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Liaison Statement

From: TSG-T2

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Subject: Bluetooth as USAT local link mechanism

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Attachments: none

TSG-T2 has discussed the LS fromT3 on USAT local link mechanism, document T3-000606 (T2-000602) with attachments T3-000548, T3-000604 and T3-000605.

T2 thinks it is inappropriate to limit the USAT local link to Bluetooth only. Other cabled and wireless link mechanism exists that are in general equally appropriate and specifically for some applications more appropriate. We do understand that if all interested parties agree to concentrate their efforts on Bluetooth as the USAT local link mechanism, this will be advantageous for the speed of adoption of USAT local link and applications using it.

However, we believe it is not the intention of TS-31.111 to limit the USAT local link mechanism to a particular bearer. We ask that T3 inform T2 as soon as possible that our understanding of the CRs (T3-000604-CR1 and T3-000605-CR2) to TS31.111 is correct; i.e. that it is still possible to use all bearers and that specification work will continue to ensure that not only Bluetooth is allowed.

T2 would also like to add that some of the security and operational implications of USAT local link is under discussion in T2, and we might revisit the issue in the near future.