

## CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **33.102 CR CR-Num** ⌘ rev **-** ⌘ Current version: **3.8.0** ⌘

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**Proposed change affects:** ⌘ (U)SIM  ME/UE  Radio Access Network  Core Network

**Title:** ⌘ Correction to integrity protection when the user is attached to a UTRAN with R99+ ME with a SIM inserted.

**Source:** ⌘ SA WG3

**Work item code:** ⌘ Security **Date:** ⌘ 17-05-01

**Category:** ⌘ **F** **Release:** ⌘ R99

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- C** (Functional modification of feature)
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- R97** (Release 1997)
- R98** (Release 1998)
- R99** (Release 1999)
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- REL-5** (Release 5)

**Reason for change:** ⌘ It is possible to use SIM cards on UMTS MEs. However, even release 99 SIM card is missing essential file EF<sub>THRESHOLD</sub> (Maximum value of START) which is required in integrity protection. As a consequence, a default value should be used on ME when the user is attached to a UTRAN with R99+ ME with a SIM inserted.

**Summary of change:** ⌘ Chapter 6.4.3 modified to support also SIM cards.  
Chapter 6.8.2.4 modified to use a default value for the maximum value of START<sub>CS</sub> or START<sub>PS</sub>.

**Consequences if not approved:** ⌘ It is not possible to use SIM cards on UMTS MEs for UTRAN access.

**Clauses affected:** ⌘ 6.4.3, 6.8.2.4

**Other specs affected:** ⌘  Other core specifications ⌘  Test specifications  
 O&M Specifications

**Other comments:** ⌘

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### 6.4.3 Cipher key and integrity key lifetime

Authentication and key agreement which generates cipher/integrity keys is not mandatory at call set-up, and there is therefore the possibility of unlimited and malicious re-use of compromised keys. A mechanism is needed to ensure that a particular cipher/integrity key set is not used for an unlimited period of time, to avoid attacks using compromised keys. The USIM shall therefore contain a mechanism to limit the amount of data that is protected by an access link key set.

Each time an RRC connection is released the values  $START_{CS}$  and  $START_{PS}$  of the bearers that were protected in that RRC connection are stored in the USIM. When the next RRC connection is established that values are read from the USIM.

The ME shall trigger the generation of a new access link key set (a cipher key and an integrity key) if  $START_{CS}$  or  $START_{PS}$  has reached a maximum value set by the operator and stored in the USIM at the next RRC connection request message sent out. When this maximum value is reached the cipher key and integrity key stored on USIM shall be deleted.

This mechanism will ensure that a cipher/integrity key set cannot be reused beyond the limit set by the operator.

When the user is attached to a UTRAN, R99+ ME with a SIM inserted shall use a default value for maximum value of  $START_{CS}$  or  $START_{PS}$  as described in chapter 6.8.2.4.

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### 6.8.2.4 R99+ ME

R99+ ME with a SIM inserted, shall participate only in GSM AKA.

GSM AKA results in the establishment of a GSM security context; the GSM cipher key  $K_c$  and the cipher key sequence number CKSN are stored in the ME.

When the user is attached to a UTRAN, R99+ ME shall derive the UMTS cipher/integrity keys CK and IK from the GSM cipher key  $K_c$  using the conversion functions c4 and c5. The ME shall handle the  $START_{CS}$  and  $START_{PS}$  as described in section 6.4.8 with the exception that the START values are stored on the ME rather than on the GSM SIM. If the ME loses the current START value for a particular domain (e.g. due to power off) it shall delete the corresponding GSM cipher key ( $K_c$ ), the derived UMTS cipher/integrity keys (CK and IK), and reset the START value to zero. The ME shall then trigger a new authentication and key agreement at the next connection establishment by indicating to the network that no valid keys are available for use using the procedure described in section 6.4.4.

When the user is attached to a UTRAN, R99+ ME with a SIM inserted shall use a default value of all ones for maximum value of  $START_{CS}$  or  $START_{PS}$ . The ME shall handle the maximum value of  $START_{CS}$  or  $START_{PS}$  as described in section 6.4.3 with the exception that the maximum value of  $START_{CS}$  or  $START_{PS}$  is stored on the ME rather than on the GSM SIM.