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Digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 (DSS2) – Generic identifier transport extension for support of bearer independent call control

Summary

This Recommendation defines the use of DSS2 Generic identifier transport signalling capability to carry the Backbone Network Connection Identifier that correlates ATM bearer connections with Bearer Independent Call Control signalled calls. Instances of these identifiers may be carried in the Generic identifier transport information element, as defined in ITU-T Q.2941.1.

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Digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 (DSS2) – Generic identifier transport extension for support of bearer independent call control

1 Scope

This Recommendation defines DSS2 signalling capability to carry identifiers relating to the support of Bearer Independent Call Control (BICC). These identifiers are coded in the Generic identifier transport information element defined for the Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network (B-ISDN) Digital Subscriber Signalling System No. 2 (DSS2) protocol.

This Recommendation is part of the DSS2 family of ITU-T Recommendations; it specifies extensions to ITU-T Q.2931 [1] and Q.2971 [2] and does not repeat states, information elements, messages and procedures contained therein, but only specifies extensions related to the use of the Generic identifier information element.

This Recommendation is applicable to equipment, supporting DSS2 signalling capabilities as defined, in particular, in ITU-T Q.2931 and Q.2971 and extends GIT to support the Backbone Network Connection Identifier (BNC-Id) required to coordinate ATM bearer connection establishment with calls established via signalling defined in ITU-T Q.1901.

2 References

The following ITU-T Recommendations and other references contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Recommendation. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All Recommendations and other references are subject to revision; all users of this Recommendation are therefore encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the Recommendations and other references listed below. A list of the currently valid ITU-T Recommendations is regularly published.

- [1] ITU-T Q.2931 (1995), *Digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 – User-network interface (UNI) layer 3 specification for basic call/connection control*, and its Amendments 1 through 4.
- [2] ITU-T Q.2971 (1995), *Digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 – User-network interface (UNI) layer 3 specification for point-to-multipoint call/connection control*.
- [3] ITU-T Q.2941.1 (1997), *Digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 – Generic identifiers transport*.
- [4] ITU-T Q.1901 (2000), *Bearer independent call control protocol*.
- [5] ITU-T Q.765.5 (2000), *Signalling system No. 7 – Application transport mechanism: Bearer Independent Call Control (BICC)*.
- [6] ITU-T Q-series Supplement 22 (1999), *Technical Report TRQ.3000: Operation of the bearer independent call control (BICC) protocol with digital subscriber signalling system No. 2 (DSS2)*.
- [7] ITU-T Q-series Supplement 16 (1999), *Technical Report TRQ.2140: Signalling requirements for the support of narrow-band services via broadband transport technologies*.

3 Definitions

No new definitions are needed.

4 Abbreviations

This Recommendation uses the following abbreviations:

AAL	ATM Adaptation Layer
ATM	Asynchronous Transfer Mode
BCF	Bearer Control Function
BICC	Bearer Independent Call Control
B-ISDN	Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network
BNC-Id	Backbone Network Connection Identifier
DSS2	Digital Subscriber Signalling System No. 2
GIT	Generic Identifier Transport
SVC	Switched Virtual Connection
VCC	Virtual Channel Connection

5 Description

The Generic identifier transport signalling capability allows the generation and transport by the B-ISDN of identifiers used by different distributed applications. The Generic identifier transport capability is a signalling capability for exchanging identifiers between an originating entity and an addressed peer entity. The transport of the following identifier is defined in this Recommendation:

- Backbone Network Connection Identifier (BNC-Id).

The BNC-Id binds or correlates a narrow-band call establishment with the corresponding ATM VCC establishment. The use of the BNC-Id in call control is defined in ITU-T Q.1901 [4]. The combination of BNC-Id and calling party number are unique for the duration of the connection.

6 Operational requirements

The use of this capability between networks is through bilateral agreement.

7 Primitives

No new primitives are required to support this capability.

8 Coding requirements

8.1 Messages

No additional message specification is required in this Recommendation. Refer to ITU-T Q.2941.1 [3] for a discussion of valid messages that carry the GIT information element.

8.2 Information element

For the sake of clarity, the Generic identifier transport information element defined in ITU-T Q.2941.1 [3] is reproduced in Appendix I. If an (unintended) discrepancy is found between Appendix I and ITU-T Q.2941.1, the material in ITU-T Q.2941.1 takes precedence. The identifier defined in this Recommendation requires the following additional coding:

Identifier related standard/application (octet 5) (Note 1)

Bits

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 BICC, ITU-T Q.1901 [4] (Note 2)

NOTE 1 – This field identifies a user of the DSS2 using the identifier(s) coded in octet group 6 and possibly the subsequent octet groups. An identifier type may be used by multiple standards/applications and a standard/application may require that multiple identifier types be carried in the same instance of the Generic identifier transport information element.

NOTE 2 – When the identifier related standard/application field refers BICC, a BNC-Id is coded in octet groups 6 according to this clause.

Identifier type (Octet 6, 7, ..., N)

Bits

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 BNC-Id (Note 3)

NOTE 3 – When the standard/application field (octet group 5) refers to ITU-T Q.1901 [4], a BNC-Id is coded in octet group 6 according to the rules defined below. The length of the BNC-Id value is 4 octets.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Octets
BNC-Id identifier								6
0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	
Length of BNC-Id value								6.1
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
BNC-Id value								6.2
								6.3
								6.4
								6.5

Where, BNC-Id value (octets 6.2-6.5) is a code that expresses the 32-bit integer representation of the BNC-Id; its values range from 0 to $2^{32} - 1$.

9 Procedures

9.1 General procedures

No additional Q.2931 procedures are required. The procedures of ITU-T Q.2941.1 [3] apply.

9.2 Procedure for the use of the BNC-Id

Specific procedures for using the BNC-Id, for coordination of calls and ATM bearer connections established via Q.2931-based signalling are defined in this subclause.

When the ATM SVC is used between adjacent BCF nodes, the Generic identifier transport information element can be used for the transfer of the BNC-Id between BCF signalling peer entities.

In the SETUP message, the generic identifier transport information element shall be coded as follows:

- octet 5 shall be set to "0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0" to identify ITU-T Q.1901 [4];
- octet 6 shall be set to "0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0" to denote the BNC-Id identifier;
- octet 6.1 (identifier length) shall be set "0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0"; and
- octets 6.2 to 6.5 shall contain the BNC-Id as defined in 8.2.

The Calling party number information element may be used to identify the BCF node, as defined in ITU-T Q.1901 [4], initiating VCC establishment. The Called party number information element shall identify the BCF signalling entity terminating the VCC. If the information contained in octets 6.2 to 6.5 is not acceptable to the BCF node identified by the called party number information element, then VCC establishment shall be rejected by that BCF node.

APPENDIX I

This appendix reproduces the format of the Generic identifier transport information element defined in ITU-T Q.2941.1 [3]. It is provided for the sake of clarity and completeness.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Octets
Generic identifier transport information element								
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Information element instruction field								
ext. 1	Coding standard		Flag	Res.	IE action ind.			2
Length of contents of information element								3 4
Identifier related standard/application								5
Identifier type								6 (Note)
Identifier length								6.1
Identifier value								6.2 to 6.m
Identifier type								N*
Identifier length								N.1*
Identifier value								N.2* to N.n*

NOTE – Octet group 6 can be repeated to form new octet groups numbered sequentially octet group 7, 8, ..., N.

Figure I.1/Q.2941.3 – Generic identifier transport information element

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