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A) Outline

The objective of this document is to present comprehensive, country-specific security requirements for the UE radio Capability Management Function (UCMF), a network function of the 5G Core. The UCMF stores the UE Radio Capability IDs and their mappings to the corresponding UE radio capabilities. It is used for the storage of dictionary entries corresponding to either Network-assigned or Manufacturer assigned UE Radio Capability IDs; provisioning of manufacturer assigned UE Radio Capability ID entries in the UCMF, performed from an AF that interacts with the UCMF either directly or via the Network Exposure Function/Service Capability Exposure Function (NEF/SCEF) or via Network Management.

The specifications produced by various regional/international standardization bodies/organizations/associations like 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP), International Telecommunication Union - Telecommunications Standardization Sector (ITU-T), International Organization for Standardization (ISO), European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI), Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), Next Generation Mobile Networks alliance (NGMN), Global System for Mobile communication Association (GSMA), Telecommunications Standards Development Society (TSDSI) along with the country-specific security requirements are the basis for this document. The Telecommunication Engineering center (TEC)/TSDSI references made in this document implies that the respective clause has been adopted as it is or with certain modifications.

This document commences with a brief description of the 5G system architecture, evolution of the 5G core network function UCMF, overview of UCMF and its functionalities, UE Radio Capability ID structure and formats, UE capability parameters, UCMF architecture and related reference points in 5GS and EPS, UCMF interfaces, URCMP protocol, UCMF services and then proceeds to address the common and entity specific security requirements of UCMF related to the SBI based interface, OAM interface, Nucmf provisioning API, URCMP based interface and secure storage of database related to IMEI/TAC values of UEs, UE radio capability IDs and UE radio capabilities.

B) Scope

This document targets on the security requirements of the 5G Core network function UCMF as defined by 3GPP. This document does not cover the security requirements at the virtualization and infrastructure layers. Remote Access regulations are governed by the Licensing Wing of DoT.

C) Conventions

1. Must or shall or required denotes the absolute requirement of a particular clause of ITSAR.
2. Must not or shall not denote absolute prohibition of a particular clause of ITSAR.
3. Should or Recommended denotes that the particular clause of ITSAR may be ignored under justifiable circumstances but after careful examination of its implications.
4. Should not or not Recommended denotes the opposite meaning of (3) above.

Chapter 1 - Overview

1.1 Introduction

The fifth generation of mobile technologies (5G) is expected to connect people, things, data, applications, transport systems and cities in a smart networked communication environment. 5G is standardized by the 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP) and the requirement framework for 5G is specified by International Telecommunication Union (ITU) under International Mobile Telecommunications-(IMT)-2020. The usage scenarios/use cases identified for 5G are i) Enhanced Mobile Broadband (eMBB) ii) Massive Machine Type Communications (mMTC) and iii) Ultra Reliable and Low Latency Communications (URLLC).

1.2 5G Architecture

The 5G architecture facilitates data connectivity and supports various service deployments by using techniques like Software Defined Networking (SDN) and Network Function Virtualization (NFV). This facilitates the separation of control plane and data plane to achieve scalable and flexible deployments.

The generic 5G system (5GS) architecture consists of User Equipment (UE), Radio Access Network supporting New Radio (NR), supporting 3GPP (e.g., New Radio (NR) and Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA)), as well as non-3GPP access (e. g. Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)) and 5G Core Network (5G-CN). The 5G base station is called the Next Generation Node B (gNB). The deployment strategies possible are Non-Stand Alone (NSA) and Stand Alone (SA). SA denotes 5G NR connected to 5G-Core Network. In the NSA mode, 5G NR gets connected to the Fourth Generation (4G) Evolved Packet Core (EPC) but uses Long Term Evolution (LTE) as an anchor in the control plane.

1.2.1 5G Core Network

Core network is the central part of the mobile network. 5G core network provides authentication, security, mobility management, session management services and enables the subscribers through access and authorization to avail the services.

These functionalities of the 5G core network are supported using 3GPP defined processing functions called as “network functions”. Network functions can be implemented using either dedicated hardware or can be instantiated as virtualized functions.

The salient features of 5G Core are as follows:

- 1) Separation of Control Plane and User Plane
- 2) Service Based Architecture (SBA)
- 3) Network Slicing
- 4) Network Function Virtualization (NFV) and Software Defined Networking (SDN)
- 5) Access Agnostic
- 6) Framework for policy control and support of QoS and
- 7) Storage of subscription data, subscriber access authentication, authorization and security anchoring.

In the SBA framework, the individual elements are defined as Network Functions (NFs) instead of Network entities. Through Service Based Interface (SBI), each of the NFs consumes services offered by other service producers viz. other NFs. Representational State Transfer (REST)ful Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) are used in 5G SBA which use Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)/2 as application layer protocol. Service based architecture for the 5G system is shown in Figure 1 including some important core network functions.

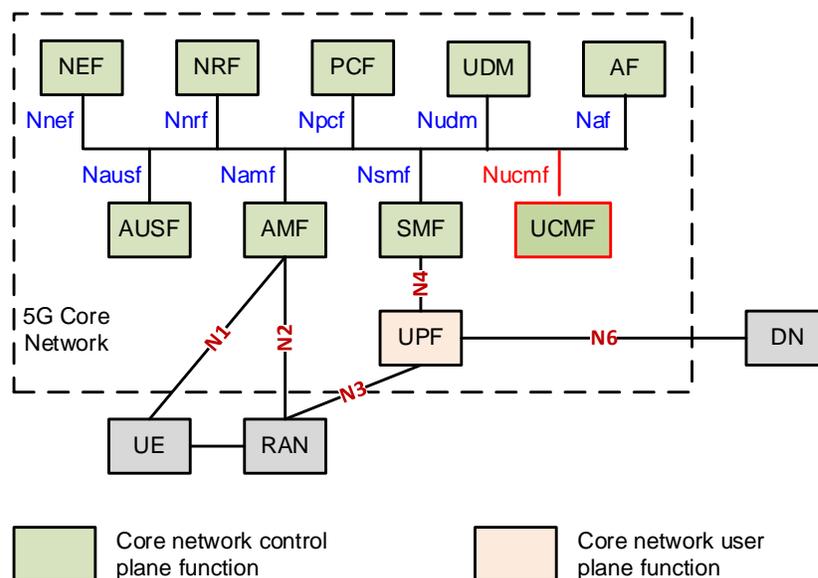


Figure 1: Service based architectural view of 5GS
[Adapted from: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 23.501-17.6.0 V1.2.0]

Some of the core network functions and their functionalities are as follows:

1) Access and Mobility Management Function (AMF): Some of the functionalities of AMF are registration management, connection management, mobility management, access authentication and authorization, termination of Non-Access Stratum (NAS) and support for Short Message Service (SMS).

2) Session Management Function (SMF): Some of the functionalities of SMF are session establishment, modification and release, UE Internet Protocol (IP) address allocation and management, charging data collection and termination of interfaces towards Policy Control Function (PCF).

3) Authentication Server Function (AuSF): AuSF resides in the Home Network. It supports UE authentication for 3GPP and non-3GPP accesses.

4) User Plane Function (UPF): Some of the UPF functionalities include packet routing and forwarding, policy enforcement (related to user plane part), traffic usage reporting and QoS handling for user planes. It is the anchor point for UE in case of Intra or Inter RAT mobility.

5) Application Function (AF): It interacts with 5G architecture to provide services and can access Network Exposure Function (NEF) (and possibly PCF) by interacting with the policy framework for policy control. In case of existence of more than one PCFs in the Core Network, it reaches the concerned PCF through Binding Support Function (BSF).

6) Network Exposure Function (NEF): Some of the functionalities of NEF are exposure of capabilities, events and analytics, and secure provisioning of information from external applications to the 5G network.

7) Network Repository Function (NRF): NRF supports service discovery function and maintains NF profiles of available NF instances and their supported services. It receives NF discovery request from NF instances and provides information of the discovered NF instances to them.

8) Policy Control Function (PCF): PCF functionalities include support for a unified policy framework to govern the network behavior. PCF provides policy rules to control plane for enforcement and accesses subscription information relevant to policy decisions from Unified Data Repository (UDR).

9) Unified Data Management (UDM): Some of the UDM functionalities are user identification handling, access authorization based on subscription data and UE's serving NF registration management.

10) UE radio Capability Management Function (UCMF): UCMF is used for storage of the dictionary entries corresponding to either Manufacturer assigned or Network/PLMN assigned UE Radio Capability IDs (associated to IMEI/TAC of the UE) and their mappings to the corresponding UE radio capabilities.

Any network function in the control plane can enable other authorized network functions to access their services using the standard service-based interfaces.

Figure 2 shows a reference point representation for a few functions of the core network. Point to point reference points are shown between two network functions, for example N55 between UCMF and AMF and N57 between UCMF and AF.

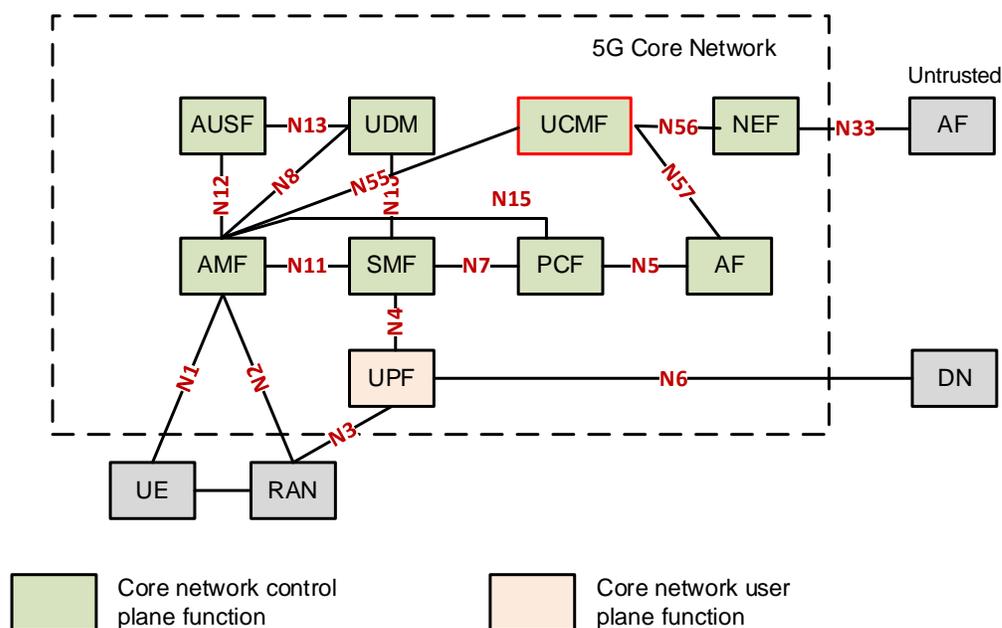


Figure 2: Reference point representation for 5GS
 [Adapted from: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 23.501-17.6.0 V1.2.0]

1.3 General Security Architecture for 5G System

The 5G System works on the principle of cloud-native service-based architecture which presents the need for consideration of security aspects. Secure interactions between the network functions are governed by the security features, i.e., Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability. The architecture enabling secure communications between the network entities is shown in Figure 3.

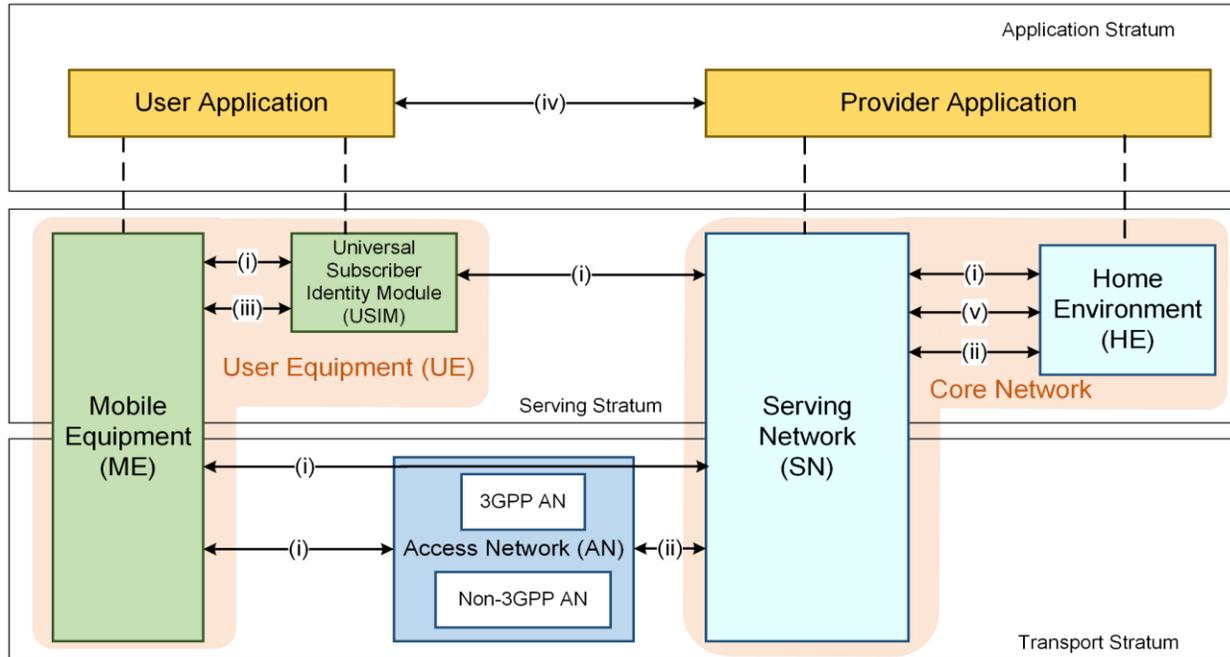


Figure 3: Overview of the security architecture [Adapted from: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.501-17.7.0 V1.1.0]

Mobile Equipment (ME)/ User Equipment (UE) is served by 3GPP and Non 3GPP access networks to facilitate connectivity with the Core Network. When MEs are outside the coverage area of the Home Environment (their primary service provider), they are served by the Serving Network (or visiting network). When the ME is in the coverage area of its primary service provider, there will be no distinction between the Serving Network (SN) and Home Environment (HE), they will be one and the same. ME's communication with the Serving Network is facilitated using the Universal Subscriber Identity Module (USIM).

