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Agenda Item:

Following discussion at TSG SA plenaries in Kyongju and Nice TSG SA requested that TSGs shall provide the information to TSG SA and more practically to TSG SA WG2 in order to elaborate a proper work planning for 3GPP. For the purpose of handling the work plan S2 has established several groups of co-ordination responsible for gathering and consolidating the different information coming from the different TSGs on a specific subject (e.g. F. COURAU is responsible for the inter-group co-ordination on "Bearers and Access Stratum". Inter-group co-ordination groups (?) consist of one representative of each of the Working groups involved in the area. By default chairs of the working groups shall be responsible for providing the information on time plan and identified work.

As a consequence, TSG SA decided that Work Items shall be categorised. A new set of subcategories have been endorsed. A Work item can be either a feature or a building block or a work task.

A feature corresponds to a new service that TSG SA WG1 has identified.

Building blocks are identified by TSG SA WG2 corresponding to a self-contained sub-component of the system following the analysis of the features. It has to be noted that a Building block may also be independent from a feature. For practical reasons there may be more than one level of building blocks.

A work task is corresponding to the work of a single WG that can be identified by TSG/WG.

In summary the features are defined by TSG SA WG1, building blocks by TSG SA WG2 and work tasks by TSG (RAN, CN T or SA and their respective WG).

A preliminary list of building blocks allocated to RAN is provided hereafter elaborated by TSG SA WG2:

- LCS support in UTRAN,
- SOLSA and cell selection,
- Base Station Testing,
- RAN O&M.
- Out of Band Transcoder,
- Evolution of bearers on the radio interface to enable IP based multimedia in UMTS,
- UTRAN improvement,
- Radio Interface Improvement, and
- Evolution of transport in the UTRAN (this belong to a feature called "evolution of the