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Introduction:

This document contains 2 CRs on R99 and Rel-4 Work Item "CAMEL3", that have not been agreed by TSG CN WG2, but sent directly to TSG CN Plenary meeting #12 for approval.

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29.078	185			R99	Use of the GPRS Reference in the case of the SCP load sharing	F	3.7.0
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CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **29.078 CR 185** ⌘ rev **-** ⌘ Current version: **3.7.0** ⌘

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

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Work item code:	⌘ CAMEL3	Date:	⌘ 1 June 2001
Category:	⌘ F (Essential correction) Use <u>one</u> of the following categories: F (correction) A (corresponds to a correction in an earlier release) B (addition of feature), C (functional modification of feature) D (editorial modification) Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP TR 21.900 .	Release:	⌘ R99 Use <u>one</u> of the following releases: 2 (GSM Phase 2) R96 (Release 1996) R97 (Release 1997) R98 (Release 1998) R99 (Release 1999) REL-4 (Release 4) REL-5 (Release 5)

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11.31.2 Invoking entity (gprsSSF)

11.31.2.1 Normal procedure

gprsSSF preconditions:

- (1) An event has been met that is armed as TDP.
- (2) There is no GPRS dialogue active for that PDP Context or for the GPRS Session.

gprsSSF postcondition:

- (1) A control relationship has been established and the gprsSSF is in state "waiting for instructions".

The address of the gsmSCF that the InitialDPGPRS operation shall be sent to is fetched from the valid CSI. The gprsSSF provides all available parameters.

A control relationship is established with the gsmSCF. The gprsSSF application timer T_{SSF} is set when the gprsSSF sends InitialDPGPRS for requesting instructions from the gsmSCF. It is used to prevent from excessive GPRS session or PDP context duration or volume usage.

11.31.2.2 Error handling

If the destination gsmSCF is not accessible then the gprsSSF instructs the SGSN to handle the GPRS session or PDP context according to the Default GPRS handling parameter of the valid CSI.

On expiration of T_{SSF} before receiving any operation, the gprsSSF aborts the interaction with the gsmSCF and instructs the SGSN to handle the call according to the Default GPRS handling parameter of the valid CSI.

If the MS abandons the establishment of a GPRS session or PDP context after the sending of InitialGPRSEvent, then the gprsSSF aborts the control relationship after the first response from the gsmSCF has been received.

Generic error handling for the operation related errors is described in clause 10 and the TC services which are used for reporting operation errors are described in clause 12.

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12.1.7 gprsSSF-gsmSCF interface

12.1.7.1 Normal procedures

12.1.7.1.1 TC-dialogues and relationships

The GPRS dialogue can consist of multiple consecutive TC-dialogues. A GPRS dialogue is identified by a GPRS-ReferenceNumber consisting of the originationReference and the destinationReference. One GPRS-Reference is assigned by the SGSN and shall be unique within this SGSN. The other GPRS-Reference is assigned by the gsmSCF and shall be unique within this gsmSCF.

The **TC**-dialogues are closed and (re)opened whenever necessary.

12.1.7.1.2 Use of the GPRS Reference

For the use of CAP defined GPRS-ReferenceNumber, see also the ASN.1 notation in the subclause 8.1.

When the gprsSSF sends the first operation for a new GPRS dialogue (InitialDPGPRS), the gprsSSF shall include a GPRS Reference Number in the TC message. This GPRS Reference Number shall consist of the *SGSN Process Id* as originationReference, which is internally allocated by the gprsSSF. This number is used by the gprsSSF to associate an incoming TC message with an internal GPRS Process.

When the gsmSCF has received the InitialDPGPRS operation, it shall store the SGSN Process ID and allocate an *SCF Process Id* which is used by the gsmSCF to associate an incoming TC message with an internal SCF Process.

The SCP shall include the GPRS Reference Number in the first TC-CONTINUE message, *SGSN Process Id* in destinationReference and *SCF Process Id* in originationReference, returned to the gprsSSF.

When the gprsSSF receives the first TC message from the SCP for this GPRS dialogue, the gprsSSF shall store the SCP Process Id together with the SGSN Process Id.

From here onwards all the TC messages that open a new TC dialogue shall include the GPRS Reference Number consisting of the originationReference and the destinationReference to associate the internal process in the origination entity and the destination entity, respectively, until the end of the relationship between these processes.

For any TC-CONTINUE in the existing TC dialogue, transporting the GPRS Reference Number is not needed except for the first response after the InitialDPGPRS operation.

12.1.7.1.3 gprsSSF-to-gsmSCF messages

This subclause defines the normal procedures for TC messages from the gprsSSF to the gsmSCF.

gprsSSF-FSM related messages

A GPRS dialogue and a TC dialogue shall be established when the gprsSSF moves from the state Idle to the state Waiting for Instructions. The InitialDPGPRS operation shall be transmitted in the same TC message, i.e. TC-BEGIN. It shall contain the GPRS-Reference as assigned by the SGSN in the originationReference. The gprsSSF may initiate the subsequent TC dialogues for this GPRS dialogue with the following operations:

- ApplyChargingReportGPRS
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The gsmSCF shall memorise the gprsSSF address received along with the InitialDPGPRS, and use it in the further TC dialogues for the relationship between these processes.

The gsmSCF may open subsequent TC dialogues with the following CAP operations:

- ActivityTestGPRS;
- ApplyChargingGPRS;
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- ReleaseGPRS;
- RequestReportGPRSEvent;
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The CAP operation that opens a TC dialogue shall be sent with a TC-BEGIN request primitive. This message shall contain the GPRS-ReferenceNumber assigned by the sender of this message in the originationReference. If the operation opens a subsequent TC dialogue this message shall contain also the previously received destinationReference.

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The TC dialogue shall be closed for the idle periods, i.e. when the gprsSSF moves from the Waiting for Instructions state to the Idle state, if the gprsSSF is in the Monitoring state and has received all replies or time-outs for the operations sent, after standalone operations of the SCF in Monitoring state if gprsSSF is not going to the Idle state (ActivityTestGPRS, ApplyChargingGPRS, CancelGPRS, FurnishChargingInformationGPRS, RequestReportGPRSEvent, SendChargingInformationGPRS), or at the end of a GPRS dialogue.

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- ContinueGPRS;
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SSME-FSM related messages

The following procedures shall be followed:

- The dialogue shall be ended with basic end when the ActivityTestGPRS Return Result is sent.

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