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In the present document, modal verbs have the following meanings:

- shall** indicates a mandatory requirement to do something
- shall not** indicates an interdiction (prohibition) to do something

The constructions "shall" and "shall not" are confined to the context of normative provisions, and do not appear in Technical Reports.

The constructions "must" and "must not" are not used as substitutes for "shall" and "shall not". Their use is avoided insofar as possible, and they are not used in a normative context except in a direct citation from an external, referenced, non-3GPP document, or so as to maintain continuity of style when extending or modifying the provisions of such a referenced document.

- should** indicates a recommendation to do something
- should not** indicates a recommendation not to do something
- may** indicates permission to do something
- need not** indicates permission not to do something

The construction "may not" is ambiguous and is not used in normative elements. The unambiguous constructions "might not" or "shall not" are used instead, depending upon the meaning intended.

- can** indicates that something is possible
- cannot** indicates that something is impossible

The constructions "can" and "cannot" are not substitutes for "may" and "need not".

- will** indicates that something is certain or expected to happen as a result of action taken by an agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document
- will not** indicates that something is certain or expected not to happen as a result of action taken by an agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document
- might** indicates a likelihood that something will happen as a result of action taken by some agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

might not indicates a likelihood that something will not happen as a result of action taken by some agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

In addition:

is (or any other verb in the indicative mood) indicates a statement of fact

is not (or any other negative verb in the indicative mood) indicates a statement of fact

The constructions "is" and "is not" do not indicate requirements.

1 Scope

The present document contains requirements and test cases that are specific to the SMF network product class. It refers to the Catalogue of General Security Assurance Requirements and formulates specific adaptations of the requirements and test cases given there, as well as specifying requirements and test cases unique to the SMF network product class.

2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

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- For a specific reference, subsequent revisions do not apply.
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- [1] 3GPP TS 23.501: "System Architecture for the 5G System".
- [2] 3GPP TS 33.117: "Catalogue of general security assurance requirements".
- [3] 3GPP TS 23.060: "General Packet Radio Service".
- [4] 3GPP TR 33.926: "Security Assurance Specification (SCAS) threats and critical assets in 3GPP network product classes".
- [5] 3GPP TS 29.281: "General Packet Radio System (GPRS) Tunnelling Protocol User Plane (GTPv1-U)".
- [6] 3GPP TS 32.255: "Charging Management; 5G Data Connectivity Domain Charging".
- [7] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [8] 3GPP TS 33.501 (Release 15): "Security architecture and procedures for 5G system".

3 Definitions of terms, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the terms given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [7] 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 [7].

3.2 Symbols

Void.

3.3 Abbreviations

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

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|------|----------------------------------|
| CHF | Charging Function |
| SCAS | Security Assurance Specification |

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| SMF | Session Management Function |
| TEID | Tunnel Endpoint Identifier |
| UDM | Unified Data Management Function |
| UPF | User Plane Function |

4 SMF-specific security requirements and related test cases

4.1 Introduction

SMF specific security requirements include both SMF-specific security functional requirements in relevant specifications as well as security requirements introduced in the present document derived from the threats specific to SMF as described in TR 33.926 [4].

4.2 SMF-specific security functional adaptations of requirements and related test cases

4.2.1 Introduction

Present clause contains SMF-specific security functional adaptations of requirements and related test cases.

4.2.2 Security functional requirements on the SMF deriving from 3GPP specifications and related test cases

4.2.2.1 Security functional requirements on the SMF deriving from 3GPP specifications

4.2.2.1.1 Priority of UP security policy

Requirement Name: Priority of UP security policy

Requirement Reference: TS 23.501 [1], clause 5.10.3

Requirement Description: "User Plane Security Policy from UDM takes precedence over locally configured User Plane Security Policy." as specified in TS 23.501 [1], clause 5.10.3

Threat References: TR 33.926 [4], clause J.2.2.1 Non-compliant UP security policy handling

Test Case:

Test Name: TC_UP_POLICY_PRECEDENCE_SMF

Purpose:

Verify that the user plane security policy from the UDM takes precedence at the SMF under test over locally configured user plane security policy.

Pre-Conditions:

Test environment with AMF and UDM may be simulated.

Both UDM and SMF under test are configured with UP security policy, and the UP security policies are different.

There is no Session Management Subscription data in SMF.

Execution Steps

- 1) The tester triggers PDU session establishment procedure by sending Nsmf_PDUSession_CreateSMContext Request message to the SMF.
- 2) The SMF under test retrieves the Session Management Subscription data using Nudm_SDM_Get service from UDM, where the Session Management Subscription data includes the user plane security policy stored in UDM.
- 3) The tester captures the Namf_Communication_N1N2MessageTransfer message sent from the SMF under test to the AMF.

