

CHANGE REQUEST

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Informative annex for overview of message MAPsec processing		
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Reason for change:	⌘ Add clarification on how a MAP message is processed when applying MAPsec
Summary of change:	⌘ High level description of the processing of MAP messages in MAPsec
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ Implementors may find it more difficult to determine how to process MAP messages in the context of MAPsec

Clauses affected:	⌘ New informative annex B		
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Annex B (informative): Guidelines for MAP message processing

This informative annex gives high-level guidelines on the procedures a MAPsec-enabled NE must follow when processing a MAP message to be sent to or that has been received from a peer NE located in another PLMN. There is no requirement to precisely follow the procedures described below but the external effect should be equivalent.

B.1 Outgoing MAP message

When a MAPsec-enabled NE must send a MAP message to a peer NE in another PLMN, it first retrieves the security policy corresponding to that remote PLMN (ie. Looking for an entry in the SPD that matches the PLMN identifier). If no entry is found for that PLMN, it means that no MAPsec protection is required for that PLMN.

If an entry is found but does not point to any valid MAPsec SA, this is an error condition and appropriate actions must be taken by the NE (such as reporting the error to a management station). The MAP message must consequently not be further processed and should be discarded.

If an entry is found and points to one or more valid MAPsec SAs, the NE chooses the one expiring the sooner and applies this MAPsec SA to the MAP message. Once this is done, the MAP message can be sent.

B.2 Incoming MAP message

When a MAPsec-enabled NE receives a MAPsec message from a peer NE in another PLMN, it uses the fields (PLMN-id, Security Parameter Index) in the MAPsec header to find the appropriate MAPsec SA in the SAD. If none is found, the message should be rejected and the management system should be notified in some way about this event.

If the MAPsec SA is found in the SAD, then the information elements associated to that SA are used to process the MAP message. If this is successful, the message is further normally processed; otherwise, the message should be rejected and the management system should be notified in some way about this event.

The NE must also check in the inbound SDB whether the MAPsec SA used to protect the MAP message is indeed a valid MAPsec SA for the peer PLMN, in terms of policy. If the MAPsec SA is not an SA referred to by the SPD entry for that remote PLMN, then the message should be rejected and the management system should be notified in some way about this event.