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Liaison Statement

To: 3GPP TSG-T WG1

From: 3GPP TSG-GERAN WG4

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Subject: Handling of common Non-Access Stratum Tests for GERAN and UTRAN

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3GPP TSG-GERAN WG4 (GERAN4) realises that there are difficulties with the maintenance of Test Cases which appear in both 3GPP TSG-T WG1 (T1) Test Specifications and GERAN4 Test Specifications. Most of the Non-Access Stratum Test Cases (such as Supplementary Services, SMS) are based on the same Core Specifications.

GERAN4 foresees that changes to these test cases at either meeting may result in different Test Descriptions for the same Conformance Requirement. This will result in problems particularly for Dual Mode Equipment.

Merging of the related UTRAN and GERAN Test Cases is not thought to be practical, since the amount of work required to merge would be unmanageable.

Therefore, GERAN4 proposes the following procedures:

- Part of the CR Approval Process within GERAN4 will be to identify whether a CR will affect T1 Test Specifications.
- The CR Cover Sheet shall indicate under the field "Other Specs affected: Test Specifications" the equivalent Test Case in the T1 Test Specification.
- When GERAN4 approves changes to test cases in its Test Specifications that also exist in T1 Test Specifications, GERAN4 will pass a list to T1 containing these CRs.
- The originator of the CR shall indicate to ETSI MCC that this CR is to be circulated on both the T1 and GERAN4 email reflector lists by ETSI MCC.

GERAN4 requests that T1 follows a similar procedure.

In order to facilitate this process, GERAN4 plans to create a simple Cross-Reference Document outlining the equivalent Test Case Section Numbers in each Test Specification . This document will be the basis for the proposed process . The document will be passed to T1 for information and reference.

GERAN4 realises that this is not a perfect solution but it is thought to be a practical and realisable approach. This would be subject to change if a better solution is offered.

GERAN4 asks T1 to consider this approach to the problem of common test cases.