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Title: Draft Guidance for Release'99 CRs for TSG RAN WGs

Following discussion held at TSG RAN#16 plenary the number of CRs for Release'99 was felt not corresponding to what shall be considered as essential at this point of time.

It was agreed that a set of rules hall be provided to Working groups within 3GPP TSG RAN Working Groups in order to ensure a consistent approach between the different working groups.

Essential correction cannot anymore consist of clarification of text

Before a CR can be considered as essential for Release'99 the following questions shall be considered:

- Is the correction needed because the system cannot function correctly without this correction? If the answer is no then the CR is not essential for Release'99.
- If the answer to the previous question is yes then how often this will happen? If the answer to the previous question is rarely then the CR is not essential for Release'99 and then Improvement can be proposed but for Release 5. Otherwise the CR can be considered as essential and brought to the plenary of 3GPP TSG RAN as essential for approval.

Furthermore, linked CRs shall be presented all together in a separate document for approval at RAN with an indication of the leading CR so that they can be approved or rejected at the same time. Please remember that all CRs shall be of the same category and that reference to the CR shall be indicated in the 'other specs impacted' element.