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| **CHANGE REQUEST** |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **X** | Radio Access Network |  | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | Removal of S-NSSAI from rejected NSSAI based on PDN connection in S1 mode |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Apple, Samsung |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | C1 |
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| ***Work item code:*** | 5GProtoc17 |  | ***Date:*** | 2021-08-05 |
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| ***Category:*** | **F** |  | ***Release:*** | Rel-17 |
|  | *Use one of the following categories:****F*** *(correction)****A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)****B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)****D*** *(editorial modification)*Detailed explanations of the above categories canbe found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | *Use one of the following releases:Rel-8 (Release 8)Rel-9 (Release 9)Rel-10 (Release 10)Rel-11 (Release 11)...Rel-15 (Release 15)Rel-16 (Release 16)Rel-17 (Release 17)Rel-18 (Release 18)* |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | It is possible that a change in access restriction results in an S-NSSAI which was previously disallowed to be now allowed. Such an update also results in this S-NSSAI being received as one of the interworking parameters when in S1 mode. Below is an example scenario:1. UE attempts registration in 5GS and receives S-NSSAI {A} as rejected NSSAI with cause S-NSSAI not available in current PLMN or SNPN. UE registers in 5GS for other slices.
2. UE later moves to EPS and successfully registers there.
3. Due to various possible triggers (user having paid for specific subscription/removal of restriction etc), S-NSSAI {A} now becomes allowed when in S1 mode.
4. UE later attempts PDN connection (PDN 1) for a specific APN and receives S-NSSAI {A} in the ePCO in S1 mode.
5. This implies that S-NSSAI {A} is now allowed for the UE. But the UE has not yet removed this S-NSSAI from rejected NSSAI.
6. UE deactivates PDN 1 and later moves to 5GS (NR).
7. Here since S-NSSAI {A} is still in rejected NSSAI, UE does not include this in the requested NSSAI.

In spite of the fact that the UE now actually has access to S-NSSAI {A}, UE ends up assuming that it is restricted. This needs to be corrected. |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | If an S-NSSAI is received from the network as part of PCO in S1 mode, UE needs to remove this from rejected NSSAI. |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | UE will not be able to access certain slices in 5GS, incorrectly assuming they are still rejected, even when they are actually allowed to be used, leading to bad user experience. |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 6.5.1.3 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** |  | **X** |  Other core specifications  | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***affected:*** |  | **X** |  Test specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***(show related CRs)*** |  | **X** |  O&M Specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
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| ***Other comments:*** |  |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

\*\*\*\*\* Start of change \*\*\*\*\*

#### 6.5.1.3 UE requested PDN connectivity procedure accepted by the network

Upon receipt of the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message, the MME checks whether the ESM information transfer flag is included. If the flag is included the MME waits for completion of the ESM information request procedure before proceeding with the PDN connectivity procedure. The MME then checks if connectivity with the requested PDN can be established. If no requested APN is included in the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message or the ESM INFORMATION RESPONSE message and the request type is different from "emergency" and from "handover of emergency bearer services" and from "RLOS", the MME shall use the default APN as the requested APN. If the request type is "emergency" or "handover of emergency bearer services", the MME shall use the APN configured for emergency bearer services or select the statically configured PDN GW for unauthenticated UEs, if applicable. If the request type is "RLOS", the MME shall use the APN configured for RLOS.

If the network receives a PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message with the same combination of APN and PDN type as an already existing PDN connection, and multiple PDN connections for a given APN are allowed, the network retains the existing EPS bearer contexts for the PDN connection and proceeds with the requested PDN connectivity procedure.

If the lower layers provide a GW Transport Layer Address value identifying a L-GW together with the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message and a PDN connection is established as a LIPA PDN connection due to the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message, then the MME shall store the GW Transport Layer Address value as the P-GW address in the EPS bearer context of the LIPA PDN connection.

If the lower layers provide a SIPTO L-GW Transport Layer Address value identifying a L-GW together with the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message and a PDN connection is established as a SIPTO at the local network PDN connection due to the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message, then the MME shall store the SIPTO L-GW Transport Layer Address value as the P-GW address in the EPS bearer context of the SIPTO at the local network PDN connection.

If the lower layers provide a LHN-ID value together with the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message and a PDN connection is established as a SIPTO at the local network PDN connection due to the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message, then the MME shall store the LHN-ID value in the EPS bearer context of the SIPTO at the local network PDN connection.

