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1 Scope

The present document defines the Stage 2 architecture, procedures and services to support service based short message service (SMS) in 5G system (5GS).

2 References

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- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [2] 3GPP TS 23.040: "Technical realization of the Short Message Service (SMS)".
- [3] 3GPP TS 23.501: "System architecture for the 5G System (5GS); Stage 2".
- [4] 3GPP TS 23.502: "Procedures for the 5G System (5GS); Stage 2".
- [5] 3GPP TS 23.632: "User data interworking, coexistence and migration; Stage 2".
- [6] 3GPP TS 29.540: "5G System; SMS Services; Stage 3".
- [7] 3GPP TS 29.503: "5G System; Unified Data Management Services; Stage 3".
- [8] 3GPP TS 24.011: "Point-to-Point (PP) Short Message Service (SMS) support on mobile radio interface".
- [9] 3GPP TS 29.573: "5G System; Public Land Mobile Network (PLMN) Interconnection; Stage 3".
- [10] 3GPP TS 29.510: "5G System; Network Function Repository Services; Stage 3".
- [11] 3GPP TS 29.500: "5G System; Technical Realization of Service Based Architecture; Stage 3".
- [12] IETF RFC 6116: "The E.164 to Uniform Resource Identifiers (URI) Dynamic Delegation Discovery System (DDDS) Application (ENUM)".
- [13] IETF RFC 4002: "IANA Registration for Enumservice 'web' and 'ft'".
- [14] IETF RFC 6118: "Update of Legacy IANA Registrations of Enumservices".
- [15] 3GPP TS 23.204: "Support of Short Message Service (SMS) over generic 3GPP Internet Protocol (IP) access; Stage 2".

3 Definitions of terms and abbreviations

3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the terms 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].

alert-SC: service element provided by a GSM/UMTS/EPS/5GS PLMN to inform an SC which has previously initiated unsuccessful short message delivery attempt(s) to a specific MS/UE, that the MS/UE is now recognized by the PLMN to have recovered operation.

Gateway MSC For Short Message Service (SMS-GMSC): function of an MSC capable of receiving a short message from an SC, interrogating an HLR/HSS/UDM for routing information and SMS info, and delivering the short message to the VMSC/SGSN/MME/SMSF of the recipient MS/UE.

Interworking MSC For Short Message Service (SMS-IWMSC): function of an MSC capable of receiving a short message from within the PLMN and submitting it to the recipient SC.

IP-Short-Message-Gateway (IP-SM-GW): function responsible for protocol interworking between the IP-based UE and the SC.

Service Centre (SC): function responsible for the relaying and store and forwarding of a short message between an SME and an MS/UE.

3.2 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].

GPSI	Generic Public Subscription Identifier
MNPF	Mobile Number Portability Function
MO SMS	Mobile Originated Short Message Service
MT SMS	Mobile Terminated Short Message Service
NAS	Non-Access-Stratum
NP	Number Portability
NRF	Network Repository Function
SBA	Service Based Architecture
SBI	Service Based Interface
SCP	Service Communication Proxy
SMS	Short Message Service
SM MO	Short Message Mobile Originated
SM MT	Short Message Mobile Terminated
SMSF	Short Message Service Function
SMSoNAS	SMS over NAS
UDM	Unified Data Management

4 Architecture to support SBI-based SMS

4.1 Architecture to support SBI-based SMS

Figure 4.1-1 shows the non-roaming architecture to support SBI-based SMS.

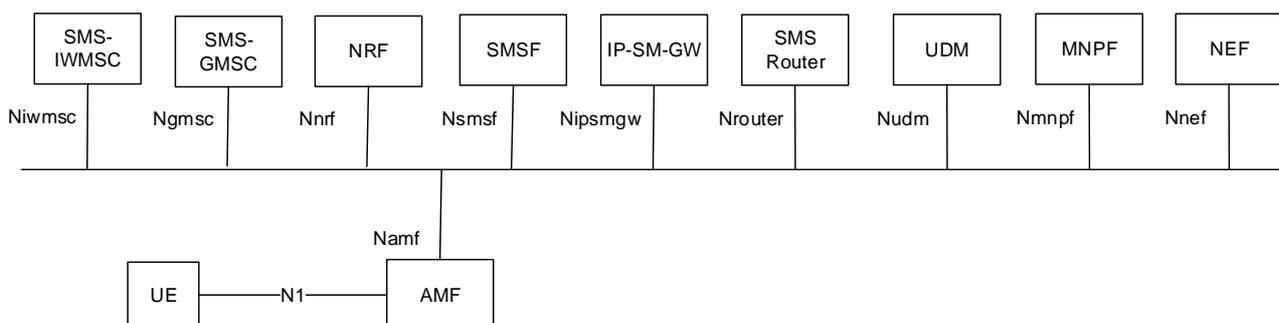


Figure 4.1-1: Non-roaming System Architecture for SBI-based SMS

Figure 4.1-2a, Figure 4.1-2b Figure 4.1-2c and Figure 4.1-2d depict the non-roaming architecture to support SBI-based SMS, using the reference point representation showing how various network functions interact with each other