User Application is the application layer in the UE, which facilitates user interaction with provider applications. Provider Application communicates with the user application using the logical link established through the 5G System.

The security features and the security mechanisms for the 5G System and the 5G Core can be categorized in following domains:

(i) Network Access security: UEs are authenticated and provided access to the network using security features of this domain. It provides secure access via the 3GPP and non-3GPP networks, in particular, protects radio interfaces against attacks. In addition, it includes security context delivery from Serving Network to Access Network (AN) to support access security.

(ii) Network Domain security: The security features of this domain allow network nodes to securely exchange signaling data and user plane data.

(iii) User domain security: Users can securely access the mobile equipment using security features of this domain.

(iv) Application domain security: The features of this security domain facilitate secure exchange of messages between applications in user domain and provider domain.

(v) SBA domain security: The security features of this domain facilitate secure communication between NFs over the service-based interfaces within the serving network domain and other network domains.

(vi) Visibility and configurability of security: The security features of this domain provide information about availability of security features to the user. This domain is not shown in the figure 3.

Any network function in the control plane can enable other authorized network functions to access their services using standard service-based interfaces.

The Common and specific security requirements of the UE Capability Management Function are covered in the present document. The following sections cover the evolution and overview of the UCMF along with its security aspects.

1.4 Evolution of the UE Capability Management Function (UCMF)

UE radio capability information data volume as defined in the 3GPP TS 38.306 release 15 is high. It further increased with Rel. 16 due to the additional supported bands in 5G NR and other features.

A solution was required for support of UE radio access capabilities that exceeded 65,536 bytes. Also, a solution was desired to provide fast, reliable, low processing complexity mechanisms for frequently used procedures (e.g. Service request, RRC connection resume, Handovers, secondary gNB addition etc.). Solution was needed so that the full UE radio access capabilities shall not normally be transferred, but stored in a local storage instead.

3GPP standardized in release 16, the UE Radio Capability Signaling Optimization (RACS) for both, E-UTRAN/EPS and NG RAN/5GC networks. The 3GPP TS 23.003 has Introduced a new element UE Radio Capability ID that maps to the corresponding UE Capabilities (referred to as Dictionary Entries). 3GPP has also standardized in it's release 16, the UE radio Capability Management function (UCMF) for storage of dictionary entries related to UE radio capability IDs and corresponding UE capabilities.

1.4.1 UE Radio Capability ID Structure:

The UE Radio Capability ID is an identifier used to represent a set of UE radio capabilities.

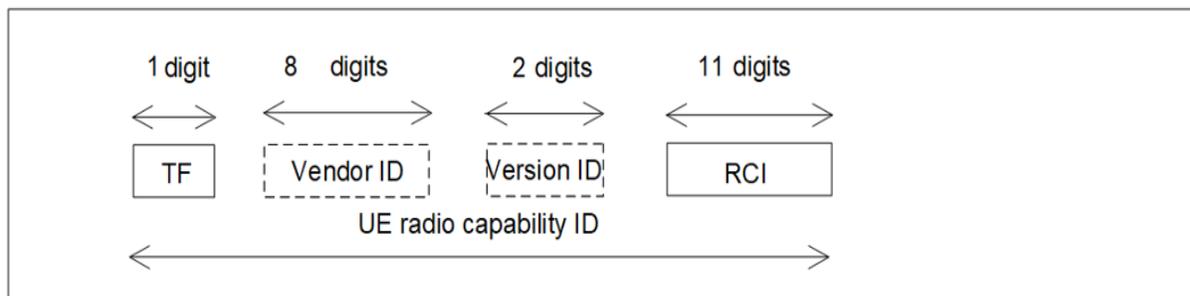


Figure 4: Structure of UE radio capability ID [Reference: 3GPP TS 23.003 V17.9.0 (2023-03)]

The UE radio capability ID comprises of the following elements (hexadecimal digits):

a) Type Field (TF): identifies the type of UE radio capability ID.

- i) 0: manufacturer-assigned UE radio capability ID;
- ii) 1: network-assigned UE radio capability ID; and
- iii) 2 to F: spare values for future use.

b) The Vendor ID is an identifier of UE manufacturer. This is defined by a value of Private Enterprise Number issued by Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) in its capacity as the private enterprise number administrator.

Two possible options for the assignment of UE Radio Capability ID exist:

- a) Manufacturer-assigned: The UE Radio Capability ID assigned by the UE manufacturer includes a UE manufacturer identification (i.e. a Vendor ID), assigned by the Internet Assigned Number's Authority (IANA). In this case, the UE Radio Capability ID uniquely identifies a set of UE radio capabilities for a UE by this manufacturer in any network.
- b) Network-assigned: If a manufacturer-assigned UE Radio Capability ID is not used by the UE or the serving network, or it is not recognized by the serving network's UCMF, the UCMF may allocate UE Radio Capability IDs for the UE corresponding to each different set of UE radio capabilities which the network may receive from the UE at different times.

- i) In this case, the UE Radio Capability IDs which the UE receives are applicable to the serving network and uniquely identify the corresponding sets of UE radio capabilities in this network.
- ii) The network-assigned UE Radio Capability ID includes a Version ID in its format. The value of the Version ID is the one configured in the UCMF, at the time when the UE Radio Capability ID value is assigned. The Version ID value makes it possible to detect whether a UE Radio Capability ID is current or outdated.

1.4.2 UE Radio Capability Parameters

There is a wide range of UE capability parameters, defined by 3GPP. The parameters for which there is a possibility for the UEs to signal different values only are considered as UE radio access capability parameters.

Some examples of the UE capability parameters include:

- a) Supported Maximum Data rate for DL/UL.
- b) Total Layer 2 Buffer Size for DL/UL/SL.
- c) Support for FDD /TDD.
- d) Support for FR1/ FR2 of 5G NR.
- e) RLC Parameters /DRX support.
- f) UE based speed information reporting support.
- g) Support for UE based performance measurement parameters e.g. logged measurements (RRC inactive/idle state), WLAN measurements, Bluetooth measurements etc.
- h) The Access Stratum Release supported by the UE.
- i) The UE support for delay budget reporting.
- j) The support of UE for out of order delivery of data to upper layers by PDCP.

1.4.3 UE radio Capability Management Function

The UE radio Capability Management Function (UCMF) is a 5G Core Network Function. It stores the UE Radio Capability IDs and their mappings to the corresponding UE radio capabilities.

It is used for:

- a) the storage of dictionary entries corresponding to either Network-assigned or Manufacturer assigned UE Radio Capability IDs.
- b) assigning Network-assigned UE Radio Capability ID values.
- c) provisioning of Manufacturer-assigned UE Radio Capability ID entries in the UCMF performed from an AF that interacts with the UCMF either directly or via the NEF/SCEF (or via Network Management).

- d) Each PLMN-assigned UE Radio Capability ID is also associated to the IMEI/TAC of the UE model(s) that it is related to. When an AMF/ MME requests the UCMF to assign a UE Radio Capability ID for a set of UE radio capabilities, it indicates the IMEI/TAC of the UE that the UE Radio Capability information is related to.
- e) A UCMF that serves both EPS and 5GS shall require provisioning the UE Radio Capability ID with the 3GPP TS 36.331 format or 3GPP TS 38.331 format or both the formats of the UE radio capabilities.

A UCMF dictionary entry also includes the related UE Radio Capability to facilitate Paging for each Radio Access Technology (RAT).

1.4.4 UCMF Architecture

Figures 5 & 6 depict the UCMF architecture and related reference points in 5GS and EPS. The UCMF communicates with the AMF, NEF and AF over the Ncmf service-based interface and with the Mobility Management Entity (MME) of the 4G EPS using the S17 interface based on the URCMP protocol.

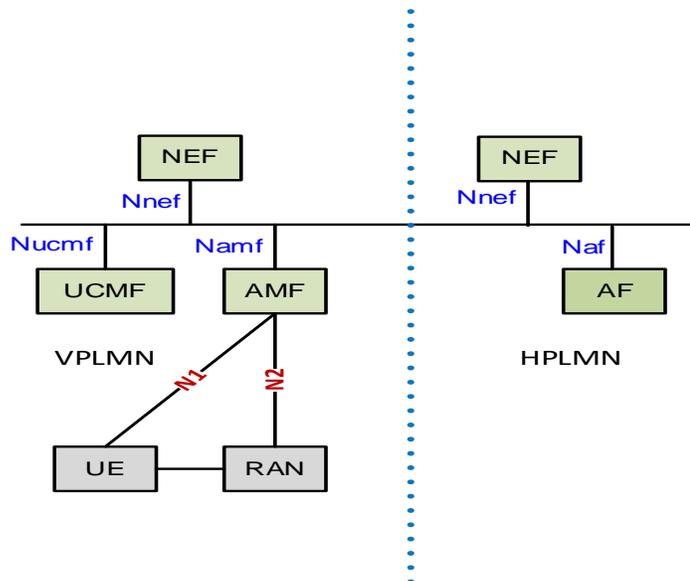


Figure 5: UCMF architecture and related reference points in 5GS [Adapted from: TSDSI STD T1. 3GPP TS 23.501 V17.6.0]

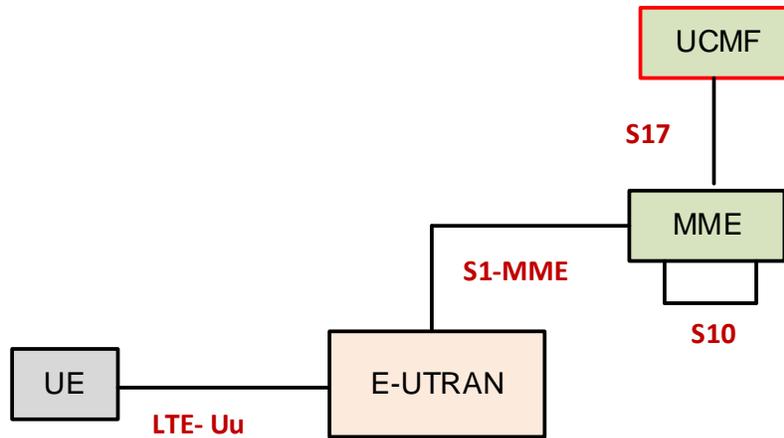


Figure 6: UCMF architecture and related reference points in EPS [Adapted from: TSDSI STD T1. 3GPP TS 23.401 V17.9.0]

1.4.5 URCMP Protocol

The URCMP protocol is used for transfer of messages and information elements over the S17 reference point between the MME and the UCMF to support UE Radio Capability Signaling optimization.

