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The Dutch National Committee proposes the SC6/WG1 Study Group to take the following into consideration regarding the task division on standards for NFC and for identification of persons:

We fully support the advancement of technology for smart cards and NFC devices. The markets for these technologies are rapidly emerging. The development of standards provide a solid platform for further technology development; interoperability is a major concern in this context.

The Dutch NC fully supports the direction taken sofar, with ISO/IEC 14443 for Proximity Contactless Circuit Cards and readers, and ISO/IEC 18092 and ISO/IEC 21481 for NFC devices. This ensures interoperability between the two worlds of contactless cards and NFC devices: 14443-compliant PCDs (already installed in very large numbers), are able to read compliant NFC devices vice versa.

The Dutch NC is of the opinion that this approach to interoperability must be preserved in the further standardization process. SC6 already produced 6 NFC-related standards, and is the logical home to continue doing this, given its scope of Telecommunications and Information Exchange Between Systems, while SC17 works in the narrower area of ID Cards and Identification of Persons.. We recommend SC6 to take account of the SC17 work on application-level interoperability and security whenever possible.

The Dutch National Committee therefore does not support proposals for a transfer of work. This is in order to maintain focus in both SCs at the area of their primary expertise.

The Dutch National Committee also does not support to merge the NFC activities into one (larger) SC as this risks to complicate the work and to lose focus and momentum.

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