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Reference	Comment	Resolution
General Comment	The Institute of Actuaries welcomes this CP. When the present CP extends the directive beyond a mere explanation, then it would be legally more comfortable to extend the legislation. (for instance organization of insurers). The implementation as at 1/1/2014 defers from the phasing in described in §4.3 of the cover note.	
Introduction General Comment		
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1.6	It is not clear at what date undertakings will have to comply .Suggestion : add at the end « To comply by January 1st, 2016 . As the cover note specifies it in §4.3, implementation of governance needs a progressive phasing in.	
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1.12	Same remark as for 1.6. It is not clear at what date undertakings will have to comply .Suggestion : add at the end « So that undertakings comply by January 1st, 2016	
Section I. General Comments		
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1.23	 1-We suggest to add elements on proportionality 2- It's difficult to understand such a principle: If only one or even two persons are involved, it's a matter of confidentiality that could be jeopardized. When an insurer is only a shell, it has only one general manager practically responsible for everything, which is an issue. 3- Can an executive committee (which is not 2 people but for instance a legal directory of 3 to 5 people) be seen as fulfilling the 4 eyes principle? 4- For shells (insurers witout salaried people), the responsibility lies at the Group level. 	
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1.32	We don't understand practically which process can be used to ensure the collective fit requirement of the AMSB. GCAE could propose criterias to help insurers in deciding who is fit & proper.	
1.33	The « personnal behaviour » is a vague concept.	
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Chapter III General Comments		
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1.44	"c) risk tolerance limits with respect to the undertaking's key operational risk areas."	
	It could be difficult to set operational risk tolerance limits.	
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Chapter VIII General Comments		
1.77	Operational independence may be away from current culture and practice in many countries and non compatible with subordination associated with employment contract under salary base according to national labor law in many countries. Accordingly, the reference to operational independence cannot be enforced, since it has not enough legal base with an "explanatory text" as legal base. As a consequence, if operational independence is a material condition of efficiency, the responsibility devoted to the actuarial function holder cannot been assumed as developed in the CP.	
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1.81	"that the valuation models are stable with respect to small variations introduced in the parameters of these valuation models".	
	"Small" variations have different impacts on the models following the choosen parameters and assumptions. Everything depends on the meaning of small.	
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1.83	1.83 seems inappropriate for insurers whose function is to reassess risks and reserves as a continuous process. It would more appropriate that the AMSB makes sure that the actuarial function manages the evolution of the technical provisions.	
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