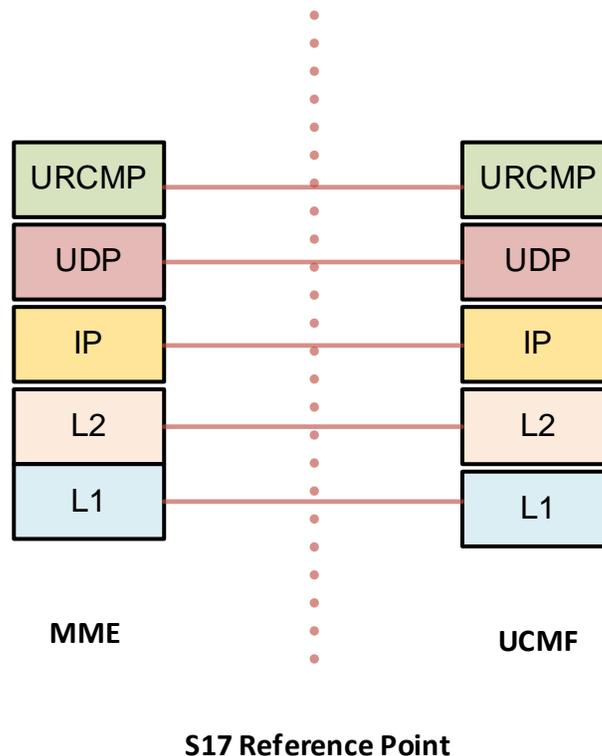


Figure 7: Control Plane Stack over S17 [Adapted from: Section 4; Fig.4.1.1 3GPP TS 29.674 V17.0.0]

1.4.6 UCMF Services:

- 1) The UCMF provides the Nucmf_Provisioning service operation that allows the NF consumer e. g. AF/NEF to provision a dictionary entry in the UCMF consisting of a Manufacturer-assigned UE Radio Capability ID, the corresponding UE Radio Capability for Paging and the corresponding UE radio capabilities and the (list of) associated IMEI/TAC value(s). The UE radio capabilities the NF consumer provides for a UE radio Capability ID can be in TS 36.331 format, TS 38.331 format or both formats.
- 2) The Nucmf_Provisioning service is also used for deletion or update of a (list of IMEI/TAC value(s) associated to an entry) of dictionary entries in the UCMF.
- 3) The Nucmf_UEcapability_Management service allows the NF consumer e. g. AMF to subscribe or unsubscribe for notifications of UCMF dictionary entries.
- 4) The Nucmf_UEcapability_Management service allows the NF consumer to be notified about creation and deletion of UCMF dictionary entries.
- 5) The Nucmf_UEcapability_Management service allows the NF consumer to resolve UE Radio Capability ID (either Manufacturer-assigned or PLMN-assigned) into the corresponding UE radio capabilities and the corresponding UE Radio Capability for Paging.
- 6) The Nucmf_UEcapability_Management service allows the NF consumer to obtain a PLMN-assigned UE Radio Capability ID for a specific UE radio capability.

1.5 UCMF Security Aspects

The following security aspects apply to UCMF:

a) SBI Interface Related:

The UCMF communicates with the AMF, NEF, and AF core network functions over the Nucmf service-based interface. To ensure both Network and SBA domain security, secure communications via the SBI interface is considered.

b) S17 interface Related:

The UCMF communicates with the MME of the 4G EPS over the S17 reference point based on the UE Radio Capability Management Protocol (URCMP). The security concerns of data transport and sensitive data over the S17 interface are addressed.

c) UCMF Database Related:

The UCMF stores a wide range of database that comprises sensitive data such as IMEI/TAC as well as UE radio capability IDs and corresponding mappings to UE radio capabilities that may exceed 65535 bytes. Secured storage/protection of this large size of data and mechanisms for ensuring proper functioning as well as high availability (e.g., for URLLC use case) of the UCMF data and avoidance of DoS in such cases are of utmost importance. The related database storage protection, integrity, availability and backup needs are addressed.

d) OAM Interface Related:

The UCMF may have interfaces with the Operations, Administration and Management (OAM) system to facilitate system administration and maintenance. Security aspects of the interface for OAM are also considered.

e) Security of Nucmf Provisioning API:

The security aspects related to the access of the Nucmf provisioning API as specified in the 3GPP TS 29.675 are addressed.

Chapter 2 - Common Security Requirements

Section 2.1: Access and Authorization

2.1.1 Authentication for Product Management and Maintenance interfaces

Requirement:

UCMF shall support mutual authentication of entities on management interfaces, the authentication mechanism can rely on the management protocols used for the interface or other means.

Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “Indian Telecom Security Assurance Requirements (ITSAR) for Cryptographic Controls shall only be used for UCMF management and maintenance.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.4.1]

2.1.2 Management Traffic Protection

Requirement:

UCMF management traffic (information exchanged during interactions with operations, administration, and Management (OAM)) shall be protected strictly using secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR For Cryptographic Controls” only.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.2.4]

2.1.3 Role-based access control policy

Requirement:

UCMF shall support Role-Based Access Control (RBAC). A role-based access control system uses a set of controls that determines how users interact with domains and resources. The RBAC system controls how users or groups of users are allowed access to the various domains (the domains could be Fault Management, Performance Management, System Admin, etc.) and what type of operations, they can perform, i.e., the specific operation command or command group (e.g., View, Modify, Execute). UCMF supports RBAC with a minimum of 3 user roles, in particular, for OAM privilege management for UCMF

Management and Maintenance, including authorization of the operation for configuration data and software via the network product console interface.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.6.2]

Note: The reference to Console interface may not be applicable here for Generalized Virtual Network Product (GVNP) Models of Type 1 & 2

2.1.4 User authentication - Local/Remote

Requirement:

The various user and machine accounts on a system shall be protected from misuse. To this end, an authentication attribute is typically used, which, when combined with the username, enables unambiguous authentication and identification of the authorized user.

Authentication attributes include

- a) Cryptographic keys
- b) Token
- c) Passwords

This means that authentication based on a parameter that can be spoofed (e. g. phone numbers, public IP addresses or Virtual Private Network (VPN) membership) is not permitted. Exceptions are attributes that cannot be faked or spoofed by an attacker. Minimum two of the above Authentication attributes shall be mandatorily combined for protecting all the accounts from misuse. An exception to this requirement is local access and machine accounts where at least one authentication attribute shall be supported.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.2.1]

2.1.5 Remote login restrictions for privileged users

Requirement:

Direct Login to UCMF as root or equivalent highest privileged user shall be limited to the system console only. Root user will not be allowed to login to UCMF remotely. This remote root user access restriction is also applicable to application software's / tools such as TeamViewer, desktop sharing which provide remote access to the UCMF.

Note: May not be applicable to GVNP Type-1

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.2.6]

2.1.6 Authorization Policy

Requirement:

The authorizations for accounts and applications shall be reduced to the minimum required for the tasks they have to perform.

Authorizations to a system shall be restricted to a level in which a user can only access data and use functions that he needs in the course of his work. Suitable authorizations shall also be assigned for access to files that are components of the operating system or of applications or that are generated by the same (e.g., configuration and logging files).

Alongside access to data, execution of applications and components shall also take place with rights that are as low as possible. Applications should not be executed with administrator or system rights.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.6.1]

2.1.7 Unambiguous identification of the user & group accounts

Requirement:

Users shall be identified unambiguously by the UCMF. UCMF shall support the assignment of individual accounts per user, where the user could be a person, or, for Machine Accounts, an application, or a system.

UCMF shall not enable the use of group accounts or group credentials, or sharing of the same account between several users.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.1.2]

Section 2.2: Authentication Attribute Management

2.2.1 Authentication Policy

Requirement:

The usage of a system function without successful authentication on the basis of the user identity and at least two authentication attributes shall be prevented. For machine accounts and local access, one authentication attribute will be sufficient. System functions comprise, for example network services (like Secure Shell (SSH), Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), Web services), local access via a management console, local usage of

operating system and applications. This requirement shall also be applied to accounts that are only used for communication between systems.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0 Section-4.2.3.4.1.1]

Note: The reference to 'Local accesses and Console' may not be applicable here for GVNP Models of Type 1 & 2.

2.2.2 Authentication Support - External

Requirement:

If the UCMF supports external authentication mechanism such as AAA server (for authentication, authorization, and accounting services), then the communication between UCMF and the external authentication entity shall be protected using the authentication and related service protocols built strictly using the Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document "ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls" only.

2.2.3 Protection against Brute Force and Dictionary Attacks

Requirement:

Protection against brute force and dictionary attacks that hinder authentication attribute (i.e., password) guessing shall be implemented in UCMF. Brute force and dictionary attacks aim to use automated guessing to ascertain authentication attributes for user and machine accounts.

Various measures or a combination of the following measures can be taken to prevent this:

- a) Using the timer delay (this delay could be the same or increased depending on the operator's policy for each attempt) for each newly entered password input following an incorrect entry ("tar pit").
- b) Blocking an account following a specified number of incorrect attempts. However, it has to be taken into account that this solution needs a process for unlocking and an attacker can force this to deactivate accounts and make them unusable.
- c) Using an authentication attribute blacklist to prevent vulnerable passwords.
- d) Using Completely Automated Public Turing test to tell Computers and Humans Apart (CAPTCHA) to prevent automated attempts (often used for Web applications).

In order to achieve higher security, two or more of the measures indicated above shall be mandatorily supported by the UCMF. An exception to this requirement is machine accounts.

2.2.4 Enforce Strong Password

Requirement:

- a) The configuration setting shall be such that UCMF shall only accept passwords that comply with the following complexity criteria:
 - i) Absolute Minimum length of 8 characters (shorter lengths shall be rejected by the UCMF). It shall not be possible setting this absolute minimum length to Absolute a lower value by configuration.
 - ii) Password shall mandatorily comprise all the following four categories of characters:
 - 1) At least 1 uppercase character (A-Z)
 - 2) At least 1 lowercase character (a-z)
 - 3) At least 1 digit (0-9)
 - 4) At least 1 special character (e.g., @, \$., etc.)
- b) The minimum length of characters in the passwords and the set of allowable special characters shall be configurable by the operator. The special characters may be categorized in sets according to their Unicode category.
- c) If a central system is used for user authentication password policy, then additional assurance shall be provided that the central system enforces the same password complexity rules as laid down for the local system in this sub-clause.
- d) If a central system is not used for user authentication, the assurance on password complexity rules shall be performed on the UCMF.
- e) When a user is changing a password or entering a new password, the UCMF /central system checks and ensures that it meets the password requirements. Above requirements shall be applicable for all passwords used (e.g., application-level, OS-level, etc.).
- f) Passwords shall not be stored in clear text in the system; passwords shall be salted and hashed.

2.2.5 Inactive Session Timeout

Requirement:

An OAM user interactive session shall be terminated automatically after a specified period of inactivity. It shall be possible to configure an inactivity time-out period. UCMF shall monitor inactive sessions of administrative login users and initiate session

locking mechanism based on pre-configured timers. Unlocking the session shall be permissible only by user authentication. If the inactivity period further continues for a defined period, session /user ID timeout must occur after this inactivity.

Reauthentication of the OAM user shall be repeated following any period of inactivity lasting 15 minutes or longer.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.5.2]

2.2.6 Password Changes

Requirement:

If a password is used as an authentication attribute, then the system shall offer a function that enables a user to change his password at any time. When an external centralized system for user authentication is used, it shall be possible to implement this function on this system.

Password change shall be enforced after initial login (after successful authentication).

The UCMF shall enforce password change based on password management policy. In particular, the system shall enforce password expiry. UCMF shall support a configurable period for expiry of passwords.

Previously used passwords shall not be allowed up to a certain number (Password History).

The number of disallowed previously used passwords shall be:

- a) Configurable;
- b) Greater than '0';
- c) And its minimum value shall be 3.

This means that the UCMF shall store at least the three previously set passwords. The maximum number of passwords that the UCMF can store for each user is up to the manufacturer.

When a password is about to expire, a password expiry notification shall be provided to the user.

Above requirements shall be applicable for all passwords used (e. g. application-level, OS-level, etc.). An exception to this requirement is machine accounts.

UCMF shall have an in-built mechanism to support this requirement.

If a central system is used for user authentication password policy, then additional assurance shall be provided that the central system enforces the same password change policies as laid down for the local system in this subclause.

And if a central system is not used for user authentication, the assurance on password changes rules shall be performed by the UCMF.

The minimum password age shall be set as one day i.e. recycling or flipping of passwords to immediate return to favorite password is not possible.

The password shall be changed (need not be automatic) based on the key events including, not limited to

- Indication of compromise (IoC)
- Change of user roles
- When a user leaves the organization.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.3.2

Ref [17]: CIS_Benchmarks_Password_Policy_Guide_v21.12.pdf]

2.2.7 Protected Authentication feedback

Requirement:

The Authentication attribute shall not be displayed in such a way that it could be seen and misused by a casual local observer. Typically, the individual characters of the password are replaced by a character such as "*". This requirement shall be applicable for all passwords used (e. g. application-level, OS-level, etc.)._An exception to this requirement is machine accounts.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.3.4]

2.2.8 Removal of predefined or default authentication attributes

Requirement:

Predefined or default authentication attributes shall be deleted or disabled. Normally, authentication attributes such as passwords or cryptographic keys will be preconfigured from producer, Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or developer of a system. Such authentication attributes shall be changed by automatically forcing a user to change it on 1st time login to the system or the OEM provides instructions on how to manually change it.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.2.3]

2.2.9 Logout function

Requirement:

The system shall have a function that allows a signed-in user to logout at any time. All processes under the logged-in user ID shall be terminated on logout. UCMF shall be able to continue to operate without interactive sessions.

