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Summary

The present document is the proposed Validation Report on the AIDC SARPs. It is an updated version of the Validation Report presented at the ATNP/2 Meeting and constitutes the Proposed WG3/1 Version.

Recommendation

WG3 is invited to endorse this AIDC Validation Report to be submitted at WG3/1 as Appendix H of the overall ATN Validation Report.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope

The purpose of this document is to report on the results of the validation of the draft Air Traffic Services (ATS) Interfacility Data Communication (AIDC)

In addition, this document draws conclusions on the level reached so far by the validation of the draft AIDC SARPs.

1.2 Background

The AIDC SARPs were placed under configuration control at the 6th meeting of WG3 (Brussels, 15-26 April 1996), and since that time a detailed change record has been maintained.

The baseline version of the AIDC SARPs was agreed at the 7th meeting of WG3 (Munich, 24-29 June 1996) and submitted to ICAO.

The following table describes the change history of the AIDC SARPs:

| Date | Version | Comments |
|----------------|---------------------------|--|
| October 1995 | 0.1 | First Draft |
| November 1995 | 0.2 | Second Draft, major rework of service definitions |
| February 1996 | 0.3 | Third Draft, major rework of SARPs due to ADSP and ULA changes (CDSE removed) |
| February 1996 | 0.4 | Input to 5th WG3 meeting (South Brisbane, 4-15 February 1996) |
| February 1996 | 0.41 | Output of Brisbane WG3 meeting |
| April 1996 | Proposed 1.0 | Input to 6th WG3 meeting (Brussels, 15-26 April 1996), Chapters 3, 4 & 5 revised, chapters 6 & 8 added |
| April 1996 | 1.0z | Output of Brussels WG3 meeting, WG3 Baseline version, start of configuration control |
| June 1996 | Proposed 2.0 | Input to 7th WG3 meeting (Munich, 24-29 June 1996), all chapters revised |
| June 1996 | 2.0 | Output of Munich WG3 meeting. Baseline version submitted to ICAO |
| September 1996 | Amended pages | Revisions to chapters 1, 3, 5, 6 & 7 to take into account defect reports, user requirements not correctly captured and results of modelling and of the compilation of the ASN.1 specification. Output of 8th WG3 meeting (Alexandria). |
| November 1996 | ICAO Version 1.0 | Output of ATNP/2, including all amendments proposed to the meeting. |
| March 1997 | Proposed ICAO Version 1.1 | Input to ATNP WG3/1 meeting (Phuket, Thailand). Version 1.0 plus defects up to 17/02/1997) |

2. HIGH LEVEL VALIDATION OBJECTIVES

Validation Objectives (VOs) are statements which express the analysis, tests and evaluations required in order to declare the SARPs validated. WG3 has defined common VOs for ATN applications. The following is the list of these common VOs. Each VO is applicable to the AIDC application.

| VO | Description |
|-------------|---|
| SV01 | To determine which Systems Level Requirements (which are based on operational requirements within the <i>ICAO Draft Manual of ATS Data Link Applications</i> or elsewhere) are satisfied by the functional descriptions in combination with the user requirements and recommended practices of the SARPs. |
| SV02 | To determine if the CNS/ATM-1 Package applications specifications are mutually consistent. |
| FV01 | To determine if the functional descriptions in the SARPs are compatible with the technical requirements. |
| FV02 | To determine if the user requirements and recommended practices are compatible with the technical requirements. |
| FV03 | To determine if the SARPs are complete |
| FV04 | To determine if the SARPs are unambiguous |
| FV05 | To determine if the SARPs are consistent |
| FV06 | To determine if there are requirements in the SARPs which would have no effect if removed. |
| FV07 | To determine if provision has been made to ensure that the SARPs are implementation independent |
| TV01 | To determine if the protocol description supports the end-to-end services |
| TV02 | To determine if the protocol has unacceptable behaviour |
| TV03 | To determine if the abstract service interface parameters are mapped appropriately to PDU fields and/or communication service interface parameters, and vice versa |
| TV04 | To determine if protocol errors in the peer application are correctly handled |
| TV05 | To determine if the SARPs are consistent with the upper layer architecture to the extent that this is a requirement, e.g. use of the Dialogue Service, application of the control function |
| TV06 | To determine if the APDUs are correctly specified |
| TV07 | To determine if provision for QOS management has been addressed |
| TV08 | To determine if provision for future migration has been addressed |
| TV09 | To determine if efficiency requirements have been addressed, e.g. minimising size of data transfer, appropriate maintenance of dialogue |
| TV10 | To determine that the functionality described in the SARPs is implementable |
| TV11 | To determine that independent implementations built in accordance with the SARPs will be able to interoperate |

