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SS7 Security Operator view

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Background

Sunrise:- Independent Swiss Operator, not part of any group.

Very Innovative, CEO is keen on Best Quality, Best Network.

E.g. Best Network in Switzerland 2 of last 3 years.

First in Switzerland and Europe to have Live 5G Service



Issues with ss7 Firewalling

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<u>Filtering is complicated.</u> Matching CC+NDC with MCC+MNC is not always 1-2-1.

E.g. Caribean operator with 1 HSS covering several teritories.

MCC-MNCs:

| X 3380500 | X 33805085 | X 338050637 | X 348770 | X 36269 | X 36302 | X 71404 |
| CC-NDCs: | X 18763885 | X 1876388637 | X 187630441 | X 187630443 | X 187630444 |

Not all unusual Signalling is are attacks.

Could be:-

MNP resolution, SMS grey Route (SMS HR Bypass)

SigFW is Important but so is SMS Home Routing Luckily SMS HR has a good business case.

Other things to consider

Attacker still needs a configured connection to an MNO/MVNOs network.

i.e. This requires agreement or someone on the inside to configure the links.

- For SMS intercept, attacker still needs real Global Title (Routing address).
- Operators should share cases of SMS intercept so these GT/ranges are made useless. Perhaps there is a role here for the ITU.
- Should Signalling Carriers or SigFW vendors have a role? Most seam to want to sell this functionality as a service.



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Thank you

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