**Comment collection for:**

[AT127][012][Emergency calls] Acceptable cells (ZTE)

 Intended outcome: Review CR for acceptable cells behaviour

 Deadline: Company comments by Thursday 22/08/2024 16:30 CEST please

**Issue about “generic wording”:**

Currently the description for each case for the barring exception lists various conditions as shown below (taking the redcap case as an example)

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| When *cellBarredRedCap1Rx* is set to "barred" in SIB1, if cell selection criteria are fulfilled as defined in clause 5.2.3, *cellBarred* in MIB is not set to "barred" and in SIB1, *barringExemptEmergencyCall* is present and, if the RedCap UE supports only half duplex FDD operation, *halfDuplexRedCapAllowed* is set to "true", * The RedCap UE that supports only 1Rx branch shall treat this cell as acceptable cell and not treat the cell as a barred cell.
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All the green highlighted parts of the text are essentially checking that the UE is not barred and can access the cell normally based on other conditions which are generally captured in RRC. In R2-2406441 it is pointed out that in addition to those conditions in green above, we may have to check also the TAC related condition (“and, *trackingAreaCode* is provided for the selected PLMN or the registered PLMN or PLMN of the equivalent PLMN list in SIB1”). Whilst this is the general understanding, it seems companies feel that this is not the only additional condition that may be missing but may be there are others. So, instead of proliferating these general conditions that the UE has to satisfy (as already captured in 38.331), it was commented that we should rather try to find a generic wording for this. So, companies are encouraged to suggest any generic wording for this and we can see if we can achieve consensus on some wording. Please use the RedCap case as the example for your generic wording suggestion.

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| Company | Generic wording suggestion | Comments |
| ZTE (rapp) | If *cellBarredRedCap1Rx* is set to "barred" in SIB1 and if cell selection criteria are fulfilled as defined in clause 5.2.3 and if the cell would not be treated as barred by the UE for any other reason other than the *cellBarredRedCap1Rx* being set to "barred" (see 38.331) and in SIB1, *barringExemptEmergencyCall* is present,* The RedCap UE that supports only 1Rx branch shall treat this cell as acceptable cell.
 | The barring exception specifically nullifies the barring due to the *cellBarredRedCap1Rx*. So, it does not nullify barring or access control due to anything else. So, may be the generic sentence can pin point that the barring exemption specifically nullifies this specific bit and nothing else??  |
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