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## **Introduction**

Through the standardisation work in TTC, it was noticed that TS23.054 “*Description for the use of a Shared Inter Working Function (SIWF) in a GSM PLMN - Stage 2*” was missing in the Rel-4 specifications list of TS21.102 V4.1.0 “*3rd Generation mobile system Release 4 specifications*” as of 2001-07. On the other hand, TS23.054 are still referred by other Rel-4 specifications such as TS23.002 “*Network architecture*” and TS29.002 “*Mobile Application Part (MAP) specification*”. Besides, TS23.003 defines the SCCP subsystem numbers for SIWF. The existence of SIWF entity is still considered by these specifications. This means that a discrepancy exists among specifications.

## **Discussion**

The originator of this discussion paper would appreciate if the WG, which is responsible for TS23.054, could clarify the followings;

1. The status of Rel-4 TS23.054.
2. Any communications held with other WGs. (i.e. whether the deletion of SIWF from REL-4 is well known and shared in 3GPP community.)
3. Any future plans to fix this discrepancy, for example;

Option 1:

Produce Rel-4 TS23.054.

Option 2:

Ask participating companies of their interest in SWIF. If there is no interest and companies can agree to delete SWIF, then a LS should be produced and sent out to corresponding WGs to inform of the decision of the deletion.

Option 3:

Discuss at the SA plenary meeting next week and ask for the guidance of SA plenary and SA1 whether SWIF is still required. If SWIF is no longer required, then a LS should be produced and sent out to CN plenary and CN WGs to inform of the decision of the deletion.