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1 Scope

This document specifies the common functional architecture, procedures and information flows needed to support mission critical services including the common services core architecture.

The corresponding service requirements are defined in 3GPP TS 22.179 [2], 3GPP TS 22.280 [3], 3GPP TS 22.281 [4] and 3GPP TS 22.282 [5].

The present document is applicable primarily to mission critical services using E-UTRAN access based on the EPC architecture defined in 3GPP TS 23.401 [17]. Certain MC service functions such as dispatch and administrative functions could also be supported via non-3GPP access networks but no additional functionality is specified to support non-3GPP access.

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3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

Active MC service user profile: The MC service user profile that is currently used by an MC service client of an MC service user while receiving MC service.

Location: The current physical location of the MC service UE.

MC service: A generic name for any one of the three mission critical services: either MCPTT, or MCVideo, or MCDData.

MC service affiliated group member: An MC service user who has indicated an interest in a particular MC service group and has been accepted to participate in MC service group communication for that MC service group.

MC service client: A generic name for the client application function of a specific MC service. MC service client could be replaced by MCPTT client, or MCVideo client, or MCDData client depending on the context.

MC service group: A defined set of MC service users with associated communication dispositions (e.g. media restrictions, default priority and commencement directions) configured for the use with one or more MC services.

MC service group affiliation: A mechanism by which an MC service user's MC service(s) communication interest in one or more MC service groups is determined.

MC service group call: A mechanism by which an MC service user can make a one-to-many MC service(s) transmission to other users that are members of MC service group(s).

MC service group de-affiliation: A mechanism by which an MC service user's MC service(s) communication interest in one or more MC service groups is removed.

MC service group home system: The mission critical system where the MC service group is defined.

MC service group host MC service server: The MC service server within a mission critical system which provides centralised support for a particular MC service of an MC service group defined in a MC service group home system.

MC service group member: An MC service user, whose MC service ID is listed in a particular MC service group.