3. VALIDATION MEANS

The following generic means of validation have been identified for all ATN applications:

- a) Two or more independently developed interoperating implementations, validated by two or more States/Organisations.

- b) Two or more independently developed interoperating implementations, validated by one State/Organisation.
- c) One implementation, validated by more than one State/Organisation.
- d) One implementation, validated by one State/Organisation.
- e) Partial implementation, validated by one or more State/Organisation.
- f) Simulation, analysis using tools e.g. ASN.1 compiler, modelling tools.
- g) Analysis and inspection.

4. APPLICATION FUNCTIONALITY VALIDATION ACHIEVED BY STATES AND ORGANISATIONS

The following table summarises the validation activities of the AIDC SARPs that have been achieved to date. The letters in the table correspond to the validation means given in the previous section. Each table entry contains all validation means that apply. Expected validation levels and dates are indicated where applicable in parenthesis.

| AIDC services | Participating States and Organisations | | | | | Summary |
|---------------------------------|--|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|---------|
| | ATNP/WG3 /SG1 | Eurocontrol | European States | France (see 5.4) | Industry ATM suppliers | |
| Flight Notification | g | e, (d: see note) | e | f | e | e, f, g |
| Flight Co-ordination | g | e, (d: see note) | e | f | e | e, f, g |
| Transfer of Control | g | f, (d: see note) | f | f | e | e, f, g |
| Transfer of Communication | g | f, (d: see note) | f | f | e | e, f, g |
| Transfer of Surveillance Data | g | f, (d: see note) | f | f | e | e, f, g |
| General Information Interchange | g | e, (d: see note) | e | f | e | e, f, g |

Note .- Eurocontrol is considering the possibility to use TES as a platform for an AIDC prototype application in the course of 1997, providing that, at least, an other State or Organisation is available to undertake interoperability tests according to validation means referenced as a) in section 3 above.

5. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING VALIDATION

The objective of this section is to briefly describe the activities undertaken by States/Organisations which have contributed to the AIDC SARPs validation.

5.1 ATNP/WG3/SG1

Members of ATNP/WG3/SG1 have thoroughly analysed and inspected the AIDC SARPs with the view to determine if:

- a) the operational requirements within the ICAO Draft Manual of ATS Data Link Applications are satisfied by the functional description in the SARPs;
- b) the AIDC application specification is consistent with the other applications;
- c) the functional descriptions and the user requirements in the SARPs are compatible with the technical requirements;
- d) the AIDC SARPs are complete, unambiguous and consistent;
- e) the AIDC SARPs contain no requirements which would have no effect if removed.

This task has been completed by ATNP/WG3/SG1.

5.2 Eurocontrol

5.2.1 Real-time simulation activities

The automatic exchange of co-ordination data between ATC computer systems (i.e. Flight Data Processing Systems) using electronic data transfer is in operation in Europe since a number of years. The exchange of data conforms to the Eurocontrol Standard for On-Line Data Interchange (OLDI) which covers the Notification Phase and the Co-ordination Phase of a given flight.

Extensions to this base-standard have been developed to include a dialogue procedure during the Co-ordination Phase and the Transfer of Control Phase of a flight. These extensions have been extensively and successfully tested within a real-time simulated operational environment consisting of a representative part of four European ATC Centres (a total of 10 sectors) using representative traffic sample data.

