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Liaison Statement

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1. INTRODUCTION

The GSM Association Services Group (SerG) investigates and defines requirements for mobile services with emphasis on the need to ensure usability, inter-network operation and roaming. The service requirements are produced and agreed principally by GSMA Full Members (Mobile Network Operators) but there is also valuable input from GSMA Associate Members (e.g. equipment vendors, 3rd party platform providers, content providers).

Where appropriate, specific requirements are fed to key industry standards bodies, principally 3GPP and OMA. The work in these other bodies generally complements the work in SerG. However, SerG needs to ensure that the requirements it identifies are fed to external bodies in good time to influence their work.

2. SUMMARY OF SERG WORK

Recently, SerG has produced requirements for the following:

- Multimedia Messaging (SerG PRD SE.32);
- Location Based Services (SerG PRD SE.23);
- Videotelephony Service (SerG PRD SE.34);
- Charging in an IP Multimedia Environment (SerG PRD SE33).

Please see referenced SerG documents for more details.

Many of the specific requirements from the above work items have been fed to 3GPP and OMA and have been included in their work plans.

SerG has recently refocused its activities and has started working on some new items with emphasis on requirements for future services. In fact, SerG has created 2 new SWGs to focus specifically on Messaging, and Future Services. Some key items under consideration include:

- Requirements for messaging services (beyond basic MMS);
- Requirements for video-based services, multimedia services, entertainment services and telemetric services.

More details of the specific new services we intend to progress will be available in a few weeks.

3. WORKING WITH 3GPP

As work progresses within SerG on the new items described in outline above, SerG will send 3GPP more details of its work programme. Also, appropriate requirements will be fed into 3GPP, particularly SA1.

To ensure that SerG can add value to the work of 3GPP, SerG will also analyse the 3GPP work plan to identify those items for which a useful and timely input can be provided. Similarly, any comments on the work of SerG from a 3GPP perspective would also be useful and welcome.

4. FUTURE MEETINGS

Meeting Number	Start Date	Finish Date	Venue
SerG#51	20 th May 2003	22 nd May 2003	Paris, France
SerG#52	12 th August 2003	14 th August 2003	North America