

Title: Revised WID for the Provision of an Inter-GMLC Interface and other improvements to the LCS Core Network Architecture

Source: SA2

Agenda item: 9.1

For: Approval

Work Item Description

Title

Provision of an Inter-GMLC Interface and other improvements to the LCS Core Network Architecture

1 3GPP Work Area

	Radio Access
X	Core Network
X	Services

2 Linked work items

Stage 3 work is needed within CN4 to enhance MAP. CN4 may also need to develop the GMLC-GMLC interface, or, this GMLC-GMLC interface might be referenced to specifications external to 3GPP (eg LIF).

3 Justification

The currently Location Service architecture does not appear to provide adequate protection against overload in the VPLMN; adequate charging in the VPLMN; and neither does seem to guarantee the correct treatment of privacy within the HPLMN. The specification of dedicated interfaces for inter-GMLC communication is seen as one way to alleviate these problems. For example, a common inter-GMLC interface could route authentication, user privacy, billing and other GMLC to GMLC specific messages directly between these nodes. The provision of a direct interface would also enhance security, enable local regulatory requirements to be applied and improve the "LCS interface" to emergency call handling centres.

The early specification of an inter-GMLC interface is essential to ensure network interoperability and to avoid of non-standard solutions.

4 Objective

To improve the "GMLC architecture" and to complete the standardisation tasks within the affected working groups, in particular the:

- Characterisation of the GMLC to GMLC interface;
- Definition of secure protocols;
- It shall be possible to check the privacy settings in the home PLMN of the target UE subscriberPrivacy;
- Billing;
- Provisioning;
- Roaming;
- Provision of routing information e.g. the modification of MAP messages (S2-020646);
- Backward compatibility with the existing Rel-5⁺ architecture.

Consideration should also be given to increasing commonality between GSM MAP and ANSI-41 MAP communities.

The detailed time plan is documented in the 3GPP Work Plan.

Task	Planned Start	Planned Finish
Work Item Revision	FebApril/2002	FebJune/2002
Revised Work Item Approval		JuneMarch/2002
Drafting and discussion, updates of specifications	April/2002	Oct/2002
Submission to TSG SA (and CN for approval)		Nov/2002
Possible remaining corrections and clarifications		Jan/2003

5 Service Aspects

Study impact of new architecture on existing location service aspects e.g. QoS parameters. Consider the provision of 3rd party services from anywhere to anywhere.

6 MMI-Aspects

Handling of user notifications to permit the UE to accept or reject location requests from authenticated 3rd parties.

7 Charging Aspects

The handling of billing, accounting and call detail record aspects need to be studied.

8 Security Aspects

Interface and protocol security levels commensurate with the data to be carried across the GMLC-GMLC interface. This should be discussed with SA3.

Service denial aspects.

Legal interception requirements / international considerations and roaming LCS regulatory issues.

9 Impacts

Affects:	USIM	ME	AN	CN	Others
Yes				X	
No	X	X	X		
Don't know					X

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Expected Output and Time scale (to be updated at each plenary)

New specifications						
Spec No.	Title	Prime rsp. WG	2ndary rsp. WG(s)	Presented for information at plenary#	Approved at plenary#	Comments
xx.xxx	GMLC to GMLC interface	CN 4		16	17	
Affected existing specifications						
Spec No.	CR	Subject		Approved at plenary#	Comments	
23.271		Architecture and message flows				
29.002		MAP Messages			Enhancements to the MAP SRI for LCS messages etc.	
22.071		General updates				
23.002		General architectural updates				

11 Work item rapporteurs

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12 Work item leadership

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13 Supporting Companies

| Vodafone, mmO2, SignalSoft, Elisa Communications, Ericsson, NTT DoCoMo,
Telecom Italia, Nokia, Siemens, Lucent, NEC, One2One Personal Communications,
TeleCommunication Systems

14 Classification of the WI (if known)

| This Work Item is a Building Block of the LCS enhancements 2 feature.
