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| ***Title:*** | Nnef\_VFLInference service operation descriptions | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | | 23.288 clause 12.3 defines the Nnef\_VFLInference API, which enables an Untrusted AF acting as a VFL server to request from an NWDAF to act as a VFL client for Inference, as described in detail in 23.288 clause 6.2H. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | | Defined the service operation descriptions for the Nnef\_VFLInference API. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | | Not fulfilled stage 2 requirements and non workable end-to-end VFL procedures. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | | 4.1, 4.4.51 (new, including subclauses) | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Other comments:*** | | This CR does not impact any OpenAPI file. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |

\*\*\* First Change \*\*\*

4.1 Overview

The NEF Northbound interface is between the NEF and the AF. It specifies RESTful/RPC APIs that allow the AF to access the services and capabilities provided by 3GPP network entities and securely exposed by the NEF.

This document also specifies the procedures triggered at the NEF by API requests from the AF and by event notifications received from 3GPP network entities.

The stage 2 level requirements and signalling flows for the NEF Northbound interface are defined in 3GPP TS 23.502 [2], 3GPP TS 23.247 [53] for MBS specific aspects, 3GPP TS 26.531 [59] for data reporting provisioning and Media Streaming Event Exposure specific aspects, 3GPP TS 23.256 [77] for UAS aspects, 3GPP TS 23.228 [79] for IMS aspects and 3GPP TS 23.369 [81] for AIoT aspects.

The NEF Northbound interface supports the following procedures:

1) Procedures for Monitoring.

2) Procedures for Device Triggering.

3) Procedures for resource management of Background Data Transfer.

4) Procedures for CP Parameters, Network Configuration Parameters Provisioning, 5G LAN Parameters Provisioning, ACS Configuration Parameter Provisioning, Location Privacy Indication Parameters Provisioning, ECS address provisioning, Slice Parameters Provisioning, DNN and S-NSSAI specific Group Parameters Provisioning, Ranging and SideLink Positioning Privacy Indication (RSLPPI) Parameters Provisioning, Addressing Parameters Provisioning and CAG Information Parameters Provisioning.

5) Procedures for PFD Management.

6) Procedures for Traffic Influence.

7) Procedures for changing the chargeable party at session set up or during the session.

8) Procedures for AF required QoS.

9) Procedures for MSISDN-less Mobile Originated SMS.

10) Procedures for non-IP data delivery.

11) Procedures for analytics information exposure.

12) Procedure for applying BDT policy.

13) Procedures for Enhanced Coverage Restriction Control.

14) Procedures for IPTV Configuration.

15) Procedures for Service Parameter Provisioning.

16) Procedures for RACS Parameter Provisioning.

17) Procedures for Mobile Originated Location Request.

18) Procedures for AKMA.

19) Procedures for AF triggered Access and Mobility Influence.

20) Procedures for AF triggered Access and Mobility Policy Authorization.

21) Procedures for Time Synchronization Exposure.

22) Procedures for EAS Deployment information provisioning.

23) Procedures for TMGI allocation, deallocation, expiry timer refresh and timer expiry notification.

24) Procedures for MBS session management and MBS parameters provisioning.

25) Procedures for Data Reporting.

26) Procedures for Data Reporting Provisioning.

27) Procedures for AF specific UE ID retrieval.

28) Procedures for Media Streaming Event Exposure.

29) Procedures for MBS User Service management.

30) Procedures for MBS User Data Ingest Session management.

31) Procedures for MBS Group Message Delivery management.

32) Procedures for DNAI mapping.

33) Procedures for negotiation of Planned Data Transfer with QoS requirements.

34) Procedures for Member UE Slection Assistance.

37) Procedures for UE Address retrieval.

38) Procedures for ECS Address configuration in roaming.

39) Procedures for UAV Flight Assistance.

40) Procedures for UAV Flight information retrieval.

41) Procedures for IMS session management with data channel.

42) Procedures for IMS Event Exposure (EE) Services.

43) Procedures for IMS Parameters Provisioning.

