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Chapter IX General Comments	BIPAR takes due note of the clarification in point 1.205 of the explanatory text, accompanying guideline 49, that insurance mediation activities are excluded from the scope of the outsourcing article 49.	
	We understand that when an intermediary is given the authority to settle claims or underwrite business, the outsourcing requirements can be applied, be it in a proportionate way.	

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	When for example an intermediary has a very limited claims settlement mandate given by a large, multi-branch insurance company, this could be subject to less formalities than an intermediary who would have an important mandate by a niche insurer in a niche branch.	
	From the same proportionality perspective that is embedded in the guidelines, we believe that if an intermediary can hand out a temporary cover note, this should not per se qualify as outsourcing.	
	BIPAR is of the opinion that, in order not to be over prescriptive, the guidelines should remain as high level as possible and focus on the outcomes/desired results, rather than on the tools which can lead to the results.	
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