Only for debugging purposes, processes under a logged-in user ID may be allowed to continue to run after detaching the interactive session.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.5.1]

2.2.10 Policy regarding consecutive failed login attempts

Requirement:

- a) The maximum permissible number of consecutive failed user account login attempts shall be configurable by the operator. The definition of the default value set at manufacturing time for the maximum number of failed user account login attempts shall be less than or equal to 8, typically 5. After the maximum permissible number of consecutive failed user account login attempts is exceeded by a user, there shall be a block delay in allowing the user to attempt login again. This block delay and the capability to set the period of the block delay, e.g., double the delay, or 5 minutes delay, or 10 minutes delay, after each login failure should be configurable by the operator. The default value set at manufacturing time for this delay shall be greater than or equal to 5 sec.
- b) If supported, infinite (permanent) locking of an account that has exceeded the maximum permissible number of consecutive failed user account login attempts shall also be possible via configuration, with the exception of administrative accounts, which shall get only temporarily locked.

[Ref [3]: TEC 25848:2022 /TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-16.7.0 V.1.0.0. Section-4.2.3.4.5]

2.2.11 Suspend accounts on non-use

Requirement:

It shall be possible for the system to automatically suspend an account after 'X' days without a valid login.

Note: X may be specified by operator. It can be implemented centrally also.

Section 2.3: Software Security

2.3.1 Secure Update

Requirement:

- a) Software package integrity shall be validated during the software update stage.
- b) UCMF shall support software package integrity validation via cryptographic means, e. g. digital signature using Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” only. To this end, the UCMF has a list of public keys or certificates of authorized software sources, and uses the keys to verify that the software update originated from only these sources.
- c) Tampered software shall not be executed or installed if integrity check fails.
- d) A security mechanism is required to guarantee that only authorized individuals can initiate and deploy a software update and modify the list mentioned in b) above.

Note: Code signing (valid and not time expired) is also allowed as an option in b) above.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.5]

2.3.2 Secure Upgrade

Requirement:

- a) Software package integrity shall be validated during the software upgrade stage.
- b) UCMF shall support software package integrity validation via cryptographic means, e. g. digital signature using Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” only. To this end, the UCMF has a list of public keys or certificates of authorized software sources, and uses the keys to verify that the software installation/update/upgrade originated from only these sources.
- c) Tampered software shall not be executed or installed if integrity check fails.
- d) A security mechanism is required to guarantee that only authorized individuals can initiate and deploy a software upgrade and modify the list mentioned in b) above.

Note: Code signing (valid and not time expired) is also allowed as an option in b) above.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.5]

2.3.3 Source Code Security Assurance

Requirement:

- a) OEM shall follow best security practices including secure coding for software development. Source code shall be made available either at Telecom Security Testing Laboratory (TSTL) premises or at the mutually agreed location for source code review by the designated TSTL. It may be supported by furnishing the Software Test Document (STD).
- b) Also, OEM shall submit the undertaking as below:
 - i) Industry standard best practices of secure coding have been followed during the entire software development life cycle of the UCMF software which includes OEM developed code, third party software and opensource code libraries used/embedded in the UCMF.
 - ii) The UCMF software shall be free from Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) top 25, Open Worldwide Application Security Project (OWASP) top 10 security vulnerabilities and OWASP top 10 API Security vulnerabilities as on the date of latest release of product or three months prior to the date of offer of product for testing, whichever is latest. For security weaknesses, vulnerabilities identified or discovered during the interim period, OEM shall give mitigation plan.
 - iii) The binaries for UCMF and upgrades/updates thereafter generated from the source code are free from all known security vulnerabilities stated in ii) above.

[Ref [4]: https://cwe.mitre.org/top25/archive/2022/2022_cwe_top25.html.

Ref [5]: <https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/>.

Ref [6]: <https://owasp.org/www-project-api-security/>.]

2.3.4 Known Malware and backdoor Check

Requirement:

OEM shall submit an undertaking stating that UCMF is free from all known malware and backdoors as on the date of offer of the UCMF to designated TSTL, for testing and shall submit their internal Malware Test Document (MTD) of the UCMF to the designated TSTL.

2.3.5 No unused software

Requirement:

Software components or parts of software which are not needed for operation or functionality of the UCMF shall not be present/configured.

Orphaned software components/packages shall not be present in the UCMF. OEM shall provide the list of software that are necessary for UCMF's operation. In addition, OEM shall furnish an undertaking as "UCMF does not contain software that is not used in the functionality of the UCMF."

[Ref [3]: TEC 25848:2022/ TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-16.7.0 V.1.0.0. Section-4.3.2.3]

2.3.6 Unnecessary Services Removal

Requirement:

UCMF shall only run protocol handlers and services which are needed for its operation, and which do not have any known security vulnerabilities. In particular, by default the following services shall be initially configured to be disabled on the UCMF by the vendor except if services are needed during deployment. In that case those services shall be disabled according to vendor's instructions after deployment is done. Disabled protocols may still need to be enabled for other reasons by the operators, e. g. remote diagnostics.

- a) File Transfer Protocol (FTP)
- b) Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP)
- c) Telnet
- d) rlogin, Rate Control Protocol (RCP), Remote Shell Protocol (RSH)
- e) HTTP
- f) Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) v1 and v2
- g) SSHv1
- h) Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) / User Datagram Protocol (UDP) Small Servers (Echo, Chargen, Discard and Daytime)
- i) Finger
- j) Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP) server
- k) Discovery protocols (Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP), Link Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP))
- l) IP Identification Service (Identd)
- m) Packet Assembler/Disassembler (PAD)
- n) Maintenance Operations Protocol (MOP)

Any other protocols, services that are vulnerable are also to be permanently disabled. Full documentation of required protocols and services (communication matrix) of the

UCMF and their purpose needs to be provided by the OEM as a prerequisite for the test case.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.2.1]

2.3.7 Restricting System Boot Source

Requirement:

The UCMF can boot only from the memory devices intended for this purpose.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section - 4.2.3.3.2]

Note: This may not be applicable here for GVNP Models of Type 1& 2.

2.3.8 Secure Time Synchronization

Requirement:

UCMF shall establish a secure communication channel through standard interface with the Network Time Protocol (NTP) / Precision Time Protocol (PTP) server as per appropriate TEC ER (essential requirement) document.

UCMF shall establish a secure communication channel strictly using Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” with NTP/PTP server.

[Ref [7]: RFC 8915 - Network Time Security for the Network Time Protocol (NTP).]

2.3.9 Restricted reachability of services

Requirement:

The UCMF shall restrict the reachability of services so that they can only be reached on interfaces meant for the purpose. On interfaces where services are active, the reachability should be limited to legitimate communication peers. This limitation shall be realized on the UCMF itself (without measures (e. g. firewall) at network side) according to the requirement detailed in section 2.7.1 Traffic Filtering.

Administrative services (e. g. Secured Shell (SSH), Hyper Text Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS), Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP)) shall be restricted to interfaces in the management plane to support separation of management traffic from user traffic.

2.3.10 Self Testing

Requirement:

The UCMF's cryptographic module shall perform power-up self-tests and conditional self-tests to ensure that the module is functioning properly. Power-up self-tests shall be performed when the cryptographic module is powered up during System bootup/Restart.

Conditional self-tests shall be performed when an applicable security function or operation is invoked (i.e., security functions for which self-tests are required). If a cryptographic module fails a self-test, the module shall enter an error state and output an error indicator via the status output interface. The cryptographic module shall not perform any cryptographic operations while in an error state.

Section 2.4: System Secure Execution Environment

2.4.1 No unused functions

Requirement:

Unused functions i.e. the software and hardware functions which are not needed for operation or functionality of the UCMF shall be permanently deactivated. Permanently means that they shall not be reactivated again after a UCMF system's reboot. If unused functions of software cannot be deleted or uninstalled individually as required in clause "2.3.5 No unused software" of the present document, such functions shall be deactivated in the configuration of UCMF permanently.

The list of hardware and software functions installed in the system shall match with the ones that have been mentioned and deemed necessary for the operation of the UCMF.

EXAMPLE: A debugging function in software which can be used for troubleshooting shall not be activated during normal operation of the UCMF.

Note: The reference to hardware may not be applicable here for GVNP Models of Type 1& 2.

2.4.2 No unsupported components

Requirement:

OEM shall ensure that the UCMF does not contain software and hardware components that are no longer supported by them or their 3rd Parties (e.g., vendor, producer or developer) including the opensource communities, such as components that have reached end-of-life or end-of-support. An undertaking in this regard shall be provided by OEM.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.2.5]

Note: The reference to hardware may not be applicable here for GVNP Models of Type 1& 2.

2.4.3 Avoidance of Unspecified mode of Access

Requirement:

UCMF shall not contain any access mechanism which is unspecified or not declared. An undertaking shall be given by the OEM as follows:

"The UCMF does not contain any wireless, optical, magnetic or any other component that may be used as a covert channel."

Section 2.5: User Audit

2.5.1 Audit trail storage and protection

Requirement:

The security event log shall be access controlled (file access rights), such that only privileged users have access to the log files.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.6.3]

2.5.2 Audit Event Generation

Requirement:

The UCMF shall log all important Security events with unique System Reference details as given in the table below:

UCMF shall record within each audit record at least information pertaining to date and time of the event, type of event, subject identity, protocol, service or program used for access, source and destination IP addresses & ports and the outcome (success or failure) of the event.

Additional audit record information, depending on the audit event, shall also be provided as given in the Table below:

Sr. No.	Event Types (Mandatory or Optional)	Description	Event data to be logged						
1.	Incorrect login attempts (Mandatory)	Records any user incorrect login attempts to UCMF	<table border="1"> <tr><td data-bbox="870 457 1414 520">Username</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 520 1414 583">Source (IP address) if remote access</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 583 1414 653">Outcome of event (Success or failure)</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 653 1414 726">Timestamp</td></tr> </table>	Username	Source (IP address) if remote access	Outcome of event (Success or failure)	Timestamp		
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Source (IP address) if remote access									
Outcome of event (Success or failure)									
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2.	Administrator access (Mandatory)	Records any access attempts to accounts that have system privileges.	<table border="1"> <tr><td data-bbox="870 726 1414 789">Username</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 789 1414 852">Timestamp</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 852 1414 915">Length of session</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 915 1414 978">Outcome of event (Success or failure)</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 978 1414 1041">Source (IP address) if remote access</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1041 1414 1125"></td></tr> </table>	Username	Timestamp	Length of session	Outcome of event (Success or failure)	Source (IP address) if remote access	
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Source (IP address) if remote access									
3.	Account administration (Mandatory)	Records all account administration activity, i.e., configure, delete, copy, enable, and disable.	<table border="1"> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1125 1414 1199">Administrator username</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1199 1414 1272">Administered account</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1272 1414 1398">Activity performed (configure, delete, enable and disable)</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1398 1414 1472">Outcome of event (Success or failure)</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1472 1414 1587">Timestamp</td></tr> </table>	Administrator username	Administered account	Activity performed (configure, delete, enable and disable)	Outcome of event (Success or failure)	Timestamp	
Administrator username									
Administered account									
Activity performed (configure, delete, enable and disable)									
Outcome of event (Success or failure)									
Timestamp									
4.	Resource Usage (Mandatory)	Records events that have been triggered when system parameter values such as disk space, CPU load over a longer period have	<table border="1"> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1587 1414 1650">Value exceeded</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1650 1414 1713">Value reached</td></tr> <tr><td data-bbox="870 1713 1414 1877">(Here suitable threshold values shall be defined depending on the individual system.)</td></tr> </table>	Value exceeded	Value reached	(Here suitable threshold values shall be defined depending on the individual system.)			
Value exceeded									
Value reached									
(Here suitable threshold values shall be defined depending on the individual system.)									

		exceeded their defined thresholds.	Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp
5.	Configuration change (Mandatory)	Changes to configuration of the UCMF	Change made
			Timestamp
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Username
6.	Reboot/shutdown/crash (Mandatory)	This event records any action on the network device/ UCMF that forces a reboot or shutdown OR where the network device/UCMF has crashed.	Action performed (boot, reboot, shutdown, etc.)
			Username (for intentional actions)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp
7.	Interface status change (Mandatory)	Change to the status of interfaces on the network device/UCMF (e.g., shutdown)	Interface name and type
			Status (shutdown, down, missing link, etc.)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp
8.	Change of group membership or accounts (Optional)	Any change of group membership for accounts	Administrator username
			Administered account
			Activity performed (group added or removed)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp

9.	Resetting Passwords (Optional)	Resetting of user account passwords by the Administrator	Administrator username
			Administered account
			Activity performed (configure, delete, enable and disable)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp
10.	Services (Optional)	Starting and Stopping of Services (if applicable)	Service Identity
			Activity performed (start, stop, etc.)
			Timestamp
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
11.	X.509 Certificate Validation (Optional)	Unsuccessful attempt to validate a certificate	Timestamp
			Reason for failure
			Subject identity
			Type of event
12.	Secure update (Optional)	Attempt to initiate manual update, initiation of update, completion of update	User identity
			Timestamp
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Activity performed
13.	Time change (Mandatory)	Change in time settings	Old value of time
			New value of time

			Timestamp
			Origin of attempt to change time (e.g. IP address)
			Subject identity
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			User identity
14.	Session unlocking /termination (Optional)	Any attempts at unlocking of an interactive session, termination of a remote session by the session locking mechanism, termination of an interactive session	User identity (wherever applicable)
			Timestamp
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Subject identity
			Activity performed
			Type of event
15.	Trusted Communication paths with IT entities such as Authentication Server, Audit Server, NTP Server, etc. and for authorized remote administrators (Optional)	Initiation, Termination and Failure of trusted Communication paths	Timestamp
			Initiator identity (as applicable)
			Target identity (as applicable)
			User identity (in case of Remote administrator access)
			Type of event
			Outcome of event (Success or failure, as applicable)
16.	Audit data changes	Changes to audit data	Timestamp

	(Optional)	including deletion of audit data	Type of event (audit data deletion, audit data modification)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Subject identity
			User identity
			Origin of attempt to change time (e.g. IP address)
			Details of data deleted or modified
17.	User Login and logoff (Mandatory)	All use of Identification and authentication mechanisms	User identity
			Origin of attempt (IP address)
			Outcome of event (Success or failure)
			Timestamp

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.6.1]

2.5.3 Secure Log Export

Requirement:

- a) UCMF shall support (near real time) forwarding of security event logging data to an external system available in redundant configuration by push or pull mechanism through diverse links.
- b) Log functions should support secure uploading of log files to a central location or to a system external for the UCMF.
- c) UCMF shall be able to store the generated audit data locally. The memory for this purpose shall be dimensioned to cater for the continuous storage of two days of audit data. OEM shall submit justification document for sufficiency of local storage requirement.
- d) Secure Log export shall comply with the secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document "ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls" only.

