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This International Standard recognises that not all questions concerning IT security evaluation will be answered herein and that further interpretations will be needed. Individual schemes will determine how to handle such interpretations, although these may be subject to mutual recognition agreements. A list of methodology-related activities that may be handled by individual schemes can be found in Annex A.