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Title: Response to the TSG-SA LS on the usage of GSM-only SIM Cards for 3G access

SMG2 has reviewed the Liaison received from TSG-SA on the usage of GSM-only SIM cards for 3G access.

SMG2 believes that in order to implement the proposed compromise, the Core Network must be able to selectively accept or reject to register a Terminal equipped with a GSM-only SIM Card in some part of the network (3G or GSM).

As a result, a dual mode Terminal equipped with a GSM-only SIM Card trying to register on a dual mode 3G/GSM network could either be accepted for both operating modes (3G and/or GSM) or only on the GSM part of the network. In the later case, SMG2 believes that the easiest way to handle this situation is for the Terminal to revert to a single operating mode (equivalent to a GSM only Terminal). Similarly, the network should then consider this Terminal as a single mode GSM Terminal. The Terminal should stay in this pseudo-single operating mode while registered on the GSM part of the network, until a new PLMN selection is required.