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Subject: Update on the Media Independent Handover Services Project IEEE 802.21

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Dear Mr. Hayes,

In our previous communication IEEE 21-04-0081-00-0000 in June 2004, I had informed of the formation of IEEE 802.21 and the working group's intention to work closely with 3GPP, in mutual cooperation.

Since then, IEEE 802.21 working group has progressed to develop its first draft specifications, which is currently under review by its members and participants. IEEE 802.21 working group has appointed Mr. Ulises Olvera-Hernandez to present an initial overview during the next SA Plenary in Tallinn from September 26-28, 2005, on the services IEEE 802.21 has defined. We believe that current work in IEEE 802.21 Working Group is well suited to the System Architecture Evolution work that is currently underway in SA2.

In order to assist us in establishing a working relationship with 802.21 working group:

- We would request 3GPP to identify a Work Item where Network Selection, Network Detection and Media Independent Handover services defined by 802.21 would be most applicable

The next 802.21 WG Plenary meeting is starting on November 13, 2005. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience and having a close working relationship between IEEE 802.21 and 3GPP. Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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