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## Recommendation ITU-T Z.170

### Testing and Test Control Notation version 3: TTCN-3 documentation comment specification

#### Summary

Recommendation ITU-T Z.170 defines a documentation of TTCN-3 source code using special documentation comments. The source code documentation can then be produced automatically from the TTCN-3 core language, e.g., in the form of hypertext web pages.

This revision of the Recommendation contains amendments, clarifications, corrigenda and editorial corrections.

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[ETSI ES 201 873-10 V4.5.1] ETSI ES 201 873-10 V4.5.1 (2013-04), *Methods for Testing and Specification (MTS); The Testing and Test Control Notation version 3: TTCN-3 documentation comment specification.*

### 3 Definitions

#### 3.1 Terms defined elsewhere

This Recommendation uses the following terms defined elsewhere:

None.

#### 3.2 Terms defined in this Recommendation

This Recommendation defines the following terms:

None.

### 4 Abbreviations and acronyms

This Recommendation uses the following abbreviations and acronyms:

CORBA          Common Object Request Broker Architecture  
TTCN            Testing and Test Control Notation

### 5 Conventions

None.

### 6 Endorsement

[ETSI ES 201 873-10 V4.5.1] was approved by ITU-T as the basis for Recommendation ITU-T Z.170.







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