The OLDI application complemented by the dialogue procedure during the Co-ordination Phase and the Transfer of Control Phase of a flight was therefore considered as being a possible regional implementation of the AIDC application taking into account that:

- a) a one-to-one relationship almost exists between the OLDI messages and the AIDC services defined in the ICAO Draft Manual of ATS Data Link Applications; ADS Panel;
- b) message sequencing is the same for the OLDI and AIDC applications.

All the AIDC services, with the exception of the Transfer of Control service, have been successfully tested in such a simulated environment.

5.2.2 Modelling of AIDC SARPs

The validation of the AIDC SARPs undertaken by Eurocontrol concentrated on their functional validation. The defined ULA was assumed to have been validated as part of the Air/Ground applications SARPs since these applications place more stringent performance requirements than the AIDC application.

Taking into account of the similarities between the AIDC application and the long existing operational OLDI application, the approach chosen to validate the AIDC SARPs was based on the verification of the interoperability between an OLDI user and an AIDC user.

The validation activities carried out by Eurocontrol included:

- a) the modelling of the state machine of an AIDC ATSU and of an OLDI ATSU in terms of message sequencing and timers. For this purpose, use was made of the Object GEODE v2.2.3 SDL Editor which provides model simulation features. In this environment, events are qualified as in/out signals which can be received by the user of the state machine or the OSI underlying service provider;
- b) the modelling of the mapping between OLDI messages and AIDC service primitives.

This modelling has proven that a high level of interoperability exists between OLDI and AIDC implementations.

5.3 European States

The OLDI Standard (referred to in section 5.2.1 above) has been implemented and is used in an operational environment by a number of European States comprising inter alia Austria, Belgium, Eurocontrol (Maastricht UAC), France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain and the United Kingdom.

This includes OLDI functionalities identical to the following AIDC services: Flight Notification, Flight Co-ordination, Transfer of Communication and General Information Interchange.

5.4 France

Taking into account the similarities between the AIDC application and the long existing operational OLDI application, it has been assumed that the contents of the AIDC APDUs do not have to be validated. However, the formal definition of the AIDC service primitives were validated in order to verify that the ASN.1 specification is valid and to determine if unambiguous provision has been made for the ASN.1 encoding.

The AIDC ASN.1 specification has therefore been compiled by France in order to verify the AIDC definition. This compilation has resulted in some defects which have been corrected.

5.5 Industry ATM Suppliers

Industry suppliers of ATM systems implement the Eurocontrol OLDI baseline Standard for European States as off-the-shelf functionality. This includes, at least, the implementation of the following AIDC services: Flight Notification, Flight Co-ordination, Transfer of Communication and General Information Interchange.

The AIDC Transfer of Surveillance service, although not yet used in an operational environment, is also available.

6. DEFECT REPORT SUMMARY

6.1 Defects raised prior to the ATNP/2 meeting

The baseline version of the AIDC Application SARPs submitted to ICAO included, where applicable, all defects/comments made prior to the Munich WG3 meeting.

Inspection and analysis process conducted by several parties, formal modelling of the protocol and compilation of the ASN.1 specification have generated comments and defect reports which have been analysed. These comments and defects are related to:

- the alignment of the terminology used in the SARPs with that used in the Draft ICAO Manual for ATS Data Link Application;
- the refinement of the behaviour of the AIDC Control Function;
- the refinement of the AIDC-ASE protocol definition; and
- a better capture of some user requirements, such as the possibility for a C-ATSU to invoke the Information Transfer Service prior the Notification regime.

These comments and defects have been submitted to and approved by the Toulouse WG3/SG1 meeting (23-26 September 1996) and taken into account to produce amendment pages to the baseline version submitted to ICAO. These amendments were subsequently approved by ATNP/2 and included to produce the ICAO Version 1.0 of the AIDC SARPs.

