Title: Draft Reply LS on guidance and error patterns for MBMS streaming simulations

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TSG RAN has discussed the request from SA4 for guidance and error patterns for MBMS activities within SA4.

TSG RAN understands that SA4 needs this information to plan its activities. However, TSG RAN would like to make the following observations:

- The MBMS performance requirements defined by TSG RAN WG4 will not be completed before September 05, and this work is linked to the request from SA4

- TSG RAN discussed whether the FEC layer discussed in SA4 should not be included in the overall analysis of the system requirements and performance (in particular in relation to the RAN WG4 activities)

- It was also mentioned that ROHC may also be taken into account since it impacts the error patterns seen by the application layer

Another joint subject (not related to MBMS) arose which is the ongoing TSG RAN (WG2) activities on ROHC for VoIP (IMS) for which support from SA4 may be necessary also e.g. utilization of ROHC in SA4 simulation work.

For all these reasons, TSG RAN believes that it would be highly beneficial for SA4 experts to organize discussions with RAN WG experts, and would suggest to SA4 delegates to consider attending the February meeting where all 4 TSG RAN WGs will be co-located.

Actions:

SA4: Consider the suggestion from TSG RAN to progress the work jointly.

Dates of Next TSG-RAN Meetings:

TSG-RAN1-2-3-4	14 - 18 Feb 2005	Scottsdale, US
TSG-RAN#27	9 - 11 March 2005	Tokyo, Japan
TSG-RAN1-2-3-4	9 - 13 May 2005	EU