44) Procedures for AIoT Management.

46) Procedures for VFL Inference.

Which correspond to the following services respectively, supported by the NEF as defined in 3GPP TS 23.502 [2], 3GPP TS 23.247 [53], 3GPP TS 26.531 [59], 3GPP TS 23.256 [77], 3GPP TS 23.228 [79] or 3GPP TS 23.369 [81]:

1) Nnef\_EventExposure service and Nnef\_APISupportCapability service.

2) Nnef\_Trigger service.

3) Nnef\_BDTPNegotiation service.

4) Nnef\_ParameterProvision service.

5) Nnef\_PFDManagement service.

6) Nnef\_TrafficInfluence service.

7) Nnef\_ChargeableParty service.

8) Nnef\_AFsessionWithQoS service and Nnef\_AF\_Request\_for\_QoS service.

9) Nnef\_MSISDN-less\_MO\_SMS service.

10) Nnef\_NIDDConfiguration and Nnef\_NIDD services.

11) Nnef\_AnalyticsExposure service.

12) Nnef\_ApplyPolicy service.

13) Nnef\_ECRestriction service.

14) Nnef\_IPTVConfiguration service.

15) Nnef\_ServiceParameter service.

16) Nnef\_UCMFProvisioning service.

17) Nnef\_Location service.

18) Nnef\_AKMA service.

19) Nnef\_AMInfluence service.

20) Nnef\_AMPolicyAuthorization service.

21) Nnef\_TimeSynchronization and Nnef\_ASTI services.

22) Nnef\_EASDeployment service.

23) Nnef\_MBSTMGI service.

24) Nnef\_MBSSession service.

25) Nnef\_DataReporting service.

26) Nnef\_DataReportingProvisioning service.

27) Nnef\_UEId service.

28) Nnef\_MSEventExposure service.

29) Nnef\_MBSUserService service.

30) Nnef\_MBSUserDataIngestSession service.

31) Nnef\_MBSGroupMsgDelivery service.

32) Nnef\_DNAIMapping service.

33) Nnef\_PDTQPolicyNegotiation service.

34) Nnef\_MemberUESelectionAssistance service.

37) Nnef\_UEAddress service.

38) Nnef\_ECSAddress service.

39) Nnef\_UAVFlightAssistance service.

40) Nnef\_RetrieveInfoUAVFlight service.

41) Nnef\_ImsSessionManagement service.

42) Nnef\_ImsEventExposure service.

43) Nnef\_ImsParameterProvision service.

44) Nnef\_AIoT service.

46) Nnef\_VFLInference.

NOTE 1: For the Nnef\_PFDManagement service, only the Nnef\_PFDManagement\_Create/Update/Delete service operations are applicable for the NEF Northbound interface.

NOTE 2: For the Nnef\_NIDD service, NF consumer other than the AF does not use the NEF Northbound interface.

NOTE 3: For the Nnef\_NIDDConfiguration service, the Nnef\_NIDDConfiguration\_Trigger service operation is only applicable for the NEF Northbound interface.

NOTE 4: The Nnef\_APISupportCapability service is only applicable in the MonitoringEvent API when the monitoring type is set to "API\_SUPPORT\_CAPABILITY".

NOTE 5: The Nnef\_MSEventExposure service maps to the Nnef\_EventExposure service and is applicable for the case where the event consumer AF in the Application Service Provider is deployed outside the trusted domain, as described in 3GPP TS 26.531 [59], and the subscribed event is set to "MS\_QOE\_METRICS", "MS\_CONSUMPTION", "MS\_NET\_ASSIST\_INVOCATION", "MS\_DYN\_POLICY\_INVOCATION", or "MS\_ACCESS\_ACTIVITY".

NOTE 6: The stage 2 Nnef\_AF\_Request\_for\_QoS API is defined by reusing the Nnef\_AFsessionWithQoS API together with the support of the "GMEC" feature.