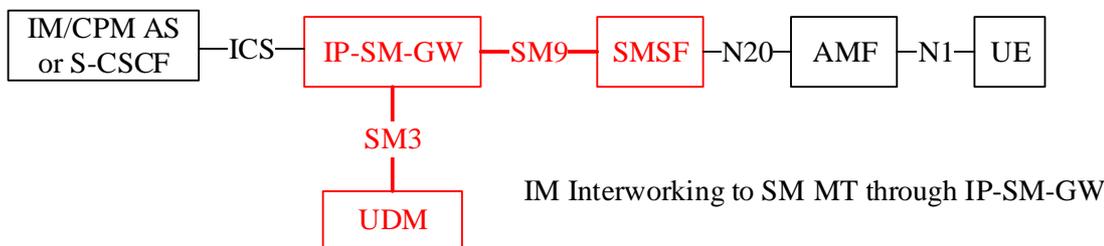
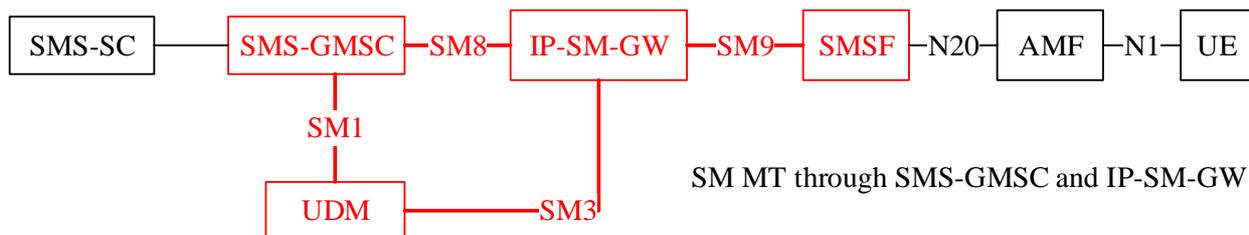
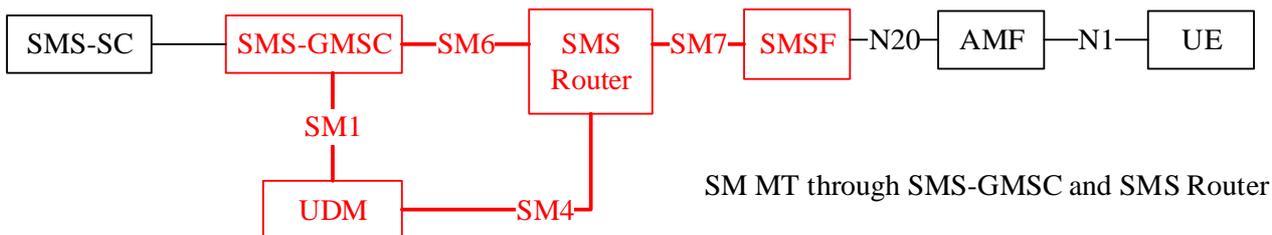
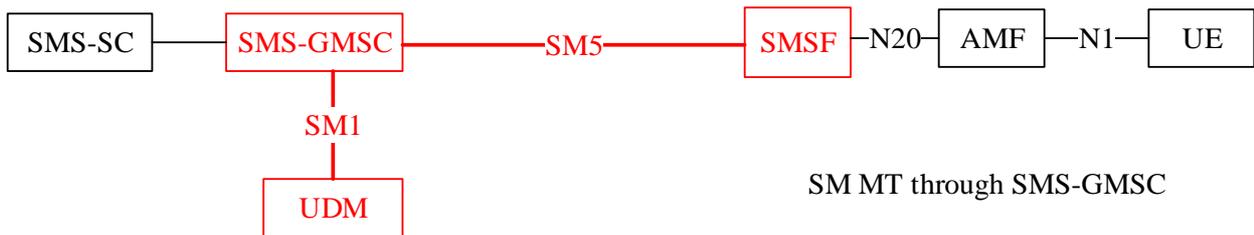


Figure 4.1-2a: Non-roaming System Architecture for SBI-based MT SMS in reference point representation

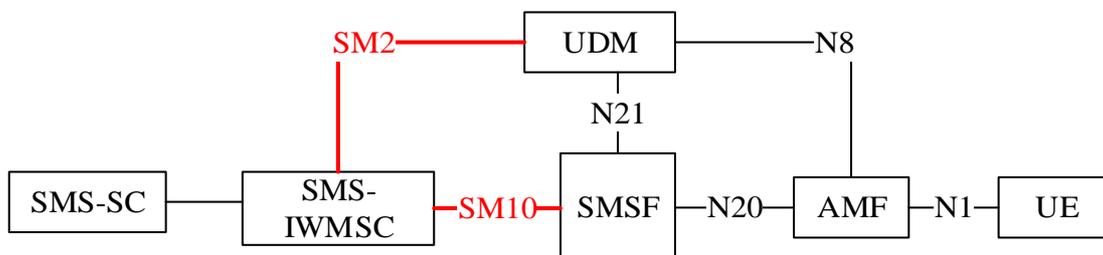


Figure 4.1-2b: Non-roaming System Architecture for SBI-based MO SMS in reference point representation

