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Title: CR to R99 (with mirror CRs) on Work Item GSM/UMTS interworking towards

09.08 and 49.008

Agenda item: 7.6

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#### **Introduction:**

This document contains 3 CRs, R99 with mirror CRs to Work Item "GSM/UMTS interworking", that have been agreed by TSG CN WG1, and are forwarded to TSG CN Plenary meeting #19 for approval.

Spec	CR	Rev	Cat	Phase	Subject	Version- Current	Version -New	Meeting -2nd- Level	Doc-2nd- Level
09.08	A141		F	R99	Corrections to the list of BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface	8.1.0	8.2.0	N1-28	N1-030084
49.008	001		A	Rel-4	Corrections to the list of BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface	4.0.1	4.1.0	N1-28	N1-030085
49.008	002		A	Rel-5	Corrections to the list of BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface	5.0.0	5.1.0	N1-28	N1-030086

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The dedicated BSSMAP procedures (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1) used on the E-interface to some extent are:

- assignment;
- handover resource allocation;
- handover execution;
- internal handover indication;
- release due to BSS generated reasons;
- classmark handling;
- cipher mode control;
- trace invocation;
- queuing indication;
- data link control SAPI not equal to "0";
- Location Acquisition.
- LSA handling.
- Common ID.

#### 5.1 DTAP

For the exchange of the DTAP messages (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 2.2), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.2 Assignment

The Assignment procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.1) is applied on the E-interface with following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

The handling of terrestrial resources is not applicable.

#### 5.3 Handover resource allocation

At Basic Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 23.009) the Handover resource allocation procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.5.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS.

At Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 23.009) the Handover resource allocation procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.5.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

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- the MSC-I acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS;
- if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, then this MSC shall act as the target BSS towards the MSC-I and as the MSC towards the MSC-T.

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#### 5.4 Handover execution

For the Handover execution procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.5.3) the applicable parts on the E-interface are the transfer of HANDOVER DETECT, HANDOVER COMPLETE and HANDOVER FAILURE messages at inter MSC handover. For those parts, the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC that is the MSC-A, acts as the MSC;
- the MSC that is the MSC-I, if it is not also the MSC-A, acts as the serving BSS;
- the MSC that is the MSC-T, if it is not also the MSC-A, acts as the target BSS.

#### 5.5 Internal handover indication

For the Internal handover indication (3GPP TS 48.008 subclauses 3.1.6 and 3.1.7), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

MSC internal handovers (inter-BSS and intra-BSS handover) at the MSC-I are decided and executed autonomously by that MSC together with the connected BSSs. At completion of the handover execution the MSC-I initiates the internal handover indication procedure.

### 5.6 Release due to BSS generated reasons

For the Release due to BSS generated reasons procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.9.2) the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-I acts as the BSS;
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Additionally, at Basic Inter-MSC Handover and at Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 23.009), if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, the Release due to BSS generated reasons procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.9.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-T acts as the BSS;
- no further action is taken by the MSC-A.

### 5.7 Classmark handling

For the Classmark handling (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.13), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.8 Cipher mode control

For the Cipher mode control (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.14), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

#### 5.9 Trace invocation

For the Trace invocation (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.11), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

Additionally, at Basic Inter-MSC Handover and at Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 23.009), if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, the Trace invocation (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.11) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS.

### 5.10 Queuing indication

For the Queuing Indication (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.17), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- at Assignment and at Basic Inter-MSC handover:
  - the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
  - the MSC-I acts as the BSS.
- at Subsequent Inter-MSC handover:
  - the MSC-I acts as the MSC;
  - the MSC-T acts as the BSS;
  - if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, then this MSC acts as the target BSS towards the MSC-I and as the MSC towards the MSC-T.

### 5.11 Data link control SAPI not equal to "0"

For the Data Link Control SAPI not Equal to "0" (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.18), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.12 Location Acquisition

For the Location Acquisition procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.28), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;

- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.13 LSA handling

For the LSA handling (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.27), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

#### 5.14 Common ID

For the Common Id (3GPP TS 48.008), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

## 6 BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface

The following BSSMAP messages, defined in 3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.2.1, are transferred on the E-interface:

ASSIGNMENT REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT COMPLETE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT FAILURE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

\* HANDOVER REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-T and MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGE (MSC-T -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER COMPLETE (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER FAILURE ——(MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-I ->

MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

HANDOVER PERFORMED (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER DETECT (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

CLEAR REQUEST (MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-T -> MSC-A)

