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1 Explanation of proposed support budget for 2006

The 3GPP Support budget has shown a decreasing trend over recent years and that trend is to be continued in 2006.

Further savings have been made during 2005 (mainly in the area of staff costs) which should result in 3GPP closing the year well within the prescribed budget.

It is too early to see whether the restructuring of 3GPP will result in any cost differences, but this budget has been prepared on the assumption that there will be no cost impact on the support budget.

1.1 MCC Staff

MCC currently has 4,5 Officers in direct employment and 4 Assistants. ETSI had instigated pay freezes in 2002, 2003 and 2004 but this has been corrected in 2005. There has been some movement in staff which has resulted in net savings.

A testing expert employed as an Officer within another ETSI Team spends 100% of his time on 3GPP business (Mr Shicheng Hu). He is a TTCN expert and is largely engaged in the testing work of TSG CT. He also serves as the co-ordinator for the ongoing 3GPP testing activities and leads both the prose description and test suite development activities.

1.2 Contracted experts

MCC was running with 12 contracted experts at the beginning of 2005 but it has been possible to reduce to 11,5 experts during Q1 without any impact on the support provided to the TSGs. It is proposed to retain 11,5 contracted experts for 2006. (It should be noted that 2 of those experts are non-remunerated). The annual rate for each contracted expert is 136,2 kEUR and this will not change during 2006.

1.3 Travel and subsistence

MCC has survived 2005 with a reduced travel and subsistence budget. On the assumption that a similar proportion of meetings will be held in Europe during 2006 it is proposed that the travel and subsistence budget maintained at the same level.

1.4 Overheads

The ETSI GA has not yet concluded the ETSI 2006 budget so it is not possible to provide a definitive prediction for overhead costs for 2006. However, the ETSI accountant has predicted that the 3GPP part will be 1550 kEUR in 2006. This assumption will be verified during the ETSI GA which will take

place in November 2005.

1.5 Contingency

The contingency for 2005 had been set at a level of 200 kEUR. It is proposed that the same amount be used for 2006.

2 Annotated support budget table

The following table shows the implementation of the above paragraphs and how they have been derived.

Proposed 2006 Support Budget	Proposed allocation (kEUR)
MCC Staff	885
4 MCC Assistants.	
4,5 MCC Officers Total = 965 k€	
(Subtract 50 k€ for non-3GPP activities (officers) and 30 k€ (assistant EF3) = $965 - 80 = 885$	
MCC Staff	150
1 additional officer (Shicheng Hu)	
MCC Contractors	1 491
11,5 Contractors @ 136,2 k€	
Subtotal = 1566 k€	
Subtract cost of non-3GPP Groups (TC MSG (15k) EP RT (10k) and EP SCP (50k)) = 75 k€	
3GPP costs = 1566 – 75 = 1491 k€	
Travel and subsistence	600
Travel budget for MCC set at 620 k€	
Subtract travel for non-3GPP Groups (TC MSG and EP SCP) = 20 k€	
Resulting budget is 620-20 = 600 k€	1 550
Overheads	1 550
Working Assumption to be confirmed by ETSI GA	
Contingency	200
Total	4 876

3 Explanation of proposed special tasks budget for 2006

TSG RAN has confirmed that they wish to continue the TTCN development Task in 2006 at the same level as in 2005. They have requested 754 kEUR (58 man months) of funded resource for that purpose. In addition, they will be seeking 17,5 man months of voluntary effort.

A demand has also been received from TSG GERAN in respect of TTCN for GERAN to UTRAN handover. That demand is at a level as in 2005 (39kEUR).

4 Annotated specific task budget table

Task description	Budget Allocation (kEUR)
TTCN for MS interoperability (UTRAN FDD and TDD) 58 man months @ 13 k€ = 754 k€	754
TTCN for MS interoperability (GERAN to UTRAN handover) 3 man months @ 13 k€ = 39 k€	39
Total	793

5 Budget trends

The Partners may be interested in seeing the support budget trend since 2001, which is shown in the table below.

Budget Line	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
MCC Staff	918	955	970	970	895	885
Additional support staff		144	150	150	150	150
MCC Contractors	1944	1963	1832	1695	1559	1491
Travel and subsistence	781	781	680	600	600	600
Overheads	1884	1784	1706	1660	1585	1550
Contingency	552	563	200	200	200	200
Sub Total	6079	6190	5 538	5275	4989	4876
		(+2%)	(-11%)	(-5%)	(-5%)	(-2.2%)

All figures in KEUR

6 Impact on Partner Payments

If this proposed budget is approved, the table below shows the impact on Partner payments for 2006. The tables have been derived using the current number of Individual Members registered on the 3GPP Web site. These numbers are of course subject to change.

Support Budget	4876			
Specific Tasks	793			
Total Budget	5669			
80 per cent	4535,2			
20 per cent	1133,8			
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	Individual	Partner Payments	Partner	Variation
	Members	2006	Payments 2005	
ARIB	23	571	606	-5,8%
CCSA	9	338	306	+10,5%
ETSI	210	3678	3765	-2,3%
ATIS	16	455	475	-4,2%
TTA	7	305	306	-0,3%
ттс	8	322	324	-0,6%
	273	5669	5782	-2%

All figures in kEUR