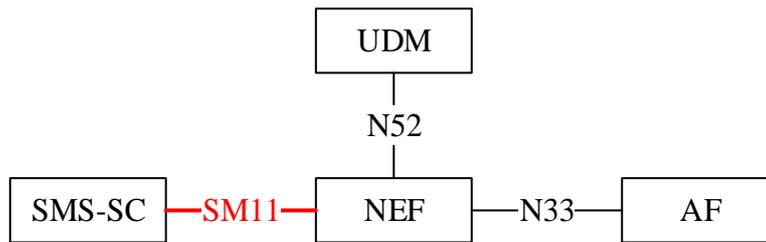


Figure 4.1-2c: Architecture for SBI-based MSISDN-less MO SMS in reference point representation

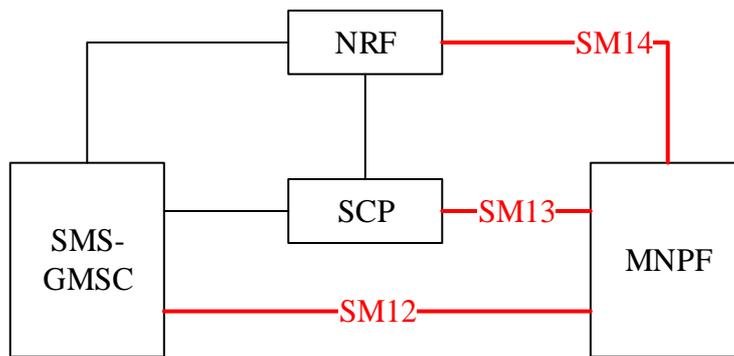


Figure 4.1-2d: Architecture for NP staute Retrieval from MNPF in reference point representation

NOTE 1: The newly introduced reference points for SMS_SBI are marked in red, and numbered from SM1 to SM14.

4.2 Reference point to support SBI-based SMS

Besides the reference point to support SMS over NAS described in clause 4.4.2.2 of TS 23.501 [3], the following reference points are needed to support SBI-based SMS:

- Reference point SM1: Reference point for routing information between SMS-GMSC and UDM.
- Reference point SM2: Reference point between SMS-IWMSC and UDM.
- Reference point SM3: Reference point for routing information between IP-SM-GW and UDM.
- Reference point SM4: Reference point for routing information between SMS Router and UDM.
- Reference point SM5: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-GMSC and SMSF.
- Reference point SM6: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-GMSC and SMS Router.
- Reference point SM7: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMSF and SMS Router.
- Reference point SM8: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-GMSC and IP-SM-GW.
- Reference point SM9: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMSF and IP-SM-GW
- Reference point SM10: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-IWMSC and SMSF.
- Reference point SM11: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-SC and NEF.
- Reference point SM12: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SMS-GMSC and MNPF.
- Reference point SM13: Reference point for SMS message transfer between SCP and MNPF.
- Reference point SM14: Reference point for SMS message transfer between NRF and MNPF.

4.3 Service based interface to support SBI-based SMS

Besides the service based interfaces to support SMS over NAS described in clause 4.4.2.3 of TS 23.501 [3], the following service based interfaces are needed to support SBI-based SMS.

Nudm: Service-based interface exhibited by UDM

Nnrf: Service-based interface exhibited by NRF

Ngmsc: Service-based interface exhibited by SMS-GMSC

Niwmsc: Service-based interface exhibited by SMS-IWMSC

Nipsmgw: Service-based interface exhibited by IP-SM-GW

Nrouter: Service-based interface exhibited by SMS Router

Nnef: Service-based interface exhibited by NEF

Nmnpf: Service-based interface exhibited by MNPF

5 Procedures for SBI-based SMS

5.1 Procedure for SBI-based MT SMS

5.1.1 General

The procedure is used to support the Mobile Terminated short message transfer for SBI-based interfaces as defined in clause 4.1, which is based on Short message mobile terminated procedure defined in clause 10.1 of 3GPP TS 23.040 [2] and clauses 4.13.3.6, 4.13.3.7 and 4.13.3.8 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

This new services introduced in this procedure can be registered in NRF, and discovered by NF service consumers.

SMSF/SMS Router/IP-SM-GW should indicate whether it supports SMS_SBI or not. For the case of SMSF/IP-SM-GW, "SBI support indication" should be brought when SMSF/IP-SM-GW registers in UDM. For the case of SMS Router, "SBI support indication" should be configured locally in UDM, together with the SMS Router address. UDM stores the "SBI support indication" indication and provides it to the SMS-GMSC during Routing Info retrieval. SMS-GMSC selects legacy or SBI based protocol based on the indication received during Routing Info retrieval.