6.2 Defects raised since the ATNP/2 meeting

The following table is a summary of defect reports raised against the ICAO version 1.0 of the AIDC SARPs.

| Defect Report Number | Status | Version | Section | Summary |
|----------------------|--------|------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| AIDC-DF01 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.5.3.1.18 | CF requirements for mapping the User-abort.request are inconsistently stated in 3.2.5.3.1.18. |
| AIDC-DF02 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.7.1.1 | In the ASN.1 definition of AircraftNumberType, numberOfAircraft must be OPTIONAL. Otherwise all aircraft must cross airspace boundaries in formations of at least 2. |
| AIDC-DF03 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.6.7.2.1.h) 3.2.6.7.2.1.h) | The variable vs1 is wrongly specified to be set to 'coord-start' instead of 'back' in the TRANSFERRED state. |
| AIDC-DF04 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.6.1.34.2. | Return to the IDLE state from the NOTIFY state, the NEGOTIATING state, the TRANSFERRED state and the RENEGOTIATING state incorrectly specified |
| AIDC-DF05 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.3.2 | Section reference numbers are incorrect |
| | | | 3.2.3.6.6.7 | Table 3.2.3-6: 3rd row is redundant; |
| | | | 3.2.4.2 | AIDC-ASE User Services is not a correct title, eliminate 'user' |
| | | | 3.2.4.2.1.1 | Section reference numbers are incorrect |
| | | | 3.2.3.3.1.1 | Section reference numbers are incorrect |
| | | | 3.2.5.3.2.18.2.1.1 | 'Usr-abort' shall read 'Provider-abort' (2 places) |
| | | | 3.2.5.3.6.1.1.2 | Delete 'the NULL state or' |
| AIDC-DF06 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | All sections | Check and align terminology with that used in Part VI of the ICAO Manual of ATS Data Link Applications (ADSP/4), e.g. replace ICAO Facility Designator, Altitude, etc. |
| AIDC-DF07 | Closed | ICAO Version 1.0 | 3.2.7.1.1 | In ASN.1 description TrackData: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> replace 'speddGround' by 'speedGround', add a coma after [3] SpeedGround |
| AIDC-DF08 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.6.1.8.2.1 (b) | Replace 'AIDC-nfy-indication' by 'AIDC-crd-start indication'. |
| AIDC-DF09 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | Table 3.2.6-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The re-coordinate cases are not covered for t_{1CT} and t_{2CT}. Add a fourth bullet to read: AIDC-crd-start Req or Ind' to the column 'Timer Stop Event' in the rows for t_{1CT} and t_{2CT}. Correct the spellings 'complementary' and 'primitive' throughout this table. |

| Defect Report Number | Status | Version | Section | Summary |
|----------------------|--------|------------------|--|---|
| AIDC-DF10 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.3.8.1 | Replace 'notification' by 'notifying' |
| | | | 3.2.4.2.14.1.1 | Replace 'is' by 'shall be' |
| | | | 3.2.4.3.2.2, 3.2.4.3.2.2.1, 3.2.4.3.2.2.2, 3.2.4.3.2.2.2.1 | Renumber respectively 3.2.4.3.2.1.1, 3.2.4.3.2.1.2, 3.2.4.3.2.1.3, 3.2.4.3.2.1.3.1 |
| | | | 3.2.4.3.3.1.1 | Replace 'is' by 'shall be' |
| | | | 3.2.5.3.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace 'Note' (2 occurrences) by 'Note 1' and Note 2' Replace 'ACMP' by 'ACPM' |
| | | | 3.2..6.1.33.1. b), 2), vi) | Replace numbering D), E), III), IV), respectively by A), B), I), II) |
| | | | 3.2.6.1.39.2.1, b) | Replace 'stopp' and 'timmers' respectively by 'stop' and 'timers' |
| AIDC-DF11 | Closed | ICAO version 1.0 | 3.2.2.2.1 and 3.2.2.2.2 | '[4]' is not the right way to refer to section 4 (ie, ULCS) of the SARPs: in 3.2.2.2.1 and 3.2.2.2.2, it should be just '4'. |
| | | | 3.2.3.3.6 | Should be 'Recommendation.— ...' |
| | | | 3.2.3.8.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace 'Note' by 'Note 1' Add missing 'Note 2' Add missing section '3.2.3.8.1.1.2' |
| | | | 3.2.4.1 | After the first note, replace 'a)' by '3.2.4.1.1' and 'b)' by '3.2.4.1.1.1' |
| | | | 3.2.5.1 | In the note, delete the apostrophe '... and service mapping ² s. ...'. |
| | | | 3.2.5.1.1.2 | Correct 3.2.5.1.1.2 as follows: 3.2.5.3.1.1.2 The association establishment and release between peer AIDC-AEs shall be performed by invoking the primitives of ACSE. |
| | | | 3.2.5.3.4.1.3 | Renumber '3.2.5.3.4.1.2.1' |
| | | | 3.2.6.1 | Replace '!= ' (not-equal sign) by '≠' (3 occurrences) |
| | | | 3.2.6.1.4 | Add a second comma in the note after P1 |
| | | | 3.2.6.1.39.2.1 a) | Add ':' after 'abstract value' |
| | | | 3.2.6.1.6.2.1 | Delete one of two 'the's in item 3.2.6.1.6.2.1 (a). |
| | | | 3.2.6.2.1.1 c) | Replace 'et to' by 'set to' |