2.5.4 Logging access to personal data

Requirement:

In some cases, access to personal data in clear text might be required. If such access is required, access to this data shall be logged, and the log shall contain who accessed what data without revealing personal data in clear text. When for practical purposes, such logging is not available, a coarser grain logging is allowed.

In some cases, the personal data stored in the log files may allow the direct identification of a subscriber. In such cases, the revealed personal information may not expose the subscriber to any kind of privacy violation.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.2.5]

Section 2.6: Data Protection

2.6.1 Cryptographic Based Secure Communication

Requirement:

UCMF shall communicate with the connected entities strictly using the secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document "ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls" only.

OEM shall submit to TSTL, the list of the connected entities with the UCMF and the method of secure communication, with details of interface, protocol stack implemented, configuration, detailed procedure of establishing communication with each entity and any other details required for verifying this requirement.

2.6.2 Cryptographic Module Security Assurance

Requirement:

Cryptographic module embedded inside the UCMF (in the form of hardware, software or firmware) that provides all the necessary security services such as authentication, integrity and confidentiality is designed and implemented in compliance with FIPS 140-2 or later as prescribed by NIST standards. Till further instructions, this clause will be considered 'complied' by submission of an undertaking by the OEM in specified format along with self-certified test reports.

An undertaking is to be submitted by the OEM mentioning that “Cryptographic module embedded inside the UCMF (in the form of hardware, software or firmware) that provides all the necessary security services such as authentication, integrity and confidentiality is designed and implemented in compliance with FIPS 140-2 or later as prescribed by NIST standards.”

[Ref [8]: <https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/FIPS/NIST.FIPS.140-2.pdf>.

Ref [20]: ENISA Recommendation “Standardization in support of the cybersecurity certification”, Dec 2019.]

2.6.3 Cryptographic Algorithms implementation Security Assurance

Requirement:

Cryptographic algorithm implemented inside the Crypto module of UCMF shall be in compliance with the respective latest FIPS standards (for the specific crypto algorithm).

Till further instructions, this clause will be considered ‘complied’ by submission of an undertaking by the OEM in specified format along with self-certified test reports.

An undertaking is to be submitted by the OEM mentioning that “Cryptographic algorithms implemented inside the Crypto module of UCMF are in compliance with the respective latest FIPS standards (for the specific crypto algorithm embedded inside the UCMF).”

2.6.4 Protecting data and information – Confidential System Internal Data

Requirement:

- a) When UCMF is in normal operational mode (i.e., not in maintenance mode), there shall be no system function that reveals confidential system internal data in the clear text to users and administrators.

Such functions could be, for example, local or remote OAM CLI or GUI, logging messages, alarms, configuration file exports etc. Confidential system internal data contains authentication data (i.e., PINs, cryptographic keys, passwords, cookies) as well as system internal data that is not required for systems administration.

- b) Access to maintenance mode shall be restricted only to authorized privileged users.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.2.2.]

2.6.5 Protecting data and information in storage

Requirement:

- a) For sensitive data (persistent or temporary) in storage, read access rights shall be restricted. Sensitive files of the UCMF system that are needed for the functionality shall be protected against manipulation strictly using the Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” with appropriate non-repudiation controls.
- b) In addition, the following rules apply for:
 - i) Systems that need access to identification and authentication data in the clear/readable form e.g. in order to perform an activity/operation. Such systems shall not store this data in the clear/readable form, but scramble or encrypt it by implementation-specific means.
 - ii) Systems that do not need access to sensitive data (e.g. user passwords) in the clear. Such systems shall hash this sensitive data strictly using the cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” only.
 - iii) Stored files in the UCMF Shall be protected against manipulation strictly using Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” only.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section- 4.2.3.2.3]

2.6.6 Protection against Copy of Data

Requirement:

- a) Without authentication and authorization and except for specified purposes, UCMF shall not create a copy of data in use or data in transit.
 - b) Protective measures should exist against use of available system functions / software residing in the UCMF to create a copy of data for illegal transmission.
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2.6.7 Protection against Data Exfiltration - Overt Channel

Requirement:

- a) UCMF shall have mechanisms to prevent data exfiltration attacks for theft of data in use and data in transit (within its boundary).

- b) Establishment of outbound overt channels such as, HTTPS, Instant Messaging (IM), Peer-to-peer (P2P), Email etc. are to be forbidden if they are auto-initiated by /auto-originated from the UCMF.
 - c) Session logs shall be generated for establishment of any session initiated by either user or UCMF.
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2.6.8 Protection against Data Exfiltration - Covert Channel

Requirement:

- a) UCMF shall have mechanisms to prevent data exfiltration attacks for theft of data in use and data in transit.
 - b) Establishment of outbound covert channels and tunnels such as Domain Name System (DNS) Tunnel, HTTPS Tunnel, Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Tunnel, Transport Layer Security (TLS), Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), Secured Shell (SSH), Internet Protocol Security (IPsec), Virtual Private Network (VPN), Real-time Transfer Protocol (RTP) Encapsulation etc. are to be forbidden if they are auto-initiated by / auto-originated from the UCMF.
 - c) Session logs shall be generated for establishment of any session initiated by either user or UCMF system.
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2.6.9 System Robustness against Unexpected Input

Requirement:

During transmission of data to a system, it is necessary to validate input to the UCMF, before processing. This includes all data which is sent to the system. Examples of these are user input, inputs from UCMF's NF consumers viz. AMF, NEF and AF, values in arrays and content in protocols. The following typical implementation error shall be avoided:

- a) No validation on the lengths of transferred data
- b) Incorrect assumptions about data formats
- c) No validation that received data complies with the specification
- d) Insufficient handling of protocol errors in received data
- e) Insufficient restriction on recursion when parsing complex data formats
- f) White listing or escaping for inputs outside the values margin.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.4]

2.6.10 Security of Backup Data

Requirement:

UCMF shall support mechanisms for taking backup of sensitive data, configuration and log files. An effective back up strategy shall be in place and documented.

Ref [16]: “Security Guidance for 5G Cloud Infrastructure”, Data Protection by NSA & CISA, Part III]

2.6.11 Secure Deletion of Sensitive Data

Requirement:

UCMF shall support secure deletion of sensitive data by authorized users in such a manner that it cannot be recovered through any forensic means.”

Section 2.7: Network Services

2.7.1 Traffic Filtering – Network Level Requirement

Requirement:

UCMF shall provide a mechanism to filter incoming IP packets on any interface (Refer to RFC 3871)

In particular the UCMF shall provide a mechanism:

- a) To filter incoming IP packets on any IP interface at Network Layer and Transport Layer of the stack ISO/Open Systems Interconnection (OSI).
- b) To allow specified actions to be taken when a filter rule matches. In particular at least the following actions should be supported:
 - i) Discard/Drop: the matching message is discarded; no subsequent rules are applied and no answer is sent back.
 - ii) Accept: the matching message is accepted.
 - iii) Account: the matching message is accounted for i.e., a counter for the rule is incremented. This action can be combined with the previous ones. This feature is useful to monitor traffic before its blocking.
- c) To enable/disable for each rule the logging for Dropped packets, i.e., details on messages matching the rule for troubleshooting.
- d) To filter on the basis of the value(s) of source IP, destination IP and port addresses of the protocol header.
- e) To reset the accounting.
- f) UCMF shall provide a mechanism to disable/enable each defined rule.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section- 4.2.6.2.1]

2.7.2 Traffic Separation

Requirement:

The UCMF shall support the physical or logical separation of traffic belonging to different network domains. For example, OAM traffic and control plane traffic belong to different network domains. Refer to RFC 3871 for further information.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.5.1

Ref [11]: RFC 3871 - Operational Security Requirements for Large Internet Service Provider (ISP) IP Network Infrastructure]

2.7.3 Traffic Protection – Anti-Spoofing

Requirement:

UCMF shall not process IP packets if their source address is not reachable via the incoming interface. Implementation example: Use of "Reverse Path Filter" (RPF) provides this function.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section- 4.3.3.1.1]

Section 2.8: Attack Prevention Mechanisms

2.8.1 Overload Situations

Requirement:

UCMF shall have protection mechanisms against Network level and Application-level Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attacks.

UCMF shall provide security measures to deal with overload situations which may occur as a result of a denial-of-service attack or during periods of increased traffic. In particular, partial or complete impairment of system availability shall be avoided.

Potential protective measures may include:

- a) Restricting available RAM per application
- b) Restricting maximum sessions for a Web application
- c) Defining the maximum size of a dataset
- d) Restricting Central Processing Unit (CPU) resources per process
- e) Prioritizing processes

- f) Limiting amount or size of transactions of an user or from an IP address in a specific time range
- g) Limiting amount or size of transactions to an IP address/Port Address in a specific time range

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.1]

2.8.2 Excessive Overload Protection

Requirement:

The UCMF shall act in a predictable way if an overload situation cannot be prevented. UCMF shall be built in such a way that it can react to an overload situation in a controlled way.

However, it is possible that a situation happens where the security measures are no longer sufficient. In such a case it shall be ensured that UCMF cannot reach an undefined and thus potentially insecure, state. In an extreme case this means that a controlled system shutdown is preferable to uncontrolled failure of the security functions and thus loss of system protection.

OEM shall provide a technical description of the UCMF's Over Load Control mechanisms. (Especially whether these mechanisms rely on cooperation of other network elements e. g. RAN)

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.3]

2.8.3 Interface Robustness Requirements

Requirement:

UCMF shall not be affected in its availability or robustness by incoming packets, from other network elements, that are manipulated or differing the norm. This means that appropriate packets shall be detected as invalid and be discarded. The process shall not be affecting the performance of UCMF. This robustness shall be just as effective for a great mass of invalid packets as for individual or a small number of packets.

Examples of such packets are:

- a) Mass-produced TCP packets with a set Synchronize (SYN) flag to produce half-open TCP connections (SYN flooding attack).
- b) Packets with the same IP sender address and IP recipient address (Land attack).

- c) Mass-produced ICMP packets with the broadcast address of a network as target address (Smurf attack).
- d) Fragmented IP packets with overlapping offset fields (Teardrop attack).
- e) ICMP packets that are larger than the maximum permitted size (65,535 Bytes) of IP version 4 (IPv4) packets (Ping-of-death attack).
- f) Uncorrelated reply packets (i.e., packets which cannot be correlated to any request).

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.6.2.2]

Note: This clause may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1.

Section 2.9: Vulnerability Testing Requirements

2.9.1 Fuzzing – Network and Application Level

Requirement:

It shall be ensured that externally reachable services of UCMF are reasonably robust when receiving unexpected input.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.4.4]

2.9.2 Port Scanning

Requirement:

It shall be ensured that on all network interfaces of UCMF, only documented ports on the transport layer respond to requests from outside the system.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.4.2]

2.9.3 Vulnerability Scanning

Requirement:

The purpose of vulnerability scanning is to ensure that there are no known vulnerabilities (or that relevant vulnerabilities are identified and remediation plans in place to mitigate them) on the Network Product, both in the OS and in the applications installed, that can be detected by means of automatic testing tools via the Internet Protocol enabled network interfaces.

The vulnerabilities found during the Vulnerability Scanning/Assessment process shall be remediated as below. For other than critical vulnerabilities, OEM shall provide a remediation plan.