SAPI "n" REJECT (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

CONFUSION (MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-T,

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

# MSC INVOKE TRACE (MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

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# BSS INVOKE TRACE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CIPHER MODE COMMAND

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

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CIPHER MODE COMPLETE

 $(MSC-I \rightarrow MSC-A)$ 

CIPHER MODE REJECT

 $(MSC-I \rightarrow MSC-A)$ 

\*\* QUEUING INDICATION

(MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-I -> MSC-A, and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

CLASSMARK UPDATE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CLASSMARK REQUEST

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

CONNECTION ORIENTED INFORMATION

(MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

LSA INFORMATION

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

PERFORM LOCATION REQUEST

(MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION ABORT

(MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION RESPONSE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

**COMMON ID** 

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

All other BSSMAP messages shall be considered as non-existent on the E-interface.

NOTE: Segmentation procedures for LCS CONNECTION ORIENTED INFORMATION message in 3GPP TS 48.008 apply to the corresponding message on the E-interface.

Some of the messages above are qualified by \*, \*\* or #. This signifies whether the message, when sent on the E-interface, is considered as:

- handover related message (\*);
- handover related when sent as a response to HANDOVER REQUEST (\*\*); or
- trace related message (#).

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- no further action is taken by the MSC-A.

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- the MSC-T acts as the BSS;
- no further action is taken by the MSC-A.

### 5.7 Classmark handling

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- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.8 Cipher mode control

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#### 5.9 Trace invocation

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### 5.10 Queuing indication

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- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.12 Location Acquisition

For the Location Acquisition procedure (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.28), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;

- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.13 LSA handling

For the LSA handling (3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.1.27), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

#### 5.14 Common ID

For the Common Id (3GPP TS 48.008), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

# 6 BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface

The following BSSMAP messages, defined in 3GPP TS 48.008 subclause 3.2.1, are transferred on the E-interface:

ASSIGNMENT REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT COMPLETE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT FAILURE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

\* HANDOVER REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-T and MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGE (MSC-T -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER COMPLETE (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER FAILURE ——(MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-I ->

MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

HANDOVER PERFORMED (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER DETECT (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

CLEAR REQUEST (MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-T -> MSC-A)

SAPI "n" REJECT (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

CONFUSION (MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-T,

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

# MSC INVOKE TRACE (MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

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# BSS INVOKE TRACE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CIPHER MODE COMMAND

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

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CIPHER MODE COMPLETE

 $(MSC-I \rightarrow MSC-A)$ 

CIPHER MODE REJECT

 $(MSC-I \rightarrow MSC-A)$ 

\*\* QUEUING INDICATION

(MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-I -> MSC-A, and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

CLASSMARK UPDATE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CLASSMARK REQUEST

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

CONNECTION ORIENTED INFORMATION

(MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

LSA INFORMATION

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

PERFORM LOCATION REQUEST

(MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION ABORT

(MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION RESPONSE

(MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

**COMMON ID** 

 $(MSC-A \rightarrow MSC-I)$ 

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- trace related message (#).

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- 3) With "track changes" disabled, paste the entire CR form (use CTRL-A to select it) into the specification just in front of the clause containing the first piece of changed text. Delete those parts of the specification which are not relevant to the change request.

### 5 Use of the BSSAP on the E-interface

DTAP is used on the E-interface for the transfer of messages between the MSC-A and the MS.

The dedicated BSSMAP procedures (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1) used on the E-interface to some extent are:

- assignment;
- handover resource allocation;
- handover execution;
- internal handover indication;
- release due to BSS generated reasons;
- classmark handling;
- cipher mode control;
- trace invocation;
- queuing indication;
- data link control SAPI not equal to "0";
- Location Acquisition.
- LSA handling.
- Common ID.

#### 5.1 DTAP

For the exchange of the DTAP messages (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 2.2), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.2 Assignment

The Assignment procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.1) is applied on the E-interface with following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

The handling of terrestrial resources is not applicable.

#### 5.3 Handover resource allocation

At Basic Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 03.09) the Handover resource allocation procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.5.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS.

At Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 03.09) the Handover resource allocation procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.5.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

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- the MSC-I acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS;
- if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, then this MSC shall act as the target BSS towards the MSC-I and as the MSC towards the MSC-T.

The handling of terrestrial resources is not applicable.

