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# 1 Scope

The present document is based on requirements from ETSI TS 102 656 [2].

The present document contains handover requirements and a handover specification for the data that is identified in national legislations on Retained Data.

The present document considers both the requesting of retained data and the delivery of the results.

The present document defines an electronic interface. An informative annex describes how this interface may be adapted for manual techniques. Apart from in annex I, the present document does not consider manual techniques.

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## 3 Definitions and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

**authorized organization:** any authority legally authorized to request or receive retained data e.g. a Law Enforcement Agency

**Handover Interface A (HI-A):** administrative handover interface comprising requests for information and their responses

**Handover Interface B (HI-B):** data handover interface comprising the retained data transmission of information

**issuing authority:** any entity possessing the necessary jurisdiction and authority pursuant to law to compel a service provider to deliver retained subscriber information or traffic data specified in a query

**lawful authorization:** permission granted to an Authorized Organization under certain conditions to request specified telecommunications retained data and requiring co-operation from a network operator/service provider/access provider

NOTE: Typically, this refers to a warrant or order issued by a lawfully authorized body.

**location information:** information relating to the geographic, physical or logical location of an identity relating to an interception subject

**number:** any address (E.164, IP, email, URI) used for routing in a network or in a service on a user level or network/service level

**receiving authority:** any entity possessing the necessary authority pursuant to law and the technical means to receive retained subscriber information or traffic data delivered by a service provider

**request:** legal requirement for a Communications Service Provider (CSP) to disclose retained data in accordance with relevant national law

**response to request of information:** response from the CSP to the authorized organization acknowledging or rejecting a request for information

**retained data record:** set of data elements for a specific subscriber/user related to a specific service transaction

**service transaction:** instance of a service given by a CSP to a subscriber/user

**service transaction record:** set of data elements describing a service transaction (details to be determined)

**transmission of information:** transmission of retained data from the CSP to the receiving authority

## 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| ACK   | ACKnowledge  |
| ADSL  | Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line                 |
| AO    | Authorized Organization                            |
| APN   | Access Point Name                                  |
| ASCII | American Standard Code for Information Interchange |
| ASN   | Abstract Syntax Notation                           |
| BER   | Basic Encoding Rules                               |
| BIC   | Business Identifier Code                           |
| CGI   | Cell Global Identity                               |
| CPE   | Customer Premises Equipment                        |
| CS    | Circuit Switched                                   |
| CSP   | Communications Service Provider                    |
| CSPID | CSP Identifier                                     |
| DR    | Data Retention                                     |
| DSA   | Digital Signature Algorithm                        |
| DSL   | Digital Subscriber Line                            |
| DSS   | Digital Signature Standard                         |
| DVD   | Digital Versatile Disc or Digital Video Disc       |
| ECGI  | E-UTRAN Cell Global ID                             |
| EMS   | Enhanced Messaging Service                         |
| EPC   | Enhanced Packet Core                               |
| EPS   | Evolved Packet System                              |
| GGSN  | Gateway GPRS Support Node                          |
| GPRS  | General Packet Radio Service                       |
| GSM   | Global System for Mobile communications            |
| GW    | GateWay  |
| HI    | Handover Interface                                 |
| HI-A  | Handover Interface A                               |

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| HI-B   | Handover Interface B                                 |
| HTTP   | HyperText Transfer Protocol                          |
| HTTPS  | HyperText Transfer Protocol over Secure Socket Layer |
| IBAN   | International Banking Account Number                 |
| ICCID  | Integrated Circuit Card ID                           |
| ID     | IDentifier   |
| IEI    | Information Element Identifier                       |
| IMAP   | Internet Message Access Protocol                     |
| IMEI   | International Mobile Equipment Identity              |
| IMEISV | IMEI Software Version                                |
| IMS    | IP Multimedia Subsystem                              |
| IMSI   | International Mobile Subscriber Identity             |
| IP     | Internet Protocol                                    |
| IPSec  | Internet Protocol Security                           |
| IRI    | Intercept Related Information                        |
| ISDN   | Integrated Services Digital Network                  |
| ISUP   | ISDN User Part                                       |
| LAN    | Local Area Network                                   |
| LEA    | Law Enforcement Agency                               |
| LI     | Lawful Interception                                  |
| MAC    | Media Access Control                                 |
| MCC    | Mobile Country Code                                  |
| ME     | Mobile Equipment                                     |
| MF-B   | Mediation Function B                                 |
| MME    | Mobility Management Entity                           |
| MMS    | Multimedia Messaging Service                         |
| MNC    | Mobile Network Code                                  |
| MS     | Mobile Station                                       |
| MSC    | Mobile Switching Centre                              |
| MSISDN | Mobile Subscriber ISDN number                        |
| MSN    | Multiple Subscriber Number                           |
| NA     | Network Access                                       |
| NAS    | Network Access Server                                |
| NAT    | Network Address Translation                          |
| PAT    | Port Address Translation                             |
| PDN    | Public Data Network                                  |
| PDP    | Packet Data Protocol                                 |
| PDU    | Protocol Data Unit                                   |
| PLMN   | Public Land Mobile Network                           |
| PPP    | Point-to-Point Protocol                              |
| PS     | Packet Switched                                      |
| PSTN   | Public Switched Telephone Network                    |
| PUK    | Personal Unblocking Key                              |
| RAI    | Routing Area Identifier                              |
| RAT    | Radio Access Technology                              |
| RD     | Retained Data  |
| RDHI   | Retained Data Handover Interface                     |
| SAI    | Service Area Identifier                              |
| SC     | SMS Centre   |
| SDP    | Session Description Protocol                         |
| SGSN   | Serving GPRS Support Node                            |
| SHA    | Secure Hash Algorithm                                |
| SIM    | Subscriber Identity Module                           |
| SIP    | Session Initiation Protocol                          |
| SMS    | Short Message Service                                |
| SMTP   | Simple Mail Transfer Protocol                        |
| TAI    | Tracking Area Identity                               |
| TCP    | Transmission Control Protocol                        |
| TL     | Latency Time   |
| TLS    | Transport Layer Security                             |
| TR     | Time of the Request                                  |
| TV     | TeleVision   |