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**LIASON STATEMENT****To:** 3GPP TSG SA WG3**From:** ETSI SAGE 3GPP Task Force**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> October 2000**Topic:** Increasing maximum number of bits to be enciphered with f8

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The ETSI SAGE has received liaison statement S3-000631 and document S3-000587 (a CR for 33.105) which provides information on increasing the maximum number of bits to be enciphered with f8 from 5000 to 20000.

SAGE reviewed this and can confirm that from a cryptographic point of view there is no problem with this change.

However SAGE will not change the f8 specifications nor the test data documents.