] of the comment disposition in an editor’s note.
  - The editor’s introduction of 802.1Q-Rev-2005/D4.0 indicate P802.1ad as a further potential source, which is declared as an amendment to 802.1Q-2003 (the “-2003” part disappears in 802.1ad drafts after D4.0).
  - References:
    - 802.1Q-Rev-2005/D0.0: http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/q-2005-drafts/d0/802-1q-rev-d0-0.pdf
    - 802.1ad/D4.0: http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/private/ad-drafts/d4/802-1ad-D4-0.pdf
Issue: Initial text in Q-Rev, 8.6.5 (7)

- Steve helped me a lot in understanding the purpose and history of the initial text in question:
  - Interworking with L3 DiffServ, and to support the use of Provider Bridging for the Carrier Ethernet Services being defined in MEF
  - The text was introduced to
    - Give an idea where the DEI bit is set
    - Specify the metering location in the forwarding process (i.e., after clause 8.6.4, “Egress filtering”)

In Qcr/D0.4

- Make PSFP and ATS orthogonal to the initial text rather than try to merge them
- Think about co-existence. It appears to me that we can leave this open, as it is right now.

Variant 865V2

New initial text here:
- Introduce Framework (8.6.5.1, 8.6.5.2, 8.6.5.3), maybe with a figure.
- Introduce application clause (8.6.5.4), which uses the framework.
- Introduce compatibility clause (8.6.5.5), if the framework is not used.

8.6.5.1 Stream Filters
   [Stream Classification]

8.6.5.2 Stream Gates

8.6.5.3 Filter Specifications
   [Stream Filters]

8.6.5.3.1 Maximum SDU Size Filters
8.6.5.3.2 Flow Meters
8.6.5.3.3 ATS Shapers
8.6.5.4 Stream Gate and Filter Applications

8.6.5.4.1 Per-Stream Filtering and Policing (PSFP)
8.6.5.4.2 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS)

8.6.5.5 Flow classification and metering compatibility

Old initial text here, not including PSFP parts
Issue: Prefix PSFP

Description

- Stream gates were introduced by PSFP, but are also used by ATS.
- Management variables Stream Gates use prefix PSFP.
- Historically, the prefix helped to distinguish between scheduled traffic output gates and PSFP stream gates (same variables exist for both).

Now in Qcr/D0.4

- Rename Table 12-31 Items: Change prefix PSFP to StreamGate.
- Do not change MIB variable names.
Two styles:

1. Q-Rev (PSFP):
   - 5.4.1.8, 5.13.1.1, and 5.27 (conformance) refer to 8.6.5.1, which includes 8.6.5.1.2, as well as 8.6.10 as requirements. 8.6.5.1.2, item h) is declared as optional in the text of 8.6.5.1.2. This item refers to the time-triggered gate control list, which has a state machine specified in 8.6.10.
   - No indication of optional elements in clause 12 (managed objects).
   - No optional items in the PICS (Annex A and B) for optional elements like 8.6.5.1.2., item h), all entries mandatory except MIB.

   ➔ The superset is referred from clauses 5 and the PICS; optional elements are only declared in 8.* via text.

2. Qcr/D0.3 (ATS):
   - The minimum subset of 8.6.5.1.* is specified in 8.6.5.2.*, plus additional specification if more than these subsets are present. Clause 5.4.1.10 refers to 8.6.5.2.*.
   - Case distinction (ATS with and without PSFP) in clause 12.34.*.
   - PICS refer to 8.6.5.2, which specifies subsets of 8.6.5.1.

   ➔ The bare minimum subset is referred from clauses 5 and the PICS; in addition optional elements are declared in 8.* and 12.34.* via text.

5.4.1.8 Per-stream filtering and policing (PSFP) requirements

A VLAN Bridge component implementation that conforms to the provisions of this standard for PSFP shall:

- Support PSFP as specified in 8.6.5.1 and 8.6.6.1.
- Support the state machines for stream gate control as specified in 8.6.10.
- Support the management entities for PSFP as specified in 12.31.

A.48 Per-stream filtering and policing

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5.4.1.10 Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (ATS) requirements

A VLAN Bridge component implementation that conforms to the provisions of this standard for ATS shall:

- Support the tables as specified 8.6.5.2.
- Support the state machines for stream gate control as specified in 8.6.5.2.
- Support the ATSM transmission selection algorithm as specified in 8.6.5.
- Support the ATSM shape state machine as specified in 8.6.5.
- Support the management entities for ATS as specified in 12.34.
- Support the YANG modules for management specified 48.3.9 and 48.3.11.

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<tr>
<td>ATS3</td>
<td>Does the implementation support the ATS shape state machine as specified in 8.6.5?</td>
<td>ATS-M</td>
<td>8.6.5.1</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ATS4</td>
<td>Does the implementation support the management entities defined in 12.34?</td>
<td>ATS-M</td>
<td>5.4.10 item e), 8.6.5.1, 12.34</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
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</table>
Clause 12: As mentioned, PSFP in Q-Rev and ATS in Qcr/D0.3 use different styles in this clause.

- The case distinction in Qcr/D0.3 appeared hard for readers (result of task group ballot comments). Moreover, Qcr omits a conformance column in Tables 12-*. 

- PSFP in Q-Rev has a conformance column in tables 12-*. However, the superset specification for PSFP with no optionality in Q-Rev appears inconsistent (see example).
Final Conclusion 8.6.5:

- The intention of “optional” Stream Gate Control Lists was to indicate that (a) implementations must support it, but (b) it may not be used in a particular run-time configuration.
- The term “optional” is removed in Qcr/D0.4 in order to avoid this confusion in future.
- **Conformance in clause 12 tables:**
  - Indicates PSFP, ATS, or both.

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Open Editorial Topics
1. A new numbered major clause for normative ATS description (currently only the end station behavior). It is clause 49 in Qcr/D0.4.

2. The correct letter for current Annex T of Qcr/D0.4 (Q-Rev already contains Annex T for CQF). It is informative Annex X in Qcr-D0.4.
Thank you for your Attention!

Questions, Opinions, Ideas?

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