**3GPP TSG-SA3 Meeting #106-e *draft\_S3-220338-r2***

e-meeting, 14 - 25 February 2022

**Title: [DRAFT] Reply LS on CT6’s study item related to network slice-specific authentication and authorization (NSSAA)**

**Response to: LS (S3-220013/** **C6-210357) for feedback on CT6’s study item related to network slice-specific authentication and authorization (NSSAA)from CT6**

**Release: Rel-17**

**Work Item: TEI17**

**Source: Qualcomm Incorporated (to be SA3)**

**To:** **CT6**

**Cc: -**

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**Attachments:** -

# 1 Overall description

SA3 thanks CT6 on their LS for feedback on CT6’s study item related to network slice-specific authentication and authorization (NSSAA). SA3 reviewed the proposed study item and would like to provide the following feedback.

NSSAA is performed between a UE and an AAA Server that is owned by an external 3rd party enterprise (e.g., MNO’s slice customer) using EAP. The choice of EAP method and credentials used for NSSAA between the UE and the AAA Server is transparent to the 5G system and is determined by the owner of the AAA Server. The actual EAP method or credentials that can be used for NSSAA is not specified by 3GPP. Furthermore, SA3 have not identified a need to standardize a specific EAP authentication method or the type of credentials that can be used for NSSAA. Therefore, SA3 does not see the need for the study item proposed by CT6.

# 2 Actions

**To CT6**

**ACTION:** CT6 is kindly requested to take the above feedback into account

# 3 Dates of next TSG SA WG 3 meetings

SA3#106-Bis 4 - 8 April 2022 electronic meeting

SA3#107 16 - 20 May 2022 electronic meeting