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14th - 16th March 2001**

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Title: CRs to R97 on Work Item GTP Enhancement
Agenda item: 7.14
Document for: APPROVAL

Introduction:

This document contains 3 CRs on R97 Work Item "GTP Enhancement", that have been agreed by TSG CN WG4, and are forwarded to TSG CN Plenary meeting #11 for approval.

Spec	CR	Rev	Doc-2nd-Level	Phase	Subject	Cat	Ver_C
09.60	A101	1	N4-010447	R97	IMSI Encoding Clarification	F	6.9.0
09.60	A100	1	N4-010448	R98	IMSI Encoding Clarification	A	7.6.0
29.060	A180	1	N4-010449	R99	IMSI Encoding Clarification	A	3.7.0

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CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **09.60 CR A100** ⌘ rev **1** ⌘ Current version: **7.6.0** ⌘

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ IMSI Encoding Clarification.		
Source:	⌘ CN4		
Work item code:	⌘ GTP enhancements	Date:	⌘ 27 February 2001
Category:	⌘ A	Release:	⌘ R98
	<p>Use <u>one</u> of the following categories:</p> <p>F (essential correction)</p> <p>A (corresponds to a correction in an earlier release)</p> <p>B (Addition of feature),</p> <p>C (Functional modification of feature)</p> <p>D (Editorial modification)</p> <p>Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP TR 21.900.</p>		<p>Use <u>one</u> of the following releases:</p> <p>2 (GSM Phase 2)</p> <p>R96 (Release 1996)</p> <p>R97 (Release 1997)</p> <p>R98 (Release 1998)</p> <p>R99 (Release 1999)</p> <p>REL-4 (Release 4)</p> <p>REL-5 (Release 5)</p>

Reason for change:	⌘ The IMSI encoding definition in GTP spec. 09.60 is ambiguous whether to pad the 3 rd MNC digits with Hex F or just discard the 3 rd MNC digits with shifting the remaining IMSI digits leftward, in case of 2 digit MNC, especially when comparing the encoding format of RAI IE which shares the common source of MCC and MNC digits. It is also very confusing how to counter the order and number of the IMSI digits in various situations: 2 digits MNC and 3 digits MNC. Hence, there is a strong requirement to clearly specify the encoding format of IMSI IE in GTP spec.
Summary of change:	⌘ Explicitly specify that no padding nibble would be used between MCC and MNC if MNC is 2 digits long.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ GTP won't work correctly.

Clauses affected:	⌘ 7.9.2		
Other specs affected:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
Other comments:	⌘		

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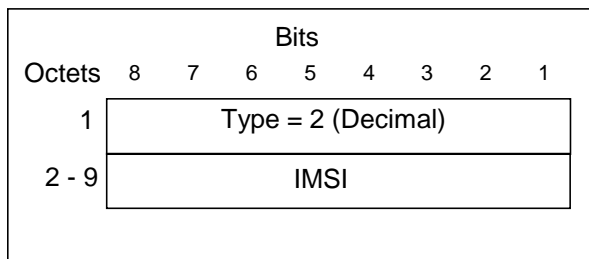


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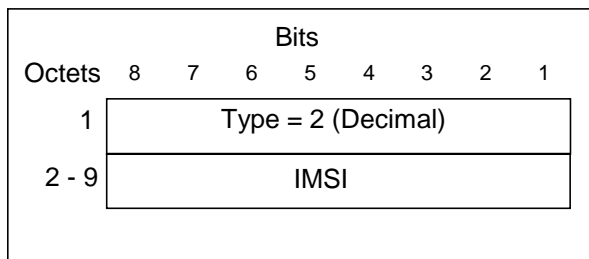


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Source:	⌘ CN4 ⌘		
Work item code:	⌘ GTP enhancements ⌘	Date:	⌘ 27 February 2001 ⌘
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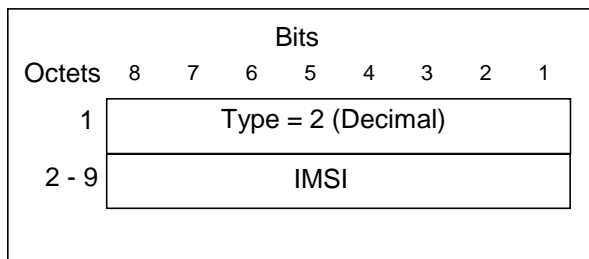


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