NOTE 1: The receipt of a LHN-ID value during the establishment of the PDN connection, during tracking area updating procedure or during inter-MME handover can be used as an indication by the MME that the SIPTO at the local network PDN connection is established to a stand-alone GW (see 3GPP TS 23.401 [10]).

If connectivity with the requested PDN is accepted by the network, the MME shall initiate the default EPS bearer context activation procedure (see clause 6.4.1).

If connectivity with the requested PDN is accepted and the network considers this PDN connection a LIPA PDN connection, then subject to operator policy the MME shall include in the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message the Connectivity type IE indicating "the PDN connection is considered a LIPA PDN connection".

If connectivity with the requested PDN is accepted, but with a restriction of IP version (i.e. both an IPv4 address and an IPv6 prefix is requested, but only one particular IP version, or only single IP version bearers are supported/allowed by the network), ESM cause #50 "PDN type IPv4 only allowed", #51 "PDN type IPv6 only allowed", or #52 "single address bearers only allowed", respectively, shall be included in the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message.

If connectivity with the requested PDN is accepted and the UE provided the Header compression configuration IE in the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message, the MME may include the Header compression configuration IE in the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message. Furthermore, if the MME decides that the associated PDN connection is only for control plane CIoT EPS optimization (see clause 5.3.15), the MME shall include the Control plane only indication in the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message.

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message, the UE shall stop timer T3482 and enter the state PROCEDURE TRANSACTION INACTIVE. The UE should ensure that the procedure transaction identity (PTI) assigned to this procedure is not released immediately. The way to achieve this is implementation dependent. While the PTI value is not released, the UE regards any received ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message with the same PTI value as a network retransmission (see clause 7.3.1).

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message with the Connectivity type IE indicating "the PDN connection is considered a LIPA PDN connection", the UE provides an indication to the upper layers that the connectivity is provided by a LIPA PDN connection.

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message, if the 3GPP PS data off UE status is "activated", the UE behaves as described in clause 6.3.10.

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message, if the SCEF or P-GW indicates acceptance of use of Reliable Data Service to transfer data for the PDN connection, the UE behaves as described in clause 6.3.11.

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message, if an S-NSSAI and the PLMN ID that this S-NSSAI relates to are provided in the protocol configuration options IE or extended protocol configuration options IE, the UE shall delete the stored S-NSSAI and the PLMN ID that this S-NSSAI relates to, if any, and shall store the S-NSSAI and the PLMN ID this S-NSSAI relates to provided in the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message and the associated PLMN ID along with the corresponding PDU session ID that the UE provided in the PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message. The usage of the PDU session ID and the corresponding S-NSSAI with the associated PLMN ID is specified in 3GPP TS 24.501 [54]. Additionally, the UE shall remove the S-NSSAI, if present, from the rejected NSSAI as specified in 3GPP TS 24.501 [54] clause 4.6.2.2.

Upon receipt of the ACTIVATE DEFAULT EPS BEARER CONTEXT REQUEST message with a session-AMBR and QoS rule(s), which correspond to the default EPS bearer of the PDN connectivity being activated, in the protocol configuration options IE or the extended protocol configuration options IE, the UE stores the session-AMBR and QoS rule(s) for use during inter-system change from S1 mode to N1 mode.

If the UE requests the PDN type "IPv4v6", receives the selected PDN type set to "IPv4" and the ESM cause value #50 "PDN type IPv4 only allowed", the UE shall not automatically send another PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message to the same APN (or no APN, if no APN was indicated by the UE) to obtain a PDN type different from the one allowed by the network until:

- the UE is registered to a new PLMN;

- the UE is switched off; or

- the USIM is removed.

If the UE requests the PDN type "IPv4v6", receives the selected PDN type set to "IPv6" and the ESM cause value #51 "PDN type IPv6 only allowed", the UE shall not automatically send another PDN CONNECTIVITY REQUEST message to the same APN (or no APN, if no APN was indicated by the UE) to obtain a PDN type different from the one allowed by the network until:

- the UE is registered to a new PLMN;

- the UE is switched off; or

- the USIM is removed.

NOTE 2: For the ESM cause values #50 "PDN type IPv4 only allowed" and #51 "PDN type IPv6 only allowed", re-attempt in A/Gb, Iu, or N1 mode for the same APN (or no APN, if no APN was indicated by the UE) is only allowed using the PDN type(s) indicated by the network.

\*\*\*\*\* End of change \*\*\*\*\*