**3GPP TSG-RAN2 Meeting #117 *R2-220xxxx***

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| *CR-Form-v12.1* |
| **CHANGE REQUEST** |
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|  | **38.331** | **CR** | **2880** | **rev** | **1** | **Current version:** | **16.7.0** |  |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **X** | Radio Access Network | **X** | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | Handling of ServingCellConfigCommon |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Qualcomm Incorporated |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | RAN2 |
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| ***Work item code:*** | TEI16 |  | ***Date:*** | 2022-02-14 |
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| ***Category:*** | **F** |  | ***Release:*** | Rel-16 |
|  | *Use one of the following categories:****F*** *(correction)****A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)****B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)****D*** *(editorial modification)*Detailed explanations of the above categories canbe found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | *Use one of the following releases:Rel-8 (Release 8)Rel-9 (Release 9)Rel-10 (Release 10)Rel-11 (Release 11)…Rel-15 (Release 15)Rel-16 (Release 16)Rel-17 (Release 17)Rel-18 (Release 18)* |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | Field ServingCellConfigCommon contains parameters which a UE would typically acquire from SSB, MIB or SIBs when accessing the cell from IDLE. With this IE, the network provides this information in dedicated signalling when configuring a UE with a SCells or with an additional cell group (SCG). While the original intention was that ServingCellConfigCommon may contain also fields not supported or comprehended by the UE (meaning the network does not need to respect UE capabilities), and UE should act as when this information is received in SIBs (i.e. ignoring not supported fields), this was never captured in the specification.RAN2 made the following agreement in their #116-e meeting.Adopt the following principles for release-16 IE/fields under *ServingCellConfigCommon*.* The network does not have to adjust configurations by release-16 fields in *ServingCellConfigCommon* to match the UE capability.
* The UE disregards a configuration it does not support or does not comprehend.
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| ***Summary of change:*** | A note is added in section 5.3.5.8.2 to clarify that the UE behaviour specified in the section does not apply to the fields in *ServingCellConfigCommon* that are defined in release-16 and later. The UE disregards a configuration and does not store the corresponding field(s) if the UE does not support or does not comprehend the configuration.**Impact analysis**Impacted 5G architecture options:NR SA, (NG)EN-DC, NE-DC, NR-DCImpacted functionality:Compatibility check for configurations in *ServingCellConfigCommon*Inter-operability:* If the network is implemented according to the CR and the UE is not; The UE may consider the reconfiguration by the network is erroneous and declare reconfiguration failure.
* If the UE is implemented according to the CR and the network is not; No inter-operability problem.
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | The UE may declare reconfiguration failure when the UE does not support or does not comprehend a configuration in *ServingCellConfigCommon*. |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 5.3.5.8.2 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** |  | **X** |  Other core specifications  | TS/TR ... CR ... |
| ***affected:*** |  | **X** |  Test specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***(show related CRs)*** |  | **X** |  O&M Specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
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| ***Other comments:*** |  |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

5.3.5.8.2 Inability to comply with *RRCReconfiguration*

NOTE x: The UE behaviour specified in this section does not apply to the fields in *ServingCellConfigCommon* that are defined in release-16 and later. The UE ignores, i.e. does not take an action on and does not store, the fields that it does not support or does not comprehend.

The UE shall:

1> if the UE is in (NG)EN-DC:

2> if the UE is unable to comply with (part of) the configuration included in the *RRCReconfiguration* message received over SRB3;

3> if the *RRCReconfiguration* message was received as part of *ConditionalReconfiguration*:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to when the inability to comply with the *RRCReconfiguration* message was detected;

3> else:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to the reception of *RRCReconfiguration* message;

3> if MCG transmission is not suspended:

4> initiate the SCG failure information procedure as specified in subclause 5.7.3 to report SCG reconfiguration error, upon which the connection reconfiguration procedure ends;

3> else:

4> initiate the connection re-establishment procedure as specified in TS 36.331 [10], clause 5.3.7, upon which the connection reconfiguration procedure ends;

2> else, if the UE is unable to comply with (part of) the configuration included in the *RRCReconfiguration* message received over SRB1;

3> if the *RRCReconfiguration* message was received as part of *ConditionalReconfiguration*:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to when the inability to comply with the *RRCReconfiguration* message was detected;

3> else:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to the reception of *RRCReconfiguration* message;

3> initiate the connection re-establishment procedure as specified in TS 36.331 [10], clause 5.3.7, upon which the connection reconfiguration procedure ends.

1> else if *RRCReconfiguration* is received via NR (i.e., NR standalone, NE-DC, or NR-DC):

2> if the UE is unable to comply with (part of) the configuration included in the *RRCReconfiguration* message received over SRB3;

NOTE 0: This case does not apply in NE-DC.

3> if the *RRCReconfiguration* message was received as part of *ConditionalReconfiguration*:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to when the inability to comply with the *RRCReconfiguration* message was detected;

3> else:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to the reception of *RRCReconfiguration* message;

3> if MCG transmission is not suspended:

4> initiate the SCG failure information procedure as specified in subclause 5.7.3 to report SCG reconfiguration error, upon which the connection reconfiguration procedure ends;

3> else:

4> initiate the connection re-establishment procedure as specified in clause 5.3.7, upon which the connection reconfiguration procedure ends;

2> else if the UE is unable to comply with (part of) the configuration included in the *RRCReconfiguration* message received over the SRB1 or if the upper layers indicate that the *nas-Container* is invalid:

NOTE 0a: The compliance also covers the SCG configuration carried within octet strings e.g. field *mrdc-SecondaryCellGroupConfig*. I.e. the failure behaviour defined also applies in case the UE cannot comply with the embedded SCG configuration or with the combination of (parts of) the MCG and SCG configurations.

NOTE 0b: The compliance also covers the V2X sidelink configuration carried within an octet string, e.g. field *sl-ConfigDedicatedEUTRA*. I.e. the failure behaviour defined also applies in case the UE cannot comply with the embedded V2X sidelink configuration.

3> if the *RRCReconfiguration* message was received as part of *ConditionalReconfiguration*:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to when the inability to comply with the *RRCReconfiguration* message was detected;

3> else:

4> continue using the configuration used prior to the reception of *RRCReconfiguration* message;

3> if AS security has not been activated:

4> perform the actions upon going to RRC\_IDLE as specified in 5.3.11, with release cause 'other'

3> else if AS security has been activated but SRB2 and at least one DRB or, for IAB, SRB2,have not been setup:

4> perform the actions upon going to RRC\_IDLE as specified in 5.3.11, with release cause 'RRC connection failure';

3> else:

4> initiate the connection re-establishment procedure as specified in 5.3.7, upon which the reconfiguration procedure ends;

1> else if *RRCReconfiguration* is received via other RAT (Handover to NR failure):

2> if the UE is unable to comply with any part of the configuration included in the *RRCReconfiguration* message or if the upper layers indicate that the *nas-Container* is invalid:

3> perform the actions defined for this failure case as defined in the specifications applicable for the other RAT.

NOTE 1: The UE may apply above failure handling also in case the *RRCReconfiguration* message causes a protocol error for which the generic error handling as defined in clause 10 specifies that the UE shall ignore the message.

NOTE 2: If the UE is unable to comply with part of the configuration, it does not apply any part of the configuration, i.e. there is no partial success/failure.

NOTE 3: It is up to UE implementation whether the compliance check for an *RRCReconfiguration* received as part of *ConditionalReconfiguration* is performed upon the reception of the message or upon CHO and CPC execution (when the message is required to be applied).