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1 Introduction

The ITU-T SSG has enjoyed a very positive relationship with 3GPP and its Organizational Partners. There is, however, one administrative aspect of this relationship that has proved to be somewhat burdensome to all parties concerned. This contribution proposes an approach to minimize this.

2 Discussion

The collaboration between the ITU-T SSG and the Organizational Partners of 3GPP has led to the development of two Recommendations:

- Q.1741.1 IMT-2000 references to release 1999 of GSM evolved UMTS core network with UTRAN access network
- Q.1741.2 IMT 2000 References to Release 4 of GSM evolved UMTS Core Network with UTRAN Access Network

The collaboration is currently developing a third Recommendation:

 Q.1741.3 IMT 2000 References to Release 5 of GSM evolved UMTS Core Network with UTRAN Access Network

The collaboration is anticipated to lead, in due course, to the development of:

 Q.1741.4 IMT 2000 References to Release 6 of GSM evolved UMTS Core Network with UTRAN Access Network

The collaboration is anticipated to lead to further Recommendations as the work of 3GPP continues beyond Release 6.

Each of these Recommendations makes reference to and reproduces brief portions of the text of the SDO-transposed specifications that make up a 3GPP Release. The inclusion of these extracts is necessary to make the Recommendations meaningful to their target audience. Therefore, the copying of such extracts is expected to continue as part of the normal development of this series of ITU-T Recommendations.

Participants in the development of these Recommendations within the SSG are also participants in 3GPP. This contributes towards the specifications being referenced and quoted appropriately

There is one negative aspect to this work, and that is the administrative overhead associated with obtaining explicit permission to make use of each of these extracts of the individual Organizational Partner specifications for each of these Recommendations. recently, this administrative overhead caused a delay in the ITU-T approval process, as it was not considered appropriate to proceed with the approval process until permission to make use of the extracts had been established. The cause of the delay was purely administrative.

3 A simplified approach

In order to minimize the potential for such difficulties in future, as well as to minimize the administrative overhead, the ITU-T would like to suggest an alternate approach to the current practice. This approach is to establish "blanket" pre-authorization to make use of such extracts in the development of the Q.1741-series of Recommendations.

Specifically, the OPs are requested to pre-authorize the ITU-T to copy extracts from their transpositions of the 3GPP specifications in the same manner as has been done for Recommendations Q.1741.1 and Q.1741.2 to date. This will allow the ITU-T SSG to rapidly progress new Recommendations for new 3GPP Releases as they occur while minimizing administrative overhead for all concerned.

4 Proposal

It is proposed that the 3GPP PCG review this proposal to provide ITU-T "blanket" permission to make use of 3GPP OP-transposed specifications in the development of ITU-T Recommendations in the Q.1741 series.

Given agreement, the PCG is requested to pass the proposal, along with a positive recommendation, to the 3GPP OPs for their consideration.