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From: 3GPP TSG-S2
To: 3GPP TSG-S1
Cc: TSG-SA, SERG, GSM NA

Subject: Response to LS on IM Emergency Call without USIM

S2 thanks S1 for their LS on IM Emergency Call without USIM (S1-01249). S2 acknowledges the requirement for emergency calls to be made via the IMS for UE with a SIM/USIM. S2 is, however, confused regarding the S1 statements regarding support of emergency calls in the SIM/USIM-less situation which appear to be contradictory.

S1-01249 states that:

- “the IMS is not required to support emergency voice calls from an IM UE without a SIM/USIM within the IMS for R5” and
- “the support of emergency voice calls from IM UE without a SIM/USIM within the IMS is to be considered for a subsequent release”.

However, in response to S2’s specific question on USIM-less emergency calls via the IM subsystem in R5, S1 responds that

- “it shall be possible for Release 5 to enable compliance with regional regulatory requirements for emergency services. This may include the need to support SIM/USIM-less emergency call.”

Additionally, section 10 of TS22.101 v5.1.0 contains a clear requirement for support of SIM/USIM-less emergency calls using the IMS in the PS domain.

S2 will commence work shortly on implementing the support of emergency calls in the IMS. If SIM/USIM-less operation is required, S2 would like this clarified by S1 as soon as possible in order to provide a consistent implementation, rather than having to add this functionality at a later stage.

S2 is aware that there is e-mail discussion ongoing within S1 on this issue and that the subject is likely to be raised at the forthcoming SA plenary.

S2 asks S1 to inform them of the results of the ongoing discussions and to clarify the emergency call requirements, for Release 5, for SIM/USIM-less operation in the IMS that may result from regional regulatory requirements.

Note that the next scheduled meeting of SA2 is 14th to 18th May.