\*\*\* Next Change \*\*\*

4.4.51 Procedures for VFL Inference

4.4.51.1 General

These procedures are used by the AF to provide, create, update, or delete VFL Inference subscriptions to the NEF, which authorizes them and subscribes accordingly to an NWDAF. They are also used to provide received notifications to the AF.

4.4.51.2 Creation of new VFL Inference subscription

In order to create a new "Individual VFL Inference Subscription" resource, the AF shall initiate an HTTP POST request to the NEF for the "VFL Inference subscriptions" resource. The HTTP POST request message body shall include the VflInferSub data structure with contents as described in clause 5.47.5.3.2.

Upon receipt of the corresponding HTTP POST message, the NEF authorizes the request and upon successful authorization, the NEF shall determine the internal identifier of the targetted NWDAF based on the provided external NWDAF identifier and interact with the NWDAF by using the Nnwdaf\_VFLInference\_Subscribe service operation as defined in 3GPP TS 29.520 [27]. If the request is accepted by the NWDAF, the NEF shall create a new "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource and send an HTTP "201 Created" response with the VflInferSub data structure including the contents of the created "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource in the response body and a Location header field containing the URI of the created "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource. If the NEF receives an error response from the NWDAF, the NEF shall not create the resource and shall respond to the AF with a proper error status code. If the NEF received within an error response a "ProblemDetails" data structure with a "cause" attribute indicating an application error, the NEF shall relay this error response to the AF with a corresponding application error, if applicable.

4.4.51.3 Modification of existing Individual VFL Inference Subscription

In order to modify an existing "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource, the AF shall initiate an HTTP PUT or PATCH request to the "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource. In the case of HTTP PUT, the request body shall include the VflInferSub data structure, which shall include the same contents as described in clause 5.47.5.3.2. In the case of HTTP PATCH, the request body shall include the VflInferSubPatch data structure with the contents as defined in clause 5.47.5.3.3.

Upon receipt of the corresponding HTTP PUT (or PATCH) request message, the NEF authorizes the request and upon successful authorization, the NEF shall interact with the NWDAF by using the Nnwdaf\_VFLInference\_Subscribe service operation as defined in 3GPP TS 29.520 [27]. If the request is accepted by the NWDAF, the NEF shall update the "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource and send an HTTP "200 OK" response with the VflInferSub data structure including the contents of the updated "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource in the response body or an HTTP "204 No Content" response. If the NEF receives an error response from the NWDAF, the NEF shall not update the resource and shall respond to the AF with a proper error status code. If the NEF received within an error response a "ProblemDetails" data structure with a "cause" attribute indicating an application error, the NEF shall relay this error response to the AF with a corresponding application error, if applicable.

4.4.51.4 Deletion of existing Individual VFL Inference Subscription

In order to delete an existing "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource, the AF shall send an HTTP DELETE request message to the NEF targetting the URI of this "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource. If the request is authorized, the NEF shall interact with the NWDAF using Nnwdaf\_VFLInference\_Unsubscribe service operation as defined in 3GPP TS 29.520 [27].

After receiving a successful response from the NWDAF, the NEF shall delete the "Individual VFL Inference subscription" resource and shall respond to the AF with an HTTP "204 No Content" response message.

If the NEF receives an error response from the NWDAF, the NEF shall take proper error handling actions and shall respond to the AF with a proper error status code. If the NEF received within an error response a "ProblemDetails" data structure with a "cause" attribute indicating an application error, the NEF shall relay this error response to the AF with a corresponding application error, when applicable.

4.4.51.5 Handling of VFL Inference Notifications

Upon receiving a VFL Inference notification from the NWDAF as defined in 3GPP TS 29.520 [27], the NEF shall notify the AF accordingly be performing an HTTP POST request towards the notification URI that was provided by the AF during the creation or modification of the subscription, including the VflInferNotif data structure in the message body.

Upon reception of this notification request, the AF shall acknowledge its successful reception by returning an HTTP "204 No Content" status code. On failure, the AF shall take proper error handling actions, as specified in clause 5.47.7, and respond to the NEF with an appropriate error status code.

\*\*\* End of Changes \*\*\*