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### Discussion

Lucent has considered the output (Tdoc AHR00-0031) of the SA Ad-hoc on work planning (22-23 Aug 2000, Helsinki) and would like to bring the following points to the table for the discussion on work planning in TSG CN.

We understand that it was agreed to decouple standards releases (versions of the standards) from the year on year deliverable approach that has been the norm to date. This, we believe, should be endorsed by TSG CN.

If this premise is agreed that we now have a decoupling of Release 4 and 5 of the standards, then CN needs to generate a viewpoint and data on what is considered feasible to put into these releases prior the the SA discussion on this item next week.

The 3GPP work planning for the IM Subsystem (Tdoc AHR00-0031) suggests a two phase approach for the stage 3 of the IP Multimedia Subsystem (Call and Service Control, Charging and Billing). We do not believe this phased approach is feasible for these items for the following reasons:

- The stage 2 for the IP Multimedia Subsystem (23.228) is now unlikely to be complete in December 2000.
- An early stage 3 targetted for Release 4 would run into problems referencing back to the IETF (RFC 2543). Any interim work would have to be thrown away when the complete stage 3 is produced in Release 5 which would need to reference the updated RFC (timescales are not available but we believe it is still a 9-12 months away from RFC status).

### Proposal

- Lucent's proposal is that the stage 2 and 3 of the IP Multimedia Subsystem is included in Release 5 of the specifications.
- That there is no priority or precedence given to Release 4 over Release 5 when working the feature in the working groups.
- That the stage 2 *milestone* for the IMS would be Dec 2000 – March 2001 (and so not put into Release 4).

We hope the TSG CN can endorse these principles, encapsulate them in the meeting report and use them in the discussion in SA next week.