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Re: LS on Codecs and Common IMS

Dear Stephen:

Thank you for taking the time to present the 3GPP TSG SA liaison addressed to 3GPP2 TSG-X regarding Codecs and Common IMS to 3GPP2 TSG-C WG1 at our October meeting. As you now know, the selection of codecs within 3GPP2 is the responsibility of TSG-C.

TSG-C appreciates the work 3GPP SA has done regarding default codecs for Common IMS. TSG-C supports the spirit of collaboration of your liaison. At this time, however, TSG-C is not aware of the details of this effort. We would like to verify our understanding of the liaison and determine how 3GPP2 TSG-C might interact with 3GPP SA for this work in the future.

It is our understanding that the statement, "Codecs are NOT part of Common IMS," and the subsequent text, as you explained, indicates that no default codecs will be considered for existing applications. Furthermore, 3GPP will not take responsibility for selecting or listing codecs for any of these existing applications. This responsibility will be left to the appropriate SDO.

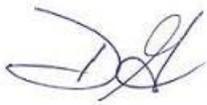
For new Common IMS applications, the liaison states that 3GPP SA1 will determine, taking into account all industry segments, if a default codec should be specified. Within 3GPP2, TSG-S is responsible for determining if a default codec should be considered. Will SA1 request input from the responsible parties in each market segment, including 3GPP2 TSG-S, when determining if a default codec should be specified. If it is determined that a default codec is appropriate for a new Common IMS application, will 3GPP SA request input from entities such as 3GPP2 TSG-S to determine the requirements for the default codec? How will 3GPP SA ensure that all of the stakeholders provide input for this process as stated in the liaison?

1 In those cases where, “SA1 shall ensure that service requirements are in place such that IMS
2 applications can inter-work even when no common end to end codec can be negotiated,” TSG-C
3 welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback and support to achieve this goal.

4 The liaison states 3GPP SA4 will select codecs based upon the SA1 service requirements [based
5 on input of all stakeholders] and more detailed requirements developed in SA4. TSG-C WG1
6 has the responsibility to select codecs within 3GPP2. How will 3GPP2 TSG-C WG1 participate
7 in the activities of SA4?

8 TSG-C looks forward to your response and to supporting the industry’s efforts to develop and
9 evolve a common IMS.

10 Regards,



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