**3GPP TSG-RAN WG2 Meeting #121bis-e *R2-2304527***

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| **CHANGE REQUEST** |
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|  | **38.300** | **CR** | **0666** | **rev** | **-** | **Current version:** | **17.4.0** |  |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **X** | Radio Access Network |  | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | Clarification on the application of slice-based RACH configuration |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Nokia, Huawei |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R2 |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_Slice -Core |  | ***Date:*** | 2023-04 |
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| ***Category:*** | **F** |  | ***Release:*** | Rel-17 |
|  | *Use one of the following categories:****F*** *(correction)****A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)****B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)****D*** *(editorial modification)*Detailed explanations of the above categories canbe found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | *Use one of the following releases:Rel-8 (Release 8)Rel-9 (Release 9)Rel-10 (Release 10)Rel-11 (Release 11)…Rel-16 (Release 16)Rel-17 (Release 17)Rel-18 (Release 18)Rel-19 (Release 19)* |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | The stage 2 specification of the UE behaviour when the UE NAS does not receive any NSAG information for Random Access is missing. |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | It is clarified when the UE AS does not receive any NSAG information from NAS for Random Access, the UE does not apply the slice-based RACH configuration.**Impact analysis**Impacted functionality: Slice-based RAInter-operability: Implementation of this CR will not cause compatibility issues, as no change in the UE or network behaviour is expected due to this CR. |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | Unclear specification for the application of slice based RACH configuration. |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** |  16.3.3.1 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** |  | **X** |  Other core specifications  | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***affected:*** |  | **X** |  Test specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***(show related CRs)*** |  | **X** |  O&M Specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
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| ***Other comments:*** |  |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

*First Modified Subclause*

#### 16.3.3.1 General

Resource isolation enables specialized customization and avoids one slice affecting another slice.

Hardware/software resource isolation is up to implementation. Each slice may be assigned with either shared, prioritized or dedicated radio resource up to RRM implementation and SLA as in TS 28.541 [49].

To enable differentiated handling of traffic for network slices with different SLA:

- NG-RAN is configured with a set of different configurations for different network slices by OAM;

- To select the appropriate configuration for the traffic for each network slice, NG-RAN receives relevant information indicating which of the configurations applies for this specific network slice.

Slice-based RACH configuration for RA isolation and prioritization can be included in SIB1 messages. The slice-based RACH configurations are associated to specific NSAG(s), and if not provided for a NSAG that UE considers for selecting the RACH configuration, then the UE does not consider the NSAG for selecting the slice-based RACH configuration. The UE determines the NSAG to be considered during RA as specified in TS 23.501 [3]. When the UE AS does not receive any NSAG information from NAS for Random Access, the UE does not apply the slice-based RACH configuration.

*End of Changes*