| Defect Report Number | Status | Version | Section | Summary |
|----------------------|--------|---------|--|---|
| | | | 3.2.6.2.2.1 a) | Replace 'an' by 'any' |
| | | | 3.2.6.2.3 | Renumber following section '3.2.6.2.3.1' instead of '3.2.6.2.2.1' |
| | | | 3.2.6.2.3.1 b) | Insert 'with the' after 'primitive', delete comma |
| | | | 3.2.6.3 | Renumber following sections respectively '3.2.6.3.1', '3.2.6.3.2' and '3.2.6.3.2.1' instead of '3.2.6.2.1', '3.2.6.2.2' and '3.2.6.2.2.1' |
| | | | Second occurrence of '3.2.6.3' (State Table) | Renumber '3.2.6.4' and following sections respectively '3.2.6.4.1', '3.2.6.4.2' and '3.2.6.4.3' instead of '3.2.6.3.1', '3.2.6.3.2' and '3.2.6.3.3' |
| | | | 3.2.7.1.1 | In the AIDC definition of 'ErrorCode', replace 'nvalid Registration' by 'invalid Registration' |
| | | | 3.2.8.1.1 | Change 3.2.8.1.1 to match the accepted wording in other sub-volumes: 3.2.8.1.1 The AIDC application shall use PER as defined in reference [4] ISO/IEC 8825-2, using the Basic Unaligned variant to encode/decode the ASN.1 message structure and content specified in 3.2.7- or a functionally equivalent means which provides the same result. |
| | | | 3.2.8.2 | In 3.2.8.2, correct various typos and references to other SARPs "sub-volumes" as follows, bearing in mind that Notes 'state' rather than 'specify'. |
| | | | 3.2.8.2.3 | Renumber following sections '3.2.8.2.3.1' and '3.2.8.2.3.2' instead of '3.2.8.2.2.1' and '3.2.8.2.2.2' |
| | | | 3.2.9.4.2.3 | In 3.2.9.4.2.3, remove the comma in '... in indication service primitives shall ...'. |

7. ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS

7.1 Achievement of Validation Objective SVO1

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|------|--|------------|
| SVO1 | To determine which System Level Requirements (which are based in particular on operational requirements within the <i>ICAO Draft Manual of ATS Data Link Applications</i>) are satisfied by the functional descriptions in combination with the user requirements and recommended practices of the SARPs. | Achieved |

7.1.1 User Requirements fulfilled by the AIDC Application SARPs

The following user requirements within the Draft ICAO Manual for ATS Data link Applications are fulfilled by the AIDC Application SARPs.

Flight Notification

This function allows the Controlling ATS Unit (C-ATSU) to notify the Downstream ATS Unit (D-ATSU) of a flight's cleared profile some time before the flight enters the D-ATSU's area of interest. This function may be initiated a multiple number of times for the same flight, depending on the number and type of changes made to the flight's cleared profile.

