

12-14 September, 2000

Washington D.C., USA

Liaison Statement

From: S3

To: T3

Subject: Re: Limitation of Lifetime of Keys CK and IK

S3 thanks T3 for their liaison statement regarding Limitation of Lifetime of Keys CK and IK, especially regarding handling of the START value by the ME resp. the USIM.

S3 has reconsidered the matter in light of your comments and agreed that the START value should be checked by the ME instead of the USIM.

A CR against 33.102 addressing this issue and your remaining comments is attached to this LS.

CHANGE REQUEST

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33.102 CR xxx

Current Version: **3.5.0**

GSM (AA.BB) or 3G (AA.BBB) specification number ↑

↑ CR number as allocated by MCC support team

For submission to: **SA#9**
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non-strategic (for SMG use only)

Form: CR cover sheet, version 2 for 3GPP and SMG The latest version of this form is available from: <http://ftp.3gpp.org/Information/CR-Form-v2.doc>

Proposed change affects: (U)SIM ME UTRAN / Radio Core Network
(at least one should be marked with an X)

Source: TSG SA WG3 **Date:** 12th Sept 2000

Subject: Clarification on condition on rejecting keys CR and IK

Work item: Security

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| | A Corresponds to a correction in an earlier release | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Release 96 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <small>(only one category shall be marked with an X)</small> | B Addition of feature | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Release 97 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | C Functional modification of feature | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Release 98 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | D Editorial modification | <input type="checkbox"/> | | Release 99 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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Reason for change: Conditions on rejecting keys CK and IK are not in line with the 3G security concept and TS 31.102.

Clauses affected: 6.5.4.2, 6.6.4.2

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| Other specs affected: | Other 3G core specifications | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | → List of CRs: |
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Other comments: Possible impact on T WG3 specifications



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6.5.4.2 IK

The integrity key IK is 128 bits long.

There may be one IK for CS connections (IK_{CS}), established between the CS service domain and the user and one IK for PS connections (IK_{PS}) established between the PS service domain and the user. Which integrity key to use for a particular connection is described in 6.5.6.

For UMTS subscribers IK is established during UMTS AKA as the output of the integrity key derivation function f4, that is available in the USIM and in the HLR/AuC. For GSM subscribers, that access the UTRAN, IK is established following GSM AKA and is derived from the GSM cipher key Kc, as described in 6.8.2.

IK is stored in the USIM and a copy is stored in the ME. IK is sent from the USIM to the ME upon request of the ME. The USIM shall send IK under the condition that 1) a valid IK is available. ~~The UEME shall trigger a new authentication procedure reject the currently received IK if,~~ 2) the current values of $START_{CS}$ or $START_{PS}$ in the USIM ~~is are not up-to-date and~~ 3) ~~or~~ $START_{CS}$ or $START_{PS}$ ~~has have not~~ reached THRESHOLD. The ME shall delete IK from memory after power-off as well as after removal of the USIM.

IK is sent from the HLR/AuC to the VLR or SGSN and stored in the VLR or SGSN as part of a quintet. It is sent from the VLR or SGSN to the RNC in the (RANAP) *security mode command*.

At handover, the IK is transmitted within the network infrastructure from the old RNC to the new RNC, to enable the communication to proceed, and the synchronisation procedure is resumed. The IK remains unchanged at handover.

6.6.4.2 CK

The cipher key CK is 128 bits long.

There may be one CK for CS connections (CK_{CS}), established between the CS service domain and the user and one CK for PS connections (CK_{PS}) established between the PS service domain and the user. Which cipher key to use for a particular logical channel is described in 6.6.6. For UMTS subscribers, CK is established during UMTS AKA, as the output of the cipher key derivation function f3, available in the USIM and in HLR/AuC. For GSM subscribers that access the UTRAN, CK is established following GSM AKA and is derived from the GSM cipher key Kc, as described in 8.2.

CK is stored in the USIM and a copy is stored in the ME. CK is sent from the USIM to the ME upon request of the ME. The USIM shall send CK under the condition that 1) a valid CK is available. ~~The UEME shall reject the currently received Ck~~ trigger a new authentication procedure if, 2) the current value of $START_{CS}$ or $START_{PS}$ in the USIM ~~is are not up-to-date and~~ 3) ~~or~~ $START_{CS}$ or $START_{PS}$ ~~has have not~~ reached THRESHOLD. The ME shall delete CK from memory after power-off as well as after removal of the USIM.

CK is sent from the HLR/AuC to the VLR or SGSN and stored in the VLR or SGSN as part of the quintet. It is sent from the VLR or SGSN to the RNC in the (RANAP) *security mode command*.

At handover, the CK is transmitted within the network infrastructure from the old RNC to the new RNC, to enable the communication to proceed. The cipher CK remains unchanged at handover.