5.1.2 Successful Mobile Terminated short message transfer without SMS Router/ IP-SM-GW

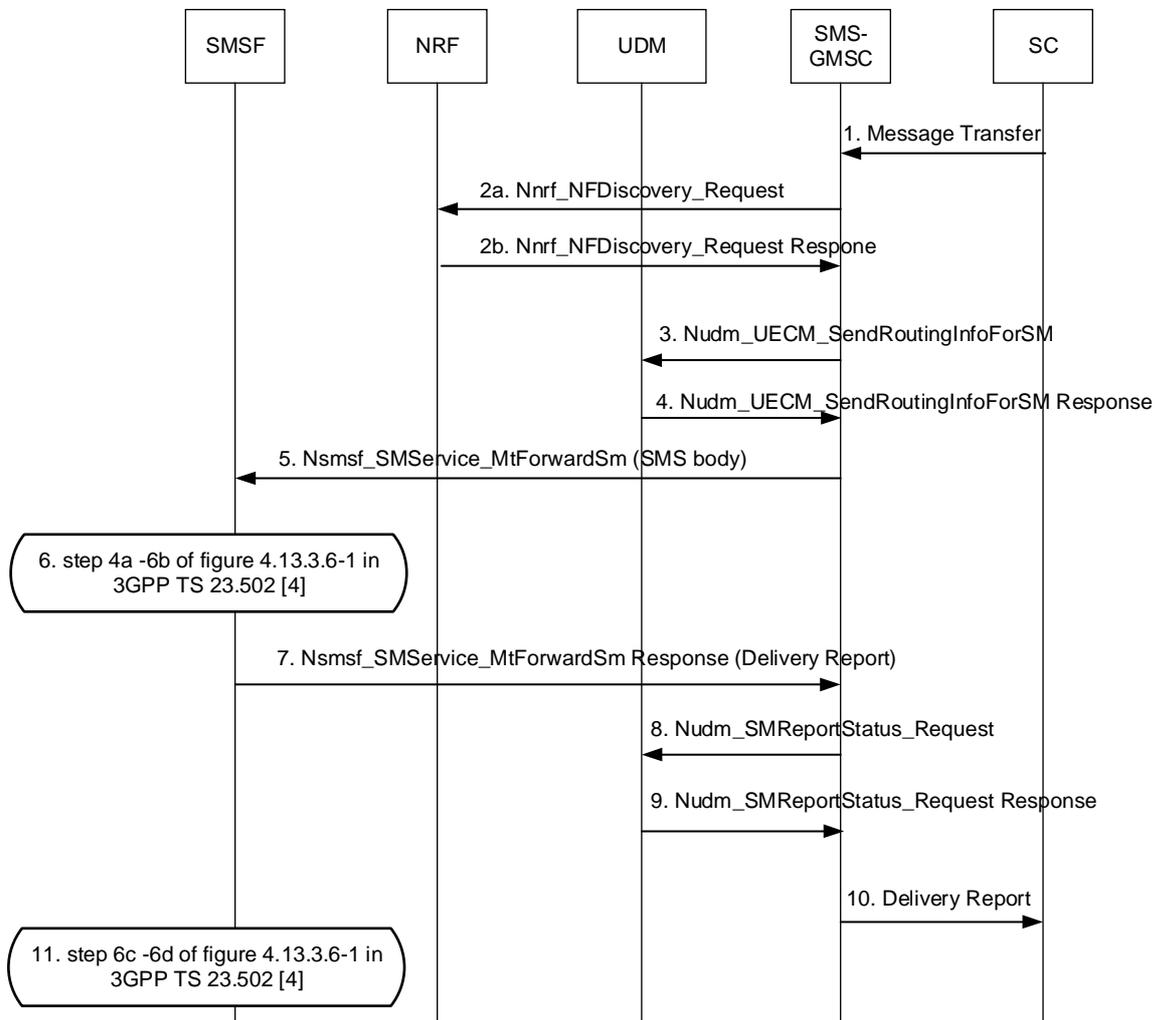


Figure 5.1.2-1: MT SMS over NAS without SMS Router/ IP-SM-GW

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance(s), supporting SMS SBI interfaces, and managing that manages the user subscriptions of the GPSI. The SMS-GMSC may need to retrieve the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI before the discovery of the UDM instance based on the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution procedure defined in clause 5.1.7.
3. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the routing information of the nodes available for MT SMS delivery, in this case the registered serving SMSF instances for all access types for the UE.
4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id and the indication for SMSF SMS_SBI support are included in the response message. The UDM shall include the SMSF for 3GPP access and the SMSF for non-3GPP access separately, if both the SMSFs are currently known to be valid for the UE.

5. The SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the SMSF. If the SMS-GMSC has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then the SMS-GMSC chooses which SMSF address to use first, based on operator local policy.

The SMS-GMSC selects protocol based on the indication for SMSF SMS_SBI support.

If SMSF indicates it supports SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation.