Sl No	CVSS Score	Severity	Remediation
1	9.0 - 10.0	Critical	To be patched immediately
2	7.0 - 8.9	High	To be patched within a month
3	4.0 - 6.9	Medium	To be patched within three months
4	0.1 - 3.9	Low	To be patched within a year

Zero-day vulnerabilities shall be remediated immediately or as soon as possible.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.4.3

Ref [9]: <https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln-metrics/cvss>

Ref [19]: Reference Architecture]

Section 2.10: Operating System

2.10.1 Growing Content Handling

Requirement:

- a) Growing or dynamic content shall not influence system functions.
- b) A file system that reaches its maximum capacity shall lead to an event getting logged with appropriate message parameters and shall not stop the UCMF from operating properly. Therefore, counter measures shall be taken to ensure that this scenario is avoided. The countermeasures are usage of dedicated filesystems, separated from main system functions, or quotas, or at least a file system monitoring.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.4.1.1.1]

2.10.2 Handling of ICMP

Requirement:

Processing of Internet Control Message Protocol version 4 (ICMPv4) and ICMPv6 packets which are not required for operation shall be disabled on the UCMF.

In particular, there are certain types of ICMP4 and ICMPv6 that are not used in most networks, but represent a risk.

ICMP message types which on receipt lead to responses or to configuration changes are not mentioned in this requirement, but they may be necessary to support relevant and specified networking features. Those must be documented.

Certain ICMP types are generally permitted and do not need to be specifically documented. Those are marked as "Permitted" in the table below.

UCMF shall not send certain ICMP types by default but it may support the option to enable utilization of these types (e.g. for debugging) which are marked as "Optional" in below table:

Type (IPv4)	Type (IPv6)	Description	Send	Respond to
0	128	Echo Reply	Optional (i.e. as automatic reply to "Echo Request")	N/A
3	1	Destination Unreachable	Permitted	N/A
8	129	Echo Request	Permitted	Optional
11	3	Time Exceeded	Optional	N/A
12	4	Parameter Problem	Permitted	N/A
N/A	2	Packet Too Big	Permitted	N/A
N/A	135	Neighbor Solicitation	Permitted	Permitted
N/A	136	Neighbor Advertisement	Permitted	N/A

The UCMF shall not respond to, or process (i.e., do changes to configuration) under any circumstances certain ICMP message types as marked in the below table.

Type (IPv4)	Type (IPv6)	Description	Send	Respond to	Process (i.e. do changes to configuration)
5	137	Redirect	N/A	N/A	Not Permitted
13	N/A	Timestamp	N/A	Not Permitted	N/A
14	N/A	Timestamp Reply	Not Permitted (i.e. as automatic reply to "Timestamp")	N/A	N/A
N/A	133	Router Solicitation	N/A	Not Permitted	Not Permitted
N/A	134	Router Advertisement	N/A	N/A	Not Permitted

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.4.1.1.2.]

2.10.3 Authenticated Privilege Escalation only

Requirement:

UCMF shall not support privilege escalation method in interactive sessions (both Command Line Interface (CLI) and Graphical User Interface (GUI)), which allows a user to gain administrator/root privileges from another user account without re-authentication.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.4.1.2.1]

2.10.4 System Account Identification

Requirement:

Each system user account in UCMF shall have a unique User ID (UID)) with appropriate non-repudiation controls.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.4.2.2]

2.10.5 OS Hardening - Minimized Kernel Network Functions

Requirement:

Kernel based network functions not needed for the operation of the network element shall be deactivated.

In particular the following ones shall be disabled by default:

- 1) IP Packet Forwarding between different interfaces of the network product.
- 2) Proxy Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) (to prevent resource exhaustion attack and man-in-the-middle attacks)
- 3) Directed broadcast (to prevent attacks like Smurf, Denial of Service etc.)
- 4) IPv4 Multicast handling. In particular all packets with IP source or destination address belonging to the multicast IP ranges (224.0.0.0 through 239.255.255.255) shall be discarded by default and multicast route caching and forwarding shall be disabled to prevent smurf and fraggle attacks. A configuration option shall be available to enable the IPv4 multicast handling if required.
- 5) Gratuitous ARP messages (to prevent ARP Cache Poisoning attacks)

[Ref [3]: TEC 25848:2022 /TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-16.7.0 V.1.0.0. Section-4.3.3.1.2]

Note: This clause may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1.

2.10.6 No Automatic Launch of Removable Media

Requirement:

The UCMF shall not automatically launch any application when a removable media device such as Compact Disk (CD), Digital Versatile Disk (DVD), Universal Serial Bus (USB)-Sticks or USB-Storage drive is connected. If the operating system supports an automatic launch, it shall be deactivated unless it is required to support availability requirements.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.3.1.3]

Note: This clause may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1 and 2.

2.10.7 Protection from Buffer Overflows

Requirement:

The UCMF shall support mechanisms for buffer overflow protection. Documentation which describes these buffer overflow mechanisms and also how to check that they have been enabled and/or implemented shall be provided by OEM.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.3.1.5]

2.10.8 External File System Mount Restrictions

Requirement:

If normal users are allowed to mount external file systems (attached locally or via the network), OS-level restrictions shall be set properly in the UCMF, in order to prevent privilege escalation or extended access permissions due to the contents of the mounted file systems. OS-level restrictions shall apply to normal users against mount/use of removable media devices (e.g. USB drive, CD ROM etc.) for data transfer.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.3.1.6]

Note: This clause may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1 and 2.

2.10.9 File-System Authorization Privileges

Requirement:

The UCMF shall be designed to ensure that only users that are authorized to modify files, data, directories or file systems have the necessary privileges to do so.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.2.7]

2.10.10 SYN Flood Prevention

Requirement:

The UCMF shall support a mechanism to prevent Syn Flood attacks. This feature shall be enabled by default.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.3.1.4]

2.10.11 Handling of IP options and extensions

Requirement:

IP packets with unnecessary options or extension headers shall not be processed. IP options and extension headers (e.g., source routing) are only required in exceptional cases. So, all packets with enabled IP options or extension headers shall be filtered.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.4.1.1.3]

2.10.12 Restrictions on running Scripts / Batch-processes

Requirement:

Scheduled tasks for carrying out the activities such as taking the backups, monitoring disk space and system maintenance activities shall be executed by the privileged user such as administrator only. Similarly, UCMF shall have feature to restrict Scripts / Batch-processes / Macros usage among various users. It shall be possible to administratively configure scheduled tasks usage i.e., Cron-Job usage (permit / deny) among various users like Normal users and privileged users.

2.10.13 Restrictions on Soft-Restart

Requirement:

The UCMF shall restrict software-based system restart options usage among various users. The software reset/restart either through command or use of key-combinations like CTRL+ALT+DEL is not available to normal users for prevention of unintended / malicious trigger of system reset / restart.

Note: Hardware based restart may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1 and 2.

Section 2.11: Web Servers

This entire section of the security requirements is applicable if the UCMF supports web management interface.

2.11.1 HTTPS

Requirement:

The communication between UCMF Web client and the UCMF Web server shall be protected by strictly using the Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document "ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls" only.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.5.1]

2.11.2 Webserver Logging

Requirement:

Access to the webserver (for both successful as well as failed attempts) shall be logged by UCMF.

The web server log shall contain the following information:

- a) Access timestamp
- b) Source (IP address)
- c) Account (if known)
- d) Attempted login name (if the associated account does not exist)
- e) Relevant fields in http request. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) should be included whenever possible.
- f) Status code of web server response

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.5.2]

2.11.3 HTTPS input validation

Requirement:

The UCMF web server shall have a mechanism in place to ensure that web application inputs are not vulnerable to command injection or cross-site scripting attacks.

The UCMF web server shall validate, filter, escape, and encode user-controllable input before it is placed in output that is used as a web page that is served to other users.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.5.4]

2.11.4 No System Privileges

Requirement:

No UCMF web server processes shall run with system privileges. If a process is started by a user with system privileges, execution shall be transferred to a different user without system privileges after the start.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section- 4.3.4.2]

2.11.5 No Unused HTTPS Methods

Requirement:

HTTPS methods that are not required for the UCMF operation shall be deactivated.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.3]

2.11.6 No Unused Add-Ons

Requirement:

All optional add-ons and components of the web server shall be deactivated if they are not required for the UCMF operation.

In particular, Common Gateway Interface (CGI) or other scripting components, Server Side Includes (SSI), and Web based Distributed Authoring and Versioning (WebDAV) shall be deactivated if they are not required.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.4]

2.11.7 No Compiler, Interpreter, or Shell via CGI or other Server-Side Scripting

Requirement:

If CGI or other scripting technology is used, the CGI directory or other corresponding scripting directory shall not include compilers or interpreters.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.5]

2.11.8 No CGI or other Scripting for Uploads

Requirement:

If CGI or other scripting technology is used, the associated CGI/script directory shall not be used for uploads.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section- 4.3.4.6]

2.11.9 No Execution of System Commands with SSI

Requirement:

If SSI is active, the execution of system commands shall be deactivated.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.7]

2.11.10 Access Rights for Web Server Configuration

Requirement:

Access rights for UCMF web server configuration files shall only be granted to the owner of the web server process or to a user with system privileges. Implementation example: Delete "read" and "write" access rights for "others." Only grant "write" access to the user who configures the web server.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.8]

2.11.11 No Default Content

Requirement:

Default content (examples, help files, documentation, aliases) that is provided with the standard installation of the UCMF web server shall be removed.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.9]

2.11.12 No Directory Listings

Requirement:

Directory listings (indexing) / "Directory browsing" shall be deactivated.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.10]

2.11.13 Web Server Information in HTTPS Headers

Requirement:

The HTTPS header shall not include information on the version of the UCMF web server and the modules/add-ons used.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.11]

2.11.14 Web Server information in Error Pages

Requirement:

User-defined error pages and Error messages shall not include version information and other internal information about the UCMF web server and the modules/add-ons used.

Error messages shall not include internal information such as internal server names, error codes, etc. Default error pages of the UCMF web server shall be replaced by error pages defined by the OEM.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.12]

2.11.15 Minimized File Type Mappings

Requirement:

File type or script-mappings that are not required for the UCMF operation shall be deleted e.g., php, phtml, js, sh, csh, bin, exe, pl, vbe, vbs.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.13]

2.11.16 Restricted File Access

Requirement:

Restrictive access rights shall be assigned to all files which are directly or indirectly (e.g. via links or in virtual directories) reside in the UCMF's web server's document directory.

In particular, the UCMF web server shall not be able to access files which are not meant to be delivered.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.4.14]

2.11.17 HTTP User Sessions

Requirement:

To protect user sessions, the UCMF web server shall support the following session ID and session cookie requirements:

- 1) The session ID shall uniquely identify the user and distinguish the session from all other active sessions.
- 2) The session ID shall be unpredictable.
- 3) The session ID shall not contain sensitive information in clear text (e.g. account number, social security, etc.).
- 4) In addition to the Session Idle Timeout, the UCMF web server shall automatically terminate sessions after a configurable maximum lifetime. This maximum lifetime defines the maximum session span. When the maximum lifetime expires, the session shall be closed, the session ID shall be deleted and the user shall be forced to

(re)authenticate in the web application and to establish a new session. The default value for this maximum lifetime shall be set to 8 hours.

- 5) Session IDs shall be regenerated for each new session (e.g., each time a user logs in).
- 6) The session ID shall not be reused or renewed in subsequent sessions.
- 7) The UCMF shall not use persistent cookies to manage sessions but only session cookies. This means that neither the "expire" nor the "max-age" attribute shall be set in the cookies.
- 8) Where session cookies are used, the attribute 'HttpOnly' shall be set to true.
- 9) Where session cookies are used, the 'domain' attribute shall be set to ensure that the cookie can only be sent to the specified domain.
- 10) Where session cookies are used the 'path' attribute shall be set to ensure that the cookie can only be sent to the specified directory or sub-directory.
- 11) UCMF shall not accept session identifiers from GET/POST variables.
- 12) UCMF shall be configured to only accept server generated session ID's.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.2.5.3]

Section 2.12: General SBA/SBI Aspects

This general baseline requirements are applicable to all Network Functions (NFs) within the 5G Core (5GC) utilizing Service-Based Interfaces (SBI), independent of a specific network product class.

