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TSG CN have considered and discussed the output (including Tdoc AHR00-0031) of the SA Ad-hoc on work planning (22-23 Aug 2000, Helsinki) and would like it made known to TSG SA that TSG CN have adopted the following principles and would like these agreed generally within TSG SA.

TSG CN understand that it was agreed to decouple standards releases (versions of the standards) from the year on year deliverable approach that has been the norm to date. These releases are just used as containers to encapsulate work items that are considered achievable in the chosen time frame for the standards release. TSG CN have endorsed this approach.

In view of this, all the stage 2 and 3s for a feature should be included in one release, to achieve a complete implementable coherent version of the standards. For example, the IP Multimedia Subsystem, the stage 2 and 3 (the high level principles and flows, the more detailed flows and the detailed procedures and message definition) should all appear in one release of the standards.

As these releases of the standards are now just considered containers for work items achievable in the timeframes of the project plan, that no priority and precedence be given to one release over another when working the features in the different working groups. Just because one feature is larger or more complex and takes more time to work is no justification to lower its priority to be completed.

TSG CN Principles

The principles that TSG CN have agreed are:

- the decoupling of standards releases (versions of the standards) from the year on year deliverable approach
- that the stage 2 and 3 of the IP Multimedia Subsystem are included in the same release of the specifications (Currently UE-CSCF SIP stage 3 is scheduled for completion by Dec 01).
- that there is no priority or precedence given to Release 4 over Release 5 when working the feature in the working groups. Generally, for future parallel working releases there should be no priority or precedence given of one release over another.

TSG CN would like TSG SA to endorse these principles.