If SMSF indicates that it does not support SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC should forward SMS message to SMSF by legacy MAP/Diameter protocol. And the following steps follow the procedures for legacy MT SMS message transfer, as illustrated in Figure 15a of TS23.040 [2].

6. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
7. The SMSF delivers the delivery report to SMS-GMSC by sending the Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response to the SMS-GMSC.
8. The SMS-GMSC updates the SM-Delivery Report Status to UDM by invoking Nudm_SMReportStatus_Request.
9. UDM responses Nudm_SMReportStatus_Request response to SMS-GMSC.
10. The SMS-GMSC delivers the delivery report to SC as defined in TS 23.040 [2].
11. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 6c to 6d of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

5.1.3 Successful Mobile Terminated short message transfer via SMS Router

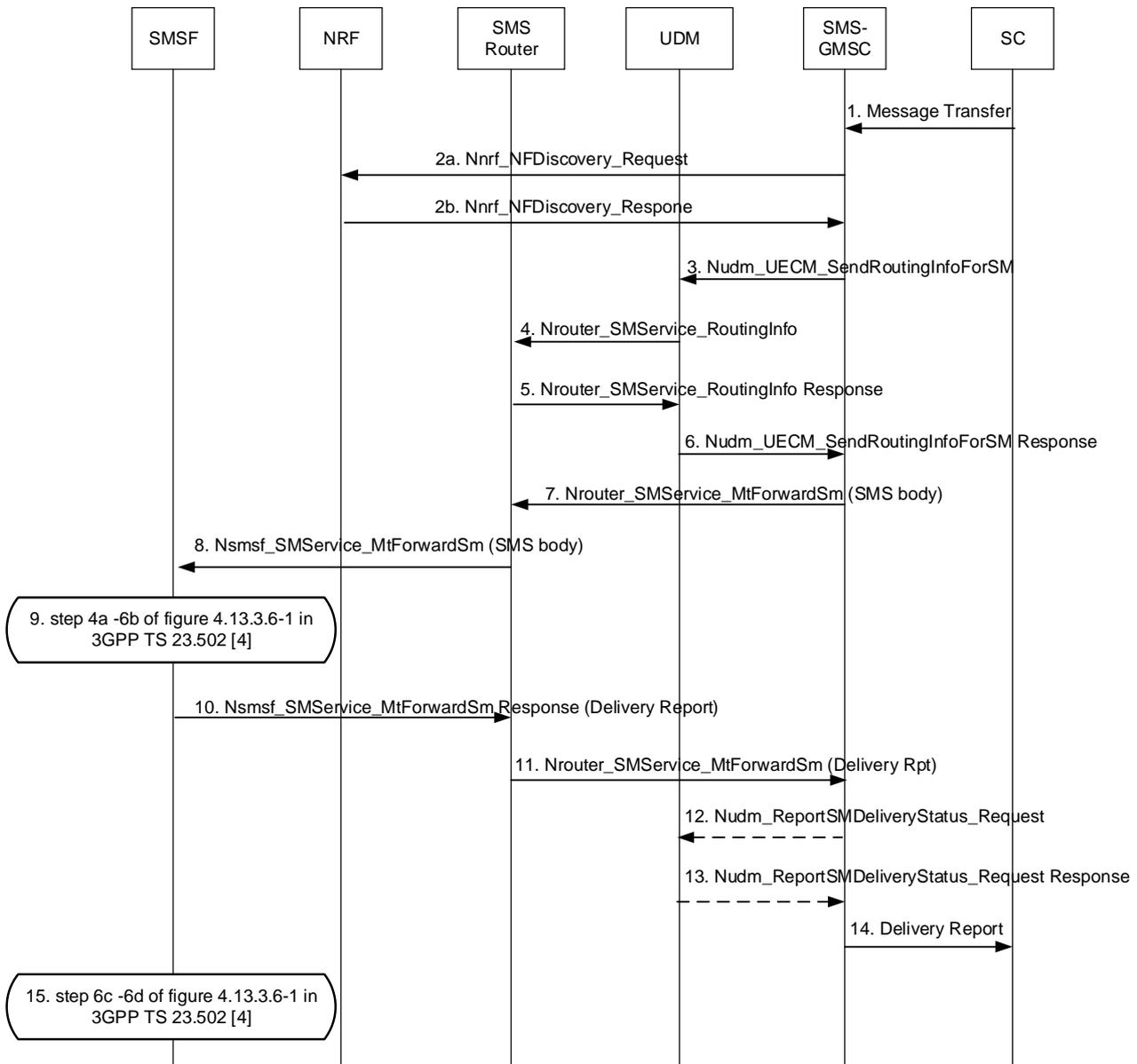


Figure 5.1.3-1: MT SMS over NAS via SMS Router

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance(s), supporting SMS SBI interfaces, and managing that manages the user subscriptions of the GPSI. The SMS-GMSC may need to retrieve the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI before the discovery of the UDM instance based on the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution procedure defined in clause 5.1.7.
3. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node information for all access types for the UE.
4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes, e.g. SMSF. For MT SM transfer via SMS Router, the UDM shall invoke the Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo to provide the SMSF Instance Id to the SMS Router. The address of the SMS Router to be contacted by the UDM may be configured locally.

