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Introduction:

This document contains 4 CRs on R99 WI CSSPLIT including the corresponding mirror CRs (as required).

These CRs have been agreed by TSG CN WG3 and are forwarded to TSG CN Plenary meeting #18 for approval.

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N3-020847	Usage of Iu UP in support mode in core	23.910	042	1	Α	Rel-5	5.1.0
N3-020844	Usage of Iu UP in support mode in core	29.007	057	1	F	Rel-4	4.5.0
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- 1. Transport on the access side of the IWF
- 2. Transport beyond the IWF, i.e., between the IWF and the fixed network

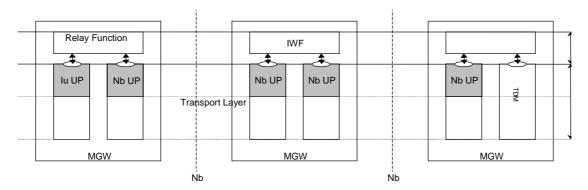


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At the border between the CN and the fixed (ISDN) network, conversion between Nb UP and TDM shall be applied. In case of RDI interworking, the 56 kbit/s RDI bit stream is transmitted within the CN as 64 kbit/s bit stream where the last bit of each octet is ignored. For this reason the octet alignment shall be preserved in the SDUs transported in the CN.

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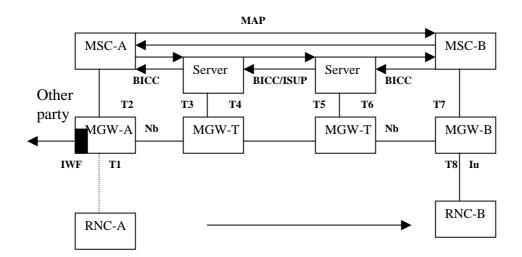


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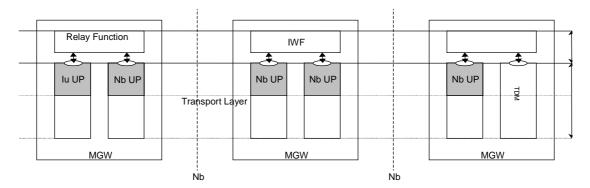


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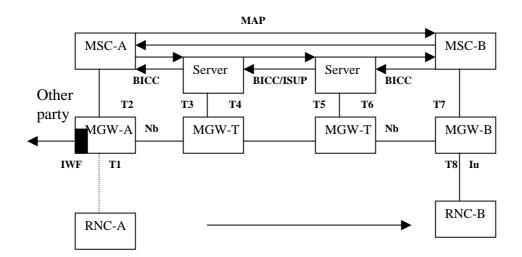


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6 Iu and Nb User Plane

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