3GPP TSG-RAN WG3 Meeting #114-e R3-216025

E-meeting, 1-11 Nov 2021

**Title:** LS on inter-MN handover without SN change

**Response to:** LS R-2106682 on inter-MN handover without SN change from RAN2

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**Work Item:** NR\_newRAT-Core

Source: TSG RAN WG3

**To:** TSG RAN WG2

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**Attachments:** None

# 1 Overall description

RAN3 thanks RAN2 for the LS on inter-MN handover without SN change, RAN3 discussed the questions and would like to provide the answers as follows:

**Question 1:**In the inter-MN handover without SN change scenario, is the SN UE X2/XnAP ID always required to be present when target MN sends SN Addition Request to SN?

RAN3 answer:

* Yes, In the inter-MN handover without SN change scenario, the SN UE X2/XnAP ID is always required to be present when target MN sends SN Addition Request to SN as specified in TS37.340.

**Question 2:**For the same scenario, RAN2 would like to confirm with RAN3 if the receipt of SN UE X2/XnAP ID alone may be interpreted by SN to retrieve the SCG configuration to provide delta configuration?

RAN3 answer:

* In case the SN UE X2/XnAP ID is provided alone, the SN is able to retrieve the stored UE context, there is no description in RAN3 specifications on whether the SN may perform delta configuration or not based on the interpretation of this IE. RAN3 understands it is RAN2 duty to inform the SN to apply delta configuration.

# 2 Actions

**To RAN2 group**

**ACTION:** RAN3 kindly ask RAN2 to take the answers above into account.

# 3 Dates of next RAN3 meetings

Updated meeting schedule can be found at: <https://portal.3gpp.org/?tbid=373&SubTB=381#/>

RAN3#114bis-e 2022-01-17 – 2022-01-26

RAN3#115-e 2022-02-21 - 2022-03-03

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