NOTE: If the SMS Router is SBI-capable, the UDM can use normal SBI-based service discovery to consume its services.

5. The SMS Router shall send Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo response to the UDM.
6. UDM responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, including SMS Router address, the indication for SMSF SMS_SBI support and the indication for SMS Router SMS_SBI support.
- 7-8. The SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the SMS Router, and then SMS Router forwards the SMS message to the SMSF. If the SMS Router has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then the SMS Router chooses which SMSF address to use first, based on operator local policy.

The SMS-GMSC selects protocol based on the indications for SMSF SMS_SBI support and SMS Router SMS_SBI support.

If both SMSF and SMS Router indicate support for SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC discovers the appropriate service instance(s) of the target SMS Router and forwards the SMS message to the SMS Router by invoking Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation. And then the SMS Router forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation.

If SMSF or SMS Router indicates that it does not support SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC should forward SMS message to SMS Router by legacy MAP/Diameter protocol. Then SMS Router forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by legacy MAP/Diameter protocol. The following steps follow the procedures for legacy MT SMS message transfer, as illustrated in Figure 15aa of TS23.040.

9. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 in 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
10. The SMSF delivers the delivery report to SMS Router by sending the Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response to the SMS Router.
11. The SMS Router delivers the delivery report to SMS-GMSC by sending the Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response to the SMS-GMSC.
- 12-13. The SMS-GMSC may report the SM-Delivery Status to the UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request and UDM responses Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request response to SMS-GMSC.
14. The SMS-GMSC delivers the delivery report to SC as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
15. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 6c to 6d of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 in 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