Flight Co-ordination

This function allows the C-ATSU to co-ordinate the conditions of transfer for a flight with a D-ATSU.

Transfer of Control

This function allows the C-ATSU to transfer control authority for a flight to the R-ATSU and allows the R-ATSU to accept the control authority for the flight.

Transfer of Communication

This function allows one of the following to take place:

- the C-ATSU to offer the control authority and communications authority for a flight to the R-ATSU and the R-ATSU to accept the control and communications authority for the flight; or
- the R-ATSU to take the control authority and communications authority for a flight.

Transfer of Surveillance Data

This function allows an ATSU1 to transfer surveillance data to an ATSU2.

General Information Interchange

This function allows an ATSU1 to exchange general flight related data, including free text messages, with an ATSU2.

7.1.2 System Level Requirements fulfilled by the AIDC Application SARPs

The following System Level Requirements are fulfilled by the AIDC Application SARPs:

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|--|--|
| OSI Standard | The Draft SARPs for AIDC are based on ISO OSI Standards, using the ATN Upper Layer Architecture which itself meets this requirement; |
| Authorised Paths | The Draft SARPs for AIDC enables the exchange of tactical control information between two ATSU's when an authorised path exists between these ATSU's; |
| ATSC Traffic Classes | As allowed by the ATN, the AIDC application does not express any preference in terms of ATSC Traffic Class since this application makes only use of ground subnetworks which are not subject to major bandwidth limitations; |
| Communications Priorities | The communication priority assigned to AIDC is: "Normal Priority, Flight Safety Messages"; |
| Peer Information Exchange | The Draft SARPs for AIDC enables the exchange of tactical control information between peer AIDC applications when an authorised path exists between these applications; |
| Lack of Path Notification | The AIDC application is notified when no authorised path exists between peer applications by means of a Service Provider Abort indication; |
| Unambiguous Addressing | AIDC is an ATN application which relies on the ATN naming and addressing plan; |
| Originator Identification | The AIDC application maintains a strict correspondence between originator and recipient within a given flight related dialogue; |
| Addressing and Name Assignments | AIDC is an ATN application which relies on the ATN naming and addressing plan; |
| Fixed and Mobile Systems | AIDC is strictly an ATN ground application between fixed systems; |
| Exchange of Address | The AIDC application relies on the ATN Upper Layer Communication Services which enables the exchange of application address information; |
| AIDC Association | The AIDC application is capable of establishing, maintaining, releasing and aborting peer-to-peer application associations; |
| UTC Reference | All dates and times referenced in the AIDC application are expressed as UTC. |

7.2 Achievement of Validation Objective SVO2

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|---|
| SVO2 | To determine if the CNS/ATM-1 Package applications specifications are mutually consistent. | Achieved Application specifications in the SARPs are consistent with other applications, since there is no direct relationship with other CNS/ATM-1 Package applications, and thus no risk of inconsistency. |

7.3 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO1

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|--|
| FVO1 | To determine if the functional descriptions in the SARPs are compatible with the technical requirements. | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no incompatibility has been reported as detected, nor any defect report been generated in this area. |

7.4 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO2

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|---|
| FVO2 | To determine if the user requirements and recommended practices are compatible with the technical requirements. | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, the comments/defects reported in relation with this VO have been analysed and taken into account where appropriate. |

7.5 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO3

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|---|
| FVO3 | To determine if the SARPs are complete | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, the comments/defects reported in relation with this VO have been analysed and taken into account where appropriate. |

7.6 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO4

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|---|
| FVO4 | To determine if the SARPs are unambiguous | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, the comments/defects reported in relation with this VO have been analysed and taken into account where appropriate. |

7.7 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO5

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|---|
| FVO5 | To determine if the SARPs are consistent | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, the comments/defects reported in relation with this VO have been analysed and taken into account where appropriate. |

7.8 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO6

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|--|
| FVO6 | To determine if there are requirements in the SARPs which would have no effect if removed. | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no defect has been reported as detected. |

