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Title: [DRAFT] LS Response to GSMA on RCS lawful intercept requirements

Response to: LS (25-01-2025) on LS Response to SA3-LI on RCS lawful intercept requirements from GSMA RCSG

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To: GSMA RCSG, GSMA FSAG

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Attachments: -

**1. Overall Description:**

SA3-LI thanks RCSG for their response LS on RCS lawful interception requirements.

SA3-LI likes to express that the work in SA3-LI is based on national legal regulations and application of related laws by judges as last resort.

(recent case in France on the Telegram: <https://www.tribunal-de-paris.justice.fr/sites/default/files/2024-08/2024-08-26%20-%20CP%20TELEGRAM%20.pdf?os=fdf&ref=app> ).

It should be noted that CSPs have a lawful interception requirement for the services they offer to their customers. The RCS service as described in the LS fulfils in jurisdictions to the lawful interception requirement. The CSP offers their service to the customer, there is an active involvement of the CSP on the level of verifying the user’s MSISDN affectation (Portability number) during registration and routing the service.

(check with Pierre (only on MSISDN affectation; I don’t know about routing) and Martin on the details).

The issue of national requirements for privacy with strong confidentiality protection and the requirement for. lawful access to communication of specific users (target) applies in most jurisdictions. The balance between these two important issues is a national matter. It is not up to SA3LI to decide for specific services how to interpret this. SA3LI has responsibility to offer standardized technical solutions that can be chosen by a CSP if lawful interception is required.

SA3-LI therefore needs to work on the possible technical solutions for lawful interception of RCS.

In the SA1 6G meeting in Rotterdam (8th to 10th of May 2024) GMSA presented their requirements for 6G. One of the main requirements was to comply to their legal requirements of lawful interception. GSMA has also published in VoLTE Implementation Guide a recommendation to make lawful interception feasible to fulfil their national legal obligations of their members. This shows that GSMA takes their responsibility on legal lawful interception requirements of their members and made LSs with SA3LI.

SA3-LI would like to make use of your offer to have a conference call to discuss possible solutions that provide lawful interception and privacy for national RCS implementations needed by the CSPs.

There are different aspects to this issue. Beside the national scenarios there are roaming scenarios that need to be covered.

**2. Actions:**

**To GSMA RCSG, GSMA FSAG group.**

**ACTION: SA3-LI kindly requests GSMA RCSG, GSMA FSAG to take the above in account and consider solutions that we can discuss in a conference call.**

**3. Date of Next SA3LI Meetings:**

SA3#97-LI 29 April – 02 May 2025 Washington DC, US

SA3#98-LI 15 July – 18 July 2025 Florence, Italy

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