2.12.1 No Code Execution or Inclusion of External Resources by JSON parsers

Requirement:

Parsers used by UCMF shall not execute JavaScript or any other code contained in JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) objects received on Service Based Interfaces (SBI). Further, these parsers shall not include any resources external to the received JSON object itself, such as files from the UCMF's filesystem or other resources loaded externally.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.6.2]

2.12.2 Validation of the unique key values in Information Elements (IEs)

Requirement:

For data structures, where values are accessible using names (sometimes referred to as keys), e.g., a JSON object, the name shall be unique. The occurrence of the same name (or key) twice within such a structure shall be an error and the message shall be rejected.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.6.3]

2.12.3 Validation of the IEs limits

Requirement:

The valid format and range of values for each Information element (IE) e.g. QoS setup parameters, user identifiers, when applicable, shall be defined unambiguously:

- 1) For each message, the number of leaf IEs shall not exceed 16000.
- 2) The maximum size of the JSON body of any HTTP request shall not exceed 16 million bytes.
- 3) The maximum nesting depth of leaves shall not exceed 32.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.6.4]

Ref [68]: 3GPP TS 29.501 V 17.1.0, 5G System; Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition; Stage 3, Section 6.2]

2.12.4 Protection at the Transport Layer

Requirement:

NF Service Request and Response procedure shall support mutual authentication between NF consumer and NF producer.

All network functions shall support TLS 1.2 or above. Network functions shall support both server-side and client-side certificates. Authentication between network functions within one PLMN can use the following method: -

If the PLMN uses protection at the transport layer, authentication provided by the transport layer protection solution shall be used for authentication between NFs.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.2.2.2]

2.12.5 Authorization Token Verification Failure Handling within one PLMN

Requirement:

The NF Service producer shall verify the access token as follows:

- a) The NF Service producer ensures the integrity of the access token by verifying the signature using NRF's public key or checking the Medium Access Control (MAC) value using the shared secret. If integrity check is successful, the NF Service producer shall verify the claims in the access token as follows:
- b) It checks that the audience claim in the access token matches its own identity or the type of NF service producer. If a list of NSSAIs or list of Network Slice Instance (NSI) IDs is present, the NF service producer shall check that it serves the corresponding slice(s).
- c) If an NF Set ID is present, the NF Service Producer shall check the NF Set ID in the claim matches its own NF Set ID.
- d) If the access token contains "additional scope" information (i.e., allowed resources and allowed actions (service operations) on the resources), it checks that the additional scope matches the requested service operation.
- e) If scope is present, it checks that the scope matches the requested service operation.
- f) It checks that the access token has not expired by verifying the expiration time in the access token against the current data/time.

If the verification is successful, the NF Service producer shall execute the requested service and respond back to the NF Service consumer. Otherwise, it shall reply based on the OAuth 2.0 error response defined in RFC 6749. The NF service consumer may store the received token(s). Stored tokens may be re-used for accessing service(s) from producer NF type listed in claims (scope, audience) during their validity time.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.2.2.3.1.

Ref [15]: RFC 6749 OAuth 2.0 IETF, October 2012, The OAuth 2.1 Authorization Framework, 2023.]

2.12.6 Protection against JSON Injection Attacks

Requirement:

NF Service Consumers communicate using JSON on the service based interfaces with UCMF.

The UCMF shall never use the eval function to evaluate JSON data to prevent client-side JSON injections. UCMF shall sanitize all data before serializing it to JSON, to prevent server-side JSON injections.

[Ref [21]: ENISA THREAT LANDSCAPE FOR 5G NETWORKS, December 2020]

Section 2.13: Other Security Requirements

2.13.1 Remote Diagnostic Procedure – Verification

Requirement:

If the UCMF is providing Remote access for troubleshooting purposes/alarm maintenance then it shall be allowed only for authorized users, other than the root user.

All activities performed by the remote user are to be logged with the following parameters:

- a) User id
- b) Time stamp
- c) Interface type
- d) Event Type
- e) Command/activity performed
- f) Result type (e.g., SUCCESS, FAILURE).
- g) IP Address of remote machine

[Ref [69]: GSMA 133: GSM Association Non-confidential Official Document NG.133 - Cloud Infrastructure Reference Architecture managed by OpenStack, section:2.2.7.7]

2.13.2 No System Password Recovery

Requirement:

No provision shall exist for the UCMF System / Root password recovery.

2.13.3 Secure System Software Revocation

Requirement:

Once the UCMF software image is legally updated/upgraded with New Software Image, it shall not be possible to roll back to a previous software image. In case roll back is essential, it shall be done only by the administrator with appropriate non-repudiation controls.

The UCMF shall support a well-established control mechanism for rolling back to previous software image.

2.13.4 Software Integrity Check- Installation

Requirement:

UCMF shall validate the software package integrity before the installation/upgrade stage strictly using the Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls” only.

Tampered software shall not be executed or installed if integrity check fails.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.3.5]

2.13.5 Software Integrity Check - Boot

Requirement:

The UCMF shall verify the integrity of a software component by comparing the result of a measurement of the component, typically a standard cryptographic hash generated strictly using the Secure cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document “ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls”, to the expected reference value.

Note: This may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1 and Type 2.

2.13.6 Unused Physical and Logical Interfaces Disabling

Requirement:

The UCMF shall support the mechanism to verify both the physical and logical interfaces exist in the product.

Physical and logical accessible interfaces (except console interface) which are not under use shall be disabled so that they remain inactive even in the event of reboot.

Note: This may not be applicable for GVNP Type 1 and Type 2.

2.13.7 Predefined accounts shall be deleted or disabled

Requirement:

Predefined or default user accounts (other than Admin/Root) in UCMF shall be deleted or disabled.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.2.2]

2.13.8 Correct Handling of Client Credentials Assertion Validation Failure

Requirement:

"The verification of the Client credentials assertion shall be performed by the receiving node, i.e., NRF or NF Service Producer in the following way:

- a) It validates the signature of the JSON Web Signature (JWS) as described in RFC 7515.
- b) It validates the timestamp (iat) and/or the expiration time (exp) as specified in RFC 7519. If the receiving node is the NF Service Producer, the NF service Producer validates the expiration time and it may validate the timestamp.
- c) It checks that the audience claim in the client credentials assertion matches its own type.

It verifies that the NF instance ID in the client credentials assertion matches the NF instance ID in the public key certificate used for signing the assertion".

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.0.0. Section-4.2.2.2.4.1

Ref [13]: RFC 7515 JSON Web Signature (JWS)

Ref [14]: RFC 7519 JSON Web Token (JWT)]

Note: Not applicable to Release 16 implementation

2.13.9 Isolation of Compromised Element

Requirement:

"In case of any compromise of UCMF, it shall be possible to isolate the network Function at network and/or compute/storage level. Such provisions shall be documented."

[Ref [18]: ENISA SECURITY IN 5G SPECIFICATIONS, Controls in 3GPP Security Specifications (5G SA) FEBRUARY 2021 Section-4.1.3]

Chapter 3 - UCMF Specific Security Requirements

3.1 Secure Communication over the S17 reference point based on the URCMP protocol

Requirement:

For secure communication between the UCMF and the Mobility Management Function (MME) of the 4G EPS (Non SBI Interfaces) over the S17 reference point, the following shall apply:

- 1) For the protection of the S17 interface, Network Domain Security for IP based Protocol (NDS/IP) shall be applied.
- 2) For the NDS/IP network, the IPsec security protocol shall be Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP).
- 3) Integrity protection/message authentication together with anti-replay protection shall be used.
- 4) The key management and distribution shall be handled by the protocol, Internet Key Exchange (IKEv2).
- 5) Usage guidance for the Implementation of Cryptographic Algorithm for ESP shall follow RFC-8221.

[Ref [61]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP TS 33.401-V17.4.0, 3GPP System Architecture Evolution (SAE) Security Architecture, Release 17; Section 11.

Ref [47]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP TS 33.210, V17.1.0 Network Domain Security; IP layer security: Section 5.1, Section 5.3.1 and Section 5.4.

Ref [55]: RFC-4303: "IP Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)", S. Kent, BBN Technologies, December 2005.

Ref [56]: IETF RFC 7296: "Internet Key Exchange Protocol Version 2 (IKEv2)".

Ref [62]: IETF RFC 8221:" <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8221>".

3.2 UCMF Database related Specific Security Requirements

3.2.1 Removal of Default Accounts in database

Requirement:

All default and anonymous accounts (e.g., test@localhost) that are not intended for normal operation of UCMF database shall be deleted.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.4.2.2]

3.2.2 Removal of default database

Requirement:

Default databases such as test, that are not required for normal operation of UCMF databases shall be deleted.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.3GPP 33.117-17.1.0 V.1.1.0. Section-4.3.2.3]

3.2.3 Protection of UCMF Database

Requirement:

UCMF database shall be protected as per TSDSI STD T1.33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section 4.2.3.2.3. and wherever encryption/hashing is mandated it shall be as per cryptographic controls prescribed in Table 1 of the latest document "ITSAR for Cryptographic Controls".

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section 4.2.3.2.3]

3.2.4 UCMF Database specific logging

Requirement:

- a) Security events related to following database events shall be logged together with a unique reference (e. g. database name, user ID accessing the database) and the exact time the incident occurred.
 - i) Database Management Server Login (success or error) events
 - ii) Attempted/executed database statements/queries
- b) Information available in the logs about authentication attributes shall be masked.
- c) UCMF shall support real time forwarding of security event logging data to an external system. Secure transport protocols shall be used in accordance with section 2.1.2 of the current document.
- d) Log functions should support secure uploading of log files to a central location or to an external system for the UCMF database that is logging.

[Ref [3]: TSDSI STD T1.33.117-17.1.0 V1.1.0. Section-4.2.3.6]

3.2.5 Protection from attacks

Requirement:

- a) UCMF Database shall be protected from database injection attacks.
- b) Port used by the database service shall not be accessed by unauthorized entities. UCMF database shall use a different port other than the default port for its connections.
- c) UCMF Database shall recover securely from corruption, loss or damage.

- d) Database systems shall provide security measures to deal with overload situations which may occur as a result of a denial-of-service attack during periods of increased traffic. In particular, partial or complete impairment of system availability shall be avoided.
- e) Potential protective measures shall include, but not limited, to the following:
 - i) Use stored procedures instead of implementing Direct queries.
 - ii) The number of updates an account can issue per hour shall be restricted.
 - iii) The number of queries an account can issue per hour shall be restricted.
 - iv) The number of times an account can connect to the server per hour shall be restricted.

[Ref [60]: <https://owasp.org/www-community/attacks>

Ref [4]: https://cwe.mitre.org/top25/archive/2022/2022_cwe_top25.html

Ref [44]: <https://www.oracle.com/java/technologies/javase/seccodeguide.html>.]

3.2.6 UCMF Database Integrity

Requirement:

Systems and mechanisms shall be in place to ensure integrity of UCMF database. The documentation on specific methods or approaches used to address the integrity of UCMF database shall be provided.

3.2.7 UCMF Database Availability

Requirement:

Systems and mechanisms shall be in place to ensure availability of UCMF database. The documentation on specific methods or approaches used to address the availability of UCMF database shall be provided.

3.2.8 Support for 'Data Redaction' and 'Data Masking' feature

Requirement:

UCMF database shall support features of data redaction/log redaction and data masking to prevent exposure of sensitive data.

3.2.9 Terminate session on logout or session termination event

Requirement:

When a user logs out, or when any other session termination event occurs, the UCMF database must delete the user session(s) to minimize the potential for session(s) to be hijacked.

[Ref [37]: NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5: SC-23 SESSION AUTHENTICITY]

3.2.10 Fail to known secure state

Requirement:

The UCMF database must transition to a known secure state if failure occurs.

The principle of secure failure indicates that components fail in a state that denies rather than grants access. That is, in a known secure state, neither a failure in a system function or mechanism nor any recovery action in response to failure leads to a violation of security policy. The system may provide all or part of the functionality of the original system, or it may completely shut itself down to prevent any further violation of security policies.

[Ref [37]: NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5: SC-24 FAIL IN KNOWN STATE and SA-8 SECURITY AND PRIVACY ENGINEERING PRINCIPLES- (23), (24)]

3.2.11 Disable server-side scripting if not needed

Requirement:

The UCMF database shall ensure that server-side scripting is disabled if not needed.

[Ref [40]: Security Standard –Database Management Systems (SS-005) section 11.2.3]

3.2.12 Restrict access using IP filtering

Requirement:

The UCMF database shall restrict access using IP filtering.

[Ref [40]: Security Standard –Database Management Systems (SS-005) section 11.2.11]

3.2.13 Secured UCMF database backups

Requirement:

The mechanisms for data base backups, integrity, consistency, and availability shall be supported.

[Ref [41]: OWASP Database_Security_Cheat_Sheet]

[Ref [40]: Security Standard –Database Management Systems (SS-005) section 11.5.1]

3.3 Security of Nucmf Provisioning API

Requirement:

- 1) The access to the Nucmf_Provisioning API may be authorized by means of the Oauth2 protocol based on local configuration, using the "Client Credentials" authorization grant, where the NRF plays the role of the authorization server.
- 2) When multiple NRFs are deployed in a network, the NRF used as authorization server is the same NRF that the NF service consumer used for discovering the Nucmf_Provisioning service.
- 3) The Nucmf_Provisioning API defines a single scope "nucmf_provisioning" for the entire service, and it does not define any additional scopes at resource or operation level.

