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RAN WG1 would like to inform RAN WG2 of the decision taken regarding the transmission of AMR Mode Commands bits.

During the joint meeting between RAN WG1 and SA WG4, it was decided that transmission of AMR Mode Commands could be supported with the tools already available in RAN Specifications. Thus, no new scheme was introduced for this purpose. This means that AMR Mode Commands will be carried in a separate Transport Channel and encoded, multiplexed, etc, with the current tools in L1, in particular no new multiplexing or coding scheme is introduced for this purpose.

RAN WG1 would also like to check the following point with RAN WG2. If in some cases, AMR Mode Commands need not to be transmitted as fast as what is enabled by carrying them in a separate Transport Channel, would some slower higher layer signalling be available to carry them, which would not require establishment of a separate Transport Channel?.

RAN WG1 thanks RAN WG2 for their input on this issue.