Expected Results:

There is a Security Indication IE in the N2 SM information contained in the Namf_Communication_N1N2MessageTransfer message, which is the same with the UP security policy configured in the UDM.

Expected format of evidence:

Evidence suitable for the interface, e.g., Screenshot containing the operational results.

4.2.2.1.2 Void

4.2.2.1.3 Security functional requirements on the SMF checking UP security policy

Requirement Name: UP security policy check.

Requirement Reference: TS 33.501 [8], clause 6.6.1

Requirement Description:

"The SMF shall verify that the UE's UP security policy received from the target ng-eNB/gNB is the same as the UE's UP security policy that the SMF has locally stored. If there is a mismatch, the SMF shall send its locally stored UE's UP security policy of the corresponding PDU sessions to the target gNB. This UP security policy information, if included by the SMF, is delivered to the target ng-eNB/gNB in the Path-Switch Acknowledge message. The SMF shall log capabilities for this event and may take additional measures, such as raising an alarm. "

Threat References: TR 33.926 [4], clause J.2.2.4, Unchecked UP security policy.

TEST CASE:

Test Name: TC_UP_SECURITY_POLICY_SMF

Purpose:

Verify that the SMF checks the UP security policy that is sent by the ng-eNB/gNB during handover.

Pre-Conditions:

The SMF under test is preconfigured with a UE UP security policy.

Execution

1. The tester sends the Nsmf_PDUSession_SMContextUpdate Request message to the SMF under test. A UE UP security policy different than the one preconfigured at the SMF under test is included in the Request message.
2. The tester captures the Nsmf_PDUSession_SMContextUpdate Response message sent from the SMF under test.

Expected Results:

The preconfigured UE security policy is contained in the 'n2SmInf' IE in the captured Response message.

Expected format of evidence:

Files containing the triggered GTP messages (e.g. pcap trace).

4.2.2.1.4 Charging ID Uniqueness

Requirement Name: Charging ID uniqueness.

Requirement Reference: TS 32.255 [6], clause 5.1.2

Requirement Description: :

- "- The SMF shall support PDU session charging using service based interface.
- The SMF shall collect charging information per PDU session for UEs served under 3GPP access and non-3GPP access.
- Every PDU session shall be assigned a unique identity number for billing purposes per PLMN. (i.e. the Charging Id). "

Threat Reference: TR 33.926 [4], clause J.2.2.3, "Failure to assign unique Charging ID for a session"

TEST CASE:

Test Name: TC_CHARGING_ID_UNIQUENESS_SMF

Purpose:

Verify that the charging ID generated by the SMF for each PDU session is unique.

Pre-Conditions:

Test environment is set up with a Charging Function (CHF), which may be real or simulated, and the SMF under test. The tester is able to capture the traffic between the SMF under test and the CHF.

Execution Step

- 1) The tester intercepts the traffic between the SMF under test and the CHF.
- 2) The tester triggers the establishment of the maximum number of concurrent PDU sessions that the SMF under test can handle.
- 3) The tester captures each Charging Data Request [initial] sent from the SMF under test to the CHF, and verifies the charging ID contained in the 'PDU Session Charging Information' IE in each Charging Data Request [initial] is unique.

Expected Results:

The charging ID in each Charging Data Request [initial] is unique.

Expected format of evidence:

Files containing the Charging Data Request [initial] messages (e.g. pcap trace).

4.2.3 Technical Baseline

4.2.3.1 Introduction

The present clause provides baseline technical requirements.

4.2.3.2 Protecting data and information

4.2.3.2.1 Protecting data and information – general

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.2.1 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.2.2 Protecting data and information – unauthorized viewing

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.2.2 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.2.3 Protecting data and information in storage

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.2.3 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.2.4 Protecting data and information in transfer

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.2.4 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.2.5 Logging access to personal data

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.2.5 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.3 Protecting availability and integrity

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.3 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.4 Authentication and authorization

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.4 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.5 Protecting sessions

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.5 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.3.6 Logging

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.3.6 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.4 Operating Systems

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.4 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.5 Web Servers

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.5 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.6 Network Devices

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.2.6 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.2.7 Void

4.3 SMF-specific adaptations of hardening requirements and related test cases

4.3.1 Introduction

The present clause contains SMF-specific adaptations of hardening requirements and related test cases.

4.3.2 Technical baseline

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.3.2 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.3.3 Operating systems

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.3.3 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.3.4 Web servers

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.3.4 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.3.5 Network devices

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.3.5 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.3.6 Other SMF-specific adaptations of hardening requirements and related test cases

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.3.6 of TS 33.117 [2].

4.4 Network functions in service-based architecture

There are no SMF-specific additions to clause 4.4 of TS 33.117 [2].

Annex A (informative): Change history

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