[Ref [28]: 3GPP TS 29.675 V17.7.0 (2023-03), Ver17, Section 5.9: "User Equipment (UE) radio capability Provisioning Service"]

Definitions

1. **2G- / 3G-:** Prefixes 2G- and 3G- refer to functionality that supports only GSM or UMTS, respectively, e.g., 2G-SGSN refers only to the GSM functionality of an SGSN.
2. **5G Access Network:** An access network comprising a NG-RAN and/or non-3GPP AN connecting to a 5G Core Network [1].
3. **5G Core Network:** The core network specified in the present document. It connects to a 5G Access Network.
4. **5G System:** 3GPP system consisting of 5G Access Network (AN), 5G Core Network and UE [1].
5. **5QI:** 5G QoS Identifier(5QI) is a scalar that is used as a reference to a specific QoS forwarding behavior (e.g., packet loss rate, packet delay budget) to be provided to a 5G QoS Flow.
6. **Application Identifier:** An Identifier that can be mapped to a specific application traffic detection rule.
7. **AUSF:** AUSF is a network function with which SEAF and UDM interact during the authentication of UE [1].
8. **Call:** A logical association between several users (this could be connection oriented or connection less).
9. **Camped on a cell:** The UE is in idle mode and has completed the cell selection/ re-selection process and has chosen a cell. The UE monitors system information and (in most cases) paging information. Note that the services may be limited, and that the PLMN may not be aware of the existence of the UE within the chosen cell.
10. **Capability Class:** A piece of information which indicates general 3GPP System mobile station characteristics (e.g., supported radio interfaces) for the interest of the network.
11. **Carrier:** The modulated waveform conveying the E-UTRA, UTRA or GSM/EDGE physical channels
12. **Carrier frequency:** Centre frequency of the cell.
13. **Card session:** A link between the card and the external world starting with the ATR and ending with a subsequent reset or a deactivation of the card.
14. **CAC (Connection Admission Control):** A set of measures taken by the network to balance between the QoS requirements of new connections request and the current network utilisation without affecting the grade of service of existing/already established connections.

15. **Channel edge:** The lowest and highest frequency of the carrier, separated by the channel bandwidth.
16. **Channel bandwidth:** The RF bandwidth supporting a single RF carrier with the transmission bandwidth configured in the uplink or downlink of a cell. The channel bandwidth is measured in MHz and is used as a reference for transmitter and receiver RF requirements.
17. **Cipher key:** A code used in conjunction with a security algorithm to encode and decode user and/or signalling data.
18. **Circuit Switched Domain:** domain within GSM / UMTS in which information is transferred in circuit switched mode.
19. **Closed group:** A group with a predefined set of members. Only defined members may participate in a closed group.
20. **Closed Subscriber Group (CSG):** A Closed Subscriber Group identifies subscribers of an operator who are permitted to access one or more cells of the PLMN but which have restricted access (CSG cells).
21. **Coverage area:** Area over which a 3GPP System service is provided with the service probability above a certain threshold.
22. **Coverage area (of a mobile cellular system):** An area where mobile cellular services are provided by that mobile cellular system to the level required of that system.
23. **CSG cell:** A cell, part of the PLMN, broadcasting a specific CSG Identity. A CSG cell is accessible by the members of the closed subscriber's group for that CSG Identity. All the CSG cells sharing the same identity are identifiable as a single group.
24. **CSG Identity (CSGID):** An identity broadcast by a CSG cell or cells and used by the UE to facilitate access for authorised members of the associated Closed Subscriber Group.
25. **CSG Indicator:** An indication transmitted on the broadcast channel of the CSG cell that allows the UE to identify such a CSG cell.
26. **Domain:** part of a communication network that provides resources using a certain bearer technology.
27. **EAP-AKA:** Extensible Authentication Protocol Method for Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) Authentication and Key Agreement (EAP-AKA), is an EAP mechanism for authentication and session key distribution using the UMTS Subscriber Identity Module (USIM).
28. **FTAM:** File Transfer Access and Management is an OSI application Layer 7 protocol that standardizes how files are accessed and managed in a distributed network file system. It outlines and combines standards for file transfer and remote access to open files into a single protocol.

29. **Gateway UE:** a UE, which acts as a gateway providing access to and from the 3GPP network for one or more non-3GPP devices that are connected to the gateway UE.
30. **GPRS:** packet switched bearer and radio services for GSM and UMTS systems.
31. **Hard Handover:** Hard handover is a category of handover procedures where all the old radio links in the UE are abandoned before the new radio links are established.
32. **Heterogeneous Network:** a 3GPP access network consisting of multiple cells with different characteristics (e.g., for the case of E-UTRA: a variety of e-NodeBs, Home e-NodeBs, e-UTRA Relays).
33. **HNB Name:** The HNB Name is a broadcast string in free text format that provides a human readable name for the Home NodeB/eNodeB.
34. **Home Environment:** responsible for overall provision and control of the Personal Service Environment of its subscribers.
35. **Home Mobile Network Operator (home MNO):** This is an operator of PLMN where the MCC and MNC of the PLMN identity is same as the MCC and MNC of the UE's SUPI, also referred to as HPLMN.
36. **Home PLMN:** This is a PLMN where the MCC and MNC of the PLMN identity match the MCC and MNC of the IMSI. Matching criteria are defined in TS 23.122.
37. **IANA:** The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) is a standards organization that oversees global IP address allocation, autonomous system number allocation, root zone management in the Domain Name System (DNS), media types, and other Internet Protocol-related symbols and Internet numbers," <https://www.iana.org/assignments/enterprise-numbers/enterprise-numbers>".
38. **Integrity:** (in the context of security) The avoidance of unauthorised modification of information.
39. **Inter PLMN handover:** Handover between different PLMNs, i.e. having different MCC-MNC.
40. **International Mobile Station Equipment Identity (IMEI):** An "International Mobile Station Equipment Identity" is a unique number which shall be allocated to each individual mobile station equipment in the PLMN and shall be unconditionally implemented by the MS manufacturer.
41. **International mobile user number (IMUN):** The International Mobile User Number is a dialable number allocated to a 3GPP System user.
42. **Intra PLMN handover:** Handover within the same network, i.e. having the same MCC-MNC regardless of radio access system.
43. **IP-Connectivity Access Network (IP-CAN):** The collection of network entities and interfaces that provides the underlying IP transport connectivity between the UE and the IMS entities. An example of an "IP-Connectivity Access Network" is GPRS.

44. **Masking:** The process of systematically removing a field or replacing it with a value in a way that does not preserve the analytic utility of the value.
45. **Multipoint:** A value of the service attribute "communication configuration", which denotes that the communication involves more than two network terminations (source: ITU-T I.113).
46. **NF service:** a functionality exposed by a NF through a service-based interface and consumed by other authorized NFs.
47. **NF service operation:** An elementary unit a NF service is composed of.
48. **Real time:** Time, typically in a number of seconds, to perform the on-line mechanism used for fraud control and cost control.
49. **Redaction:** The removal of information from a document or dataset for legal or security purposes.
50. **Redcap UE:** The UE with reduced capabilities
51. **Service based interface:** It represents how a set of services is provided/exposed by a given NF.
52. **Session:** logical connection between parties involved in a packet switched based communication This term is used for IP connections rather than the term "call" that is normally used for a connection over conventional (circuit switched) systems.
53. **Sensitive Data:** data that may be used for authentication or may help to identify the user, such as user names, passwords, PINs, cryptographic keys, IMSIs, IMEIs, MSISDNs, or IP addresses of the UE, as well as files of a system that are needed for the functionality such as firmware images, patches, drivers or kernel modules.
54. **System Group Account:** a predefined system account in the network product, usually with special privileges, which has a predefined user id and hence cannot be tied to a single user (individual) in a normal operating environment. E.g., the 'root' account.
55. **Transit:** interconnection scenarios in multi operator environments where one or more transit operators are between the originating and terminating operator.
56. **User Equipment (UE):** device allowing a user access to network services. For the purpose of 3GPP specifications the interface between the UE and the network is the radio interface. A User Equipment can be subdivided into a number of domains, the domains being separated by reference points. Currently defined domains are the USIM and ME Domains. The ME Domain can further be subdivided into several components showing the connectivity between multiple functional groups. These groups can be implemented in one or more hardware devices.
57. **Visited Mobile Network Operator (visited MNO):** This is an operator of PLMN where the MCC and MNC of the PLMN identity is different from the MCC and MNC of the UE's SUPI, also referred to as VPLMN.

Acronyms

3G	-	3rd Generation
3GPP	-	3rd Generation Partnership Project
5GC	-	5G Core Network
5GS	-	The 3GPP 5G System
5GSTMSI	-	5GS Temporary Mobile Subscription Identifier
AAA	-	Authentication, Authorization and Accounting
AF	-	Application Function
AMF	-	Access and Mobility Management Function
API	-	Application Program Interfaces
APN	-	Access Point Name
AS	-	Application Server
BS	-	Bearer Services
BSC	-	Base Station Controller
BSS	-	Base Station Subsystem
BTS	-	Base Transceiver Station
CN	-	Core Network
CP	-	Control Plane
CS	-	Circuit Switched
CSCF	-	Call Session Control Function (I-Interrogating; E-Emergency; P-Proxy; and S-Serving)
DL	-	Downlink (Network to mobile)
DNAI	-	Data Network Access Identifier of a user plane access to one or more DN(s) where applications are deployed.
EAP	-	Extensible Authentication Protocol
EAP-AKA	-	Extensible Authentication Protocol Authentication and Key Agreement
ER	-	EAP Re-authentication
ERP	-	EAP Re-authentication Protocol
FDD	-	Frequency Division Duplex
FR1	-	Frequency Range 1
FR2	-	Frequency Range 2
GCI	-	Global Cable Identifier
GLI	-	Global Line Identifier
GUTI	-	Globally Unique Temporary UE Identity
IANA	-	Internet Assigned Number's Authority
IoT	-	Internet of Things
IMEI	-	International Mobile Equipment Identity

I-PUPS	-	Inter PLMN User Plane Security
I-SMF	-	Intermediate SMF
I-UPF	-	Intermediate UPF
KPI	-	Key Performance Indicator
N5CW	-	Non 5G Capable over WLAN
NB	-	Narrowband
NCI	-	NR Cell Identity
NCGI	-	NR Cell Global Identity
NR	-	New Radio (the radio interface of 5G)
NSI	-	Network Specific Identifier
OMR	-	Optimal Media Routing
PCF	-	Policy Control Function
PCRF	-	Policy and Charging Rules Function
PEI	-	Permanent Equipment Identifier
PF	-	Packet Flow Description
PDR	-	Packet Detection Rule
PEI	-	Permanent Equipment Identifier
RACS	-	Radio Capability Signaling Optimization
Rel	-	3GPP Release
RG	-	Residential Gateway
SA	-	3GPP TSG Service and System Aspects
SUCI	-	Subscription Concealed Identifier
SUPI	-	Subscription Permanent Identifier
SCCP	-	Signaling Connection Control Part
SCEF	-	Service Capability Exposure Function
SCF	-	Service Control Function
SCS	-	Services Capability Server
SGSN	-	Serving GPRS Support Node
SIM	-	Subscriber Identity Module
SL	-	Side Link
SMS	-	Short Message Service
SMF	-	Session Management Function
SNPN	-	Stand-alone Non-Public Network
SSF	-	Service Switching Function
TAC	-	Type Allocation Code (for IMEI/TAC)
TAC	-	Tracking Area Code
TAP	-	Transferred Account Procedure
TAU	-	Tracking Area Update
TDD	-	Time Division Duplex

TDF	-	Traffic Detection Function
TR	-	Technical Report
TRF	-	Transit and Roaming Function
TS	-	Technical Specification
TWAG	-	Trusted WLAN Access Gateway
TWAP	-	Trusted WLAN AAA Proxy
UE	-	User Equipment
UDP	-	User Datagram Protocol
UMTS	-	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
UPF	-	User Plane Function
UCMF	-	UE radio Capability Management Function
URCMP	-	UE Radio Capabilities Management Protocol
URRP	-	UE Reachability Request Parameter for MME
USIM	-	Universal SIM
UPPRUK	-	User Plane ProSe Remote User Key
UL	-	Uplink
UUID	-	Universally Unique Identifier
V2X	-	Vehicle-to-Everything
VAS	-	Value Added Service
VLR	-	Visitor Location Register
VMSC	-	Visited MSC
VPLMN	-	Visited PLMN
WLAN	-	Wireless LAN

List of Submissions

List of Undertakings to be furnished by the OEMs for UCMF Security Testing Submissions

1. Source Code Security Assurance (against test case 2.3.3)
2. Known Malware and backdoor Check (against test case 2.3.4)
3. No unused Software (against test case 2.3.5)
4. No unsupported components (against test case 2.4.2)
5. Avoidance of Unspecified Wireless Access (against test case 2.4.3)
6. Cryptographic Module Security Assurance (against test case 2.6.2)
7. Cryptographic Algorithms implementation Security Assurance (against test case 2.6.3)

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