**3GPP TSG-SA WG4 Meeting #131S4-250310**

**Switzerland, Geneva, 17 – 21 February 2025**

Title: LS on extending ETSI TS 103 224 for testing immersive UEs

Response to: -

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To: ETSI TC STQ

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Attachments: None

**1. Overall Description:**

3GPP SA4 is currently working on updating the test and requirement specifications for immersive audio services under the work item "ATIAS\_Ph2" (TS 26.260/TS 26.261). This work focuses on evaluating the acoustic capture capabilities of immersive speech communication terminals and ensuring high-quality immersive audio experiences.

In previous work on mobile/mono telephony (TS 26.131/132), the noise field simulation system described in ETSI TS 103 224 has been widely used for testing noise suppression in terminals. This noise field simulation system has proven itself for the reproduction of (mostly diffuse) noise types in such specifications, as it ensures consistent test conditions in different laboratories.

Given the shift in focus towards immersive audio services, it was discussed whether the ETSI TS 103 224 system could be extended or adapted for the reproduction of immersive audio scenes. 3GPP SA4 believes that such an extension could provide a valuable foundation for testing immersive audio capture capabilities, ensuring consistency and reliability across various labs and test rooms.

**2. Actions:**

**To ETSI TC STQ:**

**ACTION:** 3GPP SA4 kindly requests ETSI TC STQ to consider:

1. Whether the noise field simulation system described in ETSI TS 103 224 could be extended or adapted for the reproduction of immersive audio scenes (based on e.g., scene-based audio recordings).
2. Whether normative work could be initiated to define such an extension, ensuring compatibility with immersive audio formats and maintaining the system's high reproducibility across test environments.

**3. Date of Next CT1 Meetings:**

SA4#131-bis-e 11 – 17 April 2025 E-Meeting

SA4#132 19 – 23 May 2025 Fukuoka

SA4#133-e 21 – 25 July 2025 E-Meeting