5.1.4 Successful Mobile Terminated short message transfer via IP-SM-GW

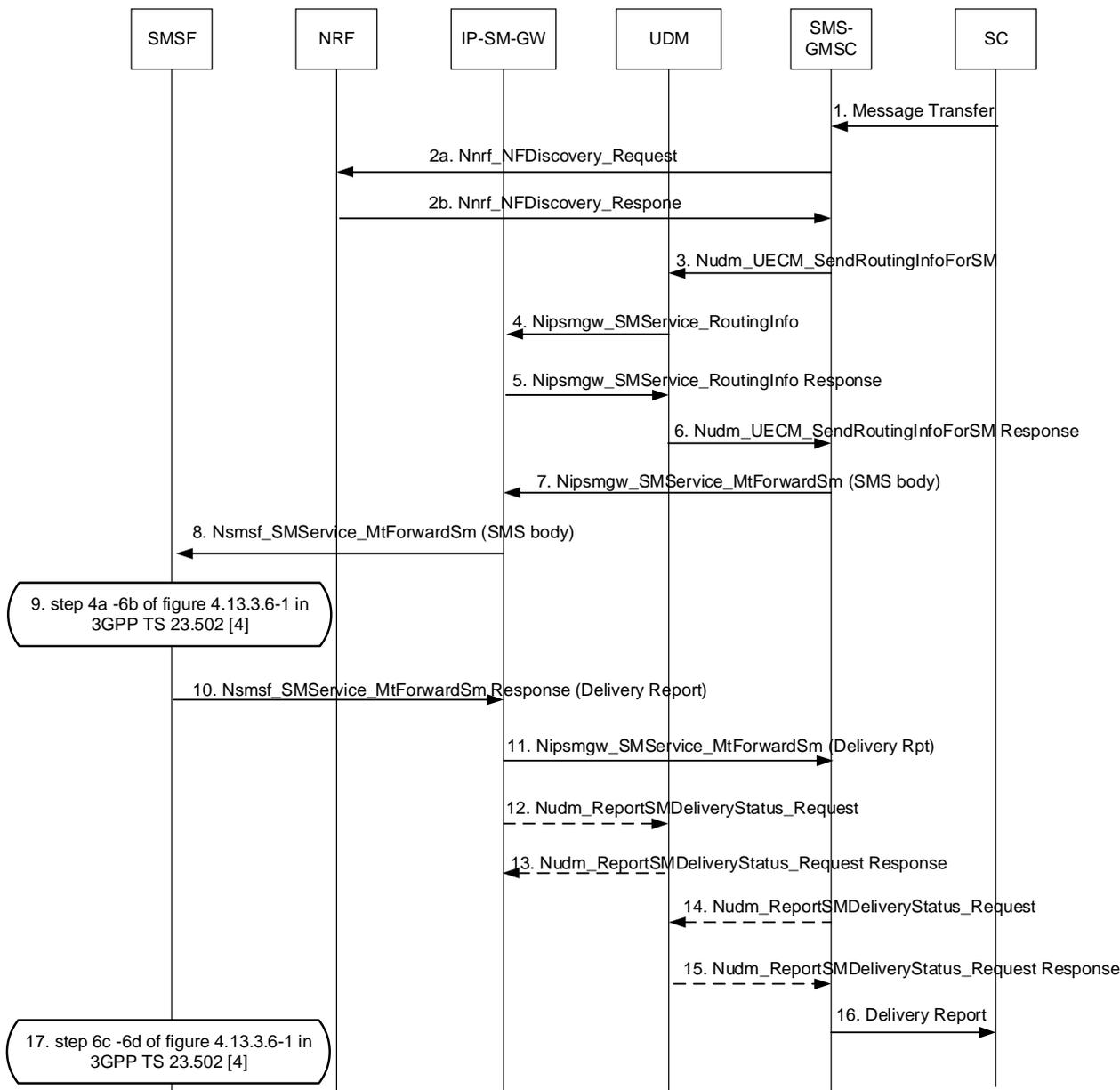


Figure 5.1.4-1: MT SMS over NAS via IP-SM-GW

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance(s), supporting SMS SBI interfaces, and managing that manages the user subscriptions of the GPSI. The SMS-GMSC may need to retrieve the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI before the discovery of the UDM instance based on the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution procedure defined in clause 5.1.7.
3. The SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node information for all access types for the UE.
4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes, e.g. SMSF. For MT SM transfer via IP-SM-GW, the UDM shall invoke the Nipsmgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo to provide the SMSF Instance Id to the IP-SM-GW. The address of the IP-SM-GW to be contacted by the UDM may be

configured locally or may be received from HSS via the Nudm_UECM service for IP-SM-GW registration, containing the registration data provided by the IP-SM-GW.

NOTE: If the IP-SM-GW is SBI-capable, it is expected to provide its NF Instance ID during registration in HSS, so the UDM can use normal SBI-based service discovery to consume IP-SM-GW services.

5. The IP-SM-GW shall send Nipsmgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo response to the UDM.
6. The UDM responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, including IP-SM-GW address, the indication for SMSF SMS_SBI support and the indication for IP-SM-GW SMS_SBI support.
- 7-8. The SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the IP-SM-GW, and then IP-SM-GW performs service authorization and domain selection to determine the domain for delivery of the Short Message as defined in 3GPP TS 23.204 [15]. If the SMSF is selected, the IP-SM-GW forwards the SMS message to the SMSF. If the IP-SM-GW has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then the IP-SM-GW chooses which SMSF address to use first based on operator local policy.

The SMS-GMSC selects protocol based on the indication for SMSF SMS_SBI support and IP-SM-GW SBI support:

If both SMSF and IP-SM-GW indicate support for SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC discovers the appropriate service instance(s) of the target IP-SM-GW and forwards the SMS message to the IP-SM-GW by invoking Nipsmgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation. And then the IP-SM-GW forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation.

If SMSF or IP-SM-GW indicates that it does not support SMS_SBI, SMS-GMSC should forward SMS message to IP-SM-GW by legacy MAP/Diameter protocol. Then IP-SM-GW forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by legacy MAP/Diameter protocol. The following steps follow the procedures for legacy MT SMS message transfer, as illustrated in Figure 15aa of TS23.040 [2].

9. The MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is the same as in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
10. The SMSF delivers the delivery report to the IP-SM-GW by sending the Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response to the IP-SM-GW.
11. The IP-SM-GW delivers the delivery report to the SMS-GMSC by sending the Nipsmgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response to the SMS-GMSC.
12. The IP-SM-GW may report the SM-Delivery Status to the UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request.
13. The UDM responds with Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request response to the IP-SM-GW.
- 14-15. The SMS-GMSC may report the SM-Delivery Status to the UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request and the UDM shall ignore the information provided in this report.
16. The SMS-GMSC delivers the delivery report to the SC as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
17. The MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is the same as in step 6c to 6d of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

