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## **INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION**

### **Technical Committee No. 3 Information structures, documentation and graphical symbols**

#### **Compilation of comments on document 3/610/DC: Proposal for withdrawal of symbols for electron tubes and electrochemical devices**

Document 3/610/DC was circulated to the National Committees with a request for comments.

Annex A contains a compilation of the comments received together with observations by the Secretariat.

The document will be discussed at the forthcoming plenary meeting of TC3.

## Annex

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National Committee	Clause/Subclause	Paragraph Figure/ Table	Type of comment (General/ Technical/ Editorial)	COMMENTS	Proposed change	OBSERVATIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT on each comment submitted
DE-01			General	We agree to the withdrawal of the symbols acc. to the proposal in CR 0067		Noted.
DK-01				The Danish National Committee supports the proposal.		Noted.
GB-01				<p>UK does not support this document for the following reason:</p> <p>- Although many of the symbols apply to devices that are obsolete, this is not a good reason to withdraw them. The computer database of symbols is not restricted as to numbers, the historical information could be useful and any obsolete symbols can be clearly marked as such.</p>		<p>The meaning of "withdrawal" was discussed at the last meeting of TC3, and following that discussion an explanation has been given in the description available in the database.</p> <p>Symbols can be withdrawn for two reasons: new ones replace them, or they are technically obsolete and therefore do not longer need to be actively promoted. In the last case they are still available in the database to all subscribers, but with the clear status "withdrawn". In the remark is stated that the reason for withdrawal is that they are considered technically obsolete. It is said in the description that such symbols are no longer maintained, but that they might still be used, should the need arise.</p> <p><b>Withdrawal does not mean deletion!</b></p> <p>This way to handle the withdrawn symbols seems to fully meet the requirements expressed in the</p>

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						comment from GB.
JP-01			General	Japan agrees with the proposal.		Noted.
NL-01			G	No comments.		Noted.
NO-01			G	The Norwegian NC is in favour of reducing the number of symbols related to electron tubes and electrochemical devices.		Noted.
NO-02			G	The proposal given by the secretary seems reasonable.		Noted.
SE-01				The Swedish NC agrees with the proposal.		Noted.