7.9 Achievement of Validation Objective FVO7

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
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| FVO7 | To determine if provision has been made to ensure that the SARPs are implementation independent | Achieved. The AIDC SARPs model the AIDC application using the OSI Extended Application Layer Structure which enables the development of independent implementations. Upon completion of the SARPs inspection and analyses process by several parties, no defect has been reported in this area. |

7.10 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO1

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|---|
| TVO1 | To determine if the protocol description supports the end-to-end services | Achieved. OLDI is a long existing operational application in the EUR Region which enables automatic exchange of co-ordination data between ATC computer systems. A one-to-one relationship exists between OLDI messages and AIDC services and the sequencing of OLDI messages and of AIDC services is the same. The modelling of an AIDC ATSU and of an OLDI ATSU in terms of message/service sequencing and timers have proven that there is a high level of interoperability between OLDI and AIDC implementations. Taking into account the interoperability between OLDI and AIDC implementations, TVO1 is considered to be achieved. |

7.11 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO2

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|--|
| TVO2 | To determine if the protocol has unacceptable behaviour | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no defect has been reported. |

7.12 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO3

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|--|---|
| TVO3 | To determine is the abstract service interface parameters are mapped appropriately to PDU fields and/or communication service interface parameters, and vice versa | Achieved. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no defect has been reported as detected. In addition, the comparison of AIDC APDU content with OLDI Message content has not generated any defect report in relation to this VO. |

7.13 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO4

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|--|
| TVO4 | To determine if protocol errors in the peer application are correctly handled | Partly achieved. The functional modelling of the AIDC application has not generated any defect report in relation to this VO. Complete achievement of this VO is subject to prototype implementations to be developed and tested. |

7.14 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO5

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
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| TVO5 | To determine if the SARPs are consistent with the upper layer architecture to the extent that this is a requirement, e.g. use of the Dialogue Service, application of the control function | Achieved. The AIDC SARPs model the AIDC application using the OSI Extended Application Layer Structure. The specification of the AIDC Control Function is consistent with the use of the Dialogue Service. |

7.15 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO6

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|--|
| TVO6 | To determine if the APDUs are correctly specified | Achieved. After compilation of the ASN.1 specification contained in the SARPs and inspection/analysis by several parties, the comments/defects reported in relation with this VO have been analysed and taken into account where appropriate. |

7.16 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO7

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|---|
| TVO7 | To determine if provision for QOS management has been addressed | Achieved. QOS management is not a function of the AIDC SARPs. However the AIDC SARPs have been checked in order to determine that the QOS parameters to be passed to the ATN Transport Service are properly specified. |

7.17 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO8

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
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| TVO8 | To determine if provision for future migration has been addressed | Achieved. This results from the use of the ATN Upper Layer Communication Services. Additionally, extensibility markers have been inserted in the AIDC message definitions. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no defect has been reported. |

7.18 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO9

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|-------------|---|---|
| TVO9 | To determine if efficiency requirements have been addressed, e.g. minimising size of data transfer, appropriate maintenance of dialogue | Achieved. This results from the use of the ATN Upper Layer Communication Services. After inspection and analysis of the SARPs by several parties, no defect has been reported. |

7.19 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO10

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|--------------|---|---|
| TVO10 | To determine that the functionality described in the SARPs is implementable | Partly achieved by partial implementations of AIDC (i.e. OLDI). The functionality described in the AIDC SARPs is largely similar to the functionality of OLDI which is a long existing operational application in the EUR Region. OLDI implementations cover a large proportion of the functions of the AIDC application as specified in the SARPs. In addition, the AIDC SARPs highly rely on the ULA for which TVO10 has been achieved. Complete achievement of this VO is subject to prototype implementations to be developed and tested. |

7.20 Achievement of Validation Objective TVO11

| VO | VO Description | Conclusion |
|--------------|---|--|
| TVO11 | To determine that independent implementations built in accordance with the SARPs will be able to interoperate | Partly achieved Interoperability between OLDI and AIDC implementations has been proven through the use of modelling and simulation technique. Complete achievement of this VO is subject to prototype implementations to be developed and tested. |