#### 5.4 Handover execution

For the Handover execution procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.5.3) the applicable parts on the E-interface are the transfer of HANDOVER DETECT, HANDOVER COMPLETE and HANDOVER FAILURE messages at inter MSC handover. For those parts, the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC that is the MSC-A, acts as the MSC;
- the MSC that is the MSC-I, if it is not also the MSC-A, acts as the serving BSS;
- the MSC that is the MSC-T, if it is not also the MSC-A, acts as the target BSS.

#### 5.5 Internal handover indication

For the Internal handover indication (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.6 and 3.1.7), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

MSC internal handovers (inter-BSS and intra-BSS handover) at the MSC-I are decided and executed autonomously by that MSC together with the connected BSSs. At completion of the handover execution the MSC-I initiates the internal handover indication procedure.

### 5.6 Release due to BSS generated reasons

For the Release due to BSS generated reasons procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.9.2) the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-I acts as the BSS;
- no further action is taken by the MSC-A.

Additionally, at Basic Inter-MSC Handover and at Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 03.09), if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, the Release due to BSS generated reasons procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.9.2) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-T acts as the BSS;
- no further action is taken by the MSC-A.

### 5.7 Classmark handling

For the Classmark handling (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.13), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.8 Cipher mode control

For the Cipher mode control (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.14), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

#### 5.9 Trace invocation

For the Trace invocation (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.11), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC:
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

Additionally, at Basic Inter-MSC Handover and at Subsequent Inter-MSC Handover (3GPP TS 03.09), if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, the Trace invocation (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.11) is applied on the E-interface with the following conditions:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-T acts as the target BSS.

### 5.10 Queuing indication

For the Queuing Indication (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.17), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- at Assignment and at Basic Inter-MSC handover:
  - the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
  - the MSC-I acts as the BSS.
- at Subsequent Inter-MSC handover:
  - the MSC-I acts as the MSC;
  - the MSC-T acts as the BSS;
  - if the MSC that is the MSC-A is not also the MSC-T, then this MSC acts as the target BSS towards the MSC-I and as the MSC towards the MSC-T.

### 5.11 Data link control SAPI not equal to "0"

For the Data Link Control SAPI not Equal to "0" (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.18), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.12 Location Acquisition

For the Location Acquisition procedure (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.28), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

### 5.13 LSA handling

For the LSA handling (3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.1.27), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

#### 5.14 Common ID

For the Common Id (3GPP TS TS 08.08), the involved MSCs shall act according to the following:

- the MSC-A acts as the MSC;
- the MSC-I acts as the BSS.

# 6 BSSMAP messages transferred on the E-interface

The following BSSMAP messages, defined in 3GPP TS 08.08 subclause 3.2.1, are transferred on the E-interface:

ASSIGNMENT REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT COMPLETE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

ASSIGNMENT FAILURE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

\* HANDOVER REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-T and MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGE(MSC-T -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

Excluded information element: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT IDENTITY CODE

\* HANDOVER COMPLETE (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER FAILURE (MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-I -> MSC-A)

Excluded information elements: CIRCUIT POOL, CIRCUIT POOL LIST

HANDOVER PERFORMED (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

\* HANDOVER DETECT (MSC-T -> MSC-A)

CLEAR REQUEST (MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-T -> MSC-A)

SAPI "n" REJECT (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

CONFUSION (MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-T,

MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

# MSC INVOKE TRACE (MSC-A -> MSC-I and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

# BSS INVOKE TRACE (MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CIPHER MODE COMMAND (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

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CIPHER MODE COMPLETE (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

CIPHER MODE REJECT (MSC-I -> MSC-A)

\*\* QUEUING INDICATION (MSC-T -> MSC-A, MSC-I -> MSC-A,

and MSC-A -> MSC-I)

CLASSMARK UPDATE (MSC-I -> MSC-A and MSC-A -> MSC-T)

CLASSMARK REQUEST (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

CONNECTION ORIENTED INFORMATION (MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

LSA INFORMATION (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION REQUEST (MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION ABORT (MSC-I->MSC-A, MSC-A -> MSC-I)

PERFORM LOCATION RESPONSE (MSC-I -> MSC-A, MSC-A->MSC-I)

COMMON ID (MSC-A -> MSC-I)

All other BSSMAP messages shall be considered as non-existent on the E-interface.

NOTE: Segmentation procedures for LCS CONNECTION ORIENTED INFORMATION message in 3GPP TS 08.08 apply to the corresponding message on the E-interface.

Some of the messages above are qualified by \*, \*\* or #. This signifies whether the message, when sent on the E-interface, is considered as:

- handover related message (\*);
- handover related when sent as a response to HANDOVER REQUEST (\*\*); or
- trace related message (#).