5.1.5 Unsuccessful Mobile Terminated short message transfer without SMS Router/IP-SM-GW

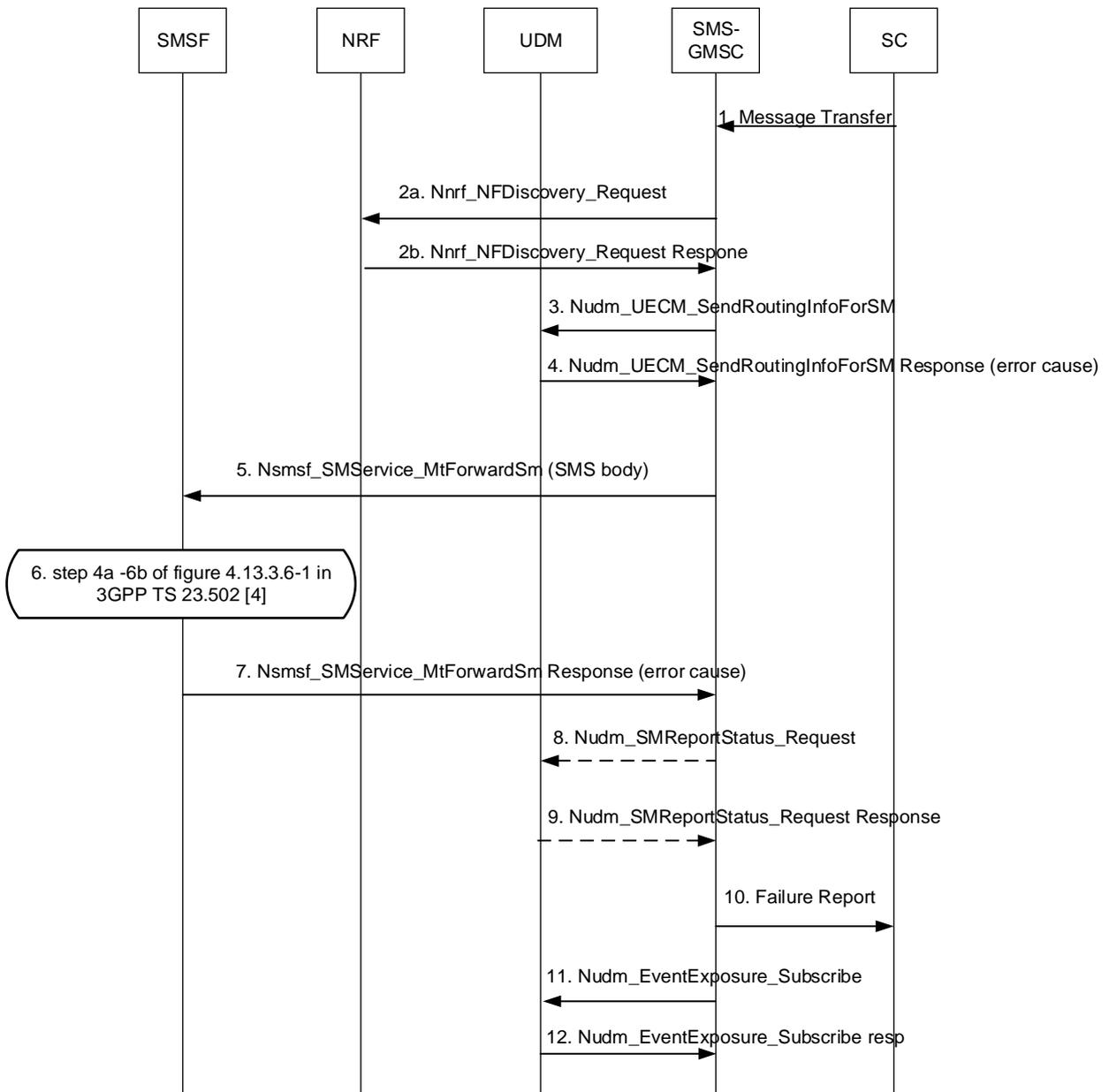


Figure 5.1.5-1: Unsuccessful MT SMS over NAS without SMS Router/ IP-SM-GW

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance(s), supporting SMS SBI interfaces, and managing that manages the user subscriptions of the GPSI. If there is no available UDM returned from NRF, the SMS-GMSC may send error response to the SC.
3. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the routing information of the nodes available for MT SMS delivery, in this case the registered serving SMSF instance for all access types for UE.

4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes. If the UDM is failed at this step, e.g. user not found in the UDM, the UDM shall respond to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response with error cause. If there is no target node address registered in the UDM, a response with error case indicating absent subscriber for SM is sent to the SMS-GMSC and the procedure continues in step 11.
5. If successful response is returned in step 4, the SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation. If the SMS-GMSC has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then the SMS-GMSC chooses which SMSF address to use first based on operator local policy.
6. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
7. If the AMF informs the SMSF that it cannot deliver the MT-SMS to the UE in step 6, e.g. UE is not reachable, or the SMSF is failed at this step, e.g. memory capacity exceeded, the SMSF shall send the Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response with error cause to the SMS-GMSC.

If the SMS-GMSC has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then upon receiving MT-SMS failure report, the SMS-GMSC, based on operator local policy, may re-attempt the MT-SMS delivery via the other SMSF. If MT-SMS delivery also fails over the other SMSF, then the SMS-GMSC continues with step 8.

8. The SMS-GMSC may report the SM-Delivery Status (e.g. UE is not reachable or memory capacity exceeded) to UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request.
9. UDM responses Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request response to SMS-GMSC.
10. The SMS-GMSC sends the failure report to SC as defined in TS 23.040 [2].
11. The SMS-GMSC subscribes in UDM to be notified when the UE becomes reachable for SMS (i.e. when the UE gets in radio contact with the AMF while an SMSF is actually registered, or when an SMSF gets registered) by using the Nudm_EventExposure_Subscribe service operation for Reachability for SMS event as defined in 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
12. If applicable, the UDM subscribes to UE reachability notification in the AMF(s) using the Namf_EventExposure service and sets the relevant reachability flags. The UDM acknowledges the event subscription created by the SMS-GMSC.

5.1.6 Unsuccessful Mobile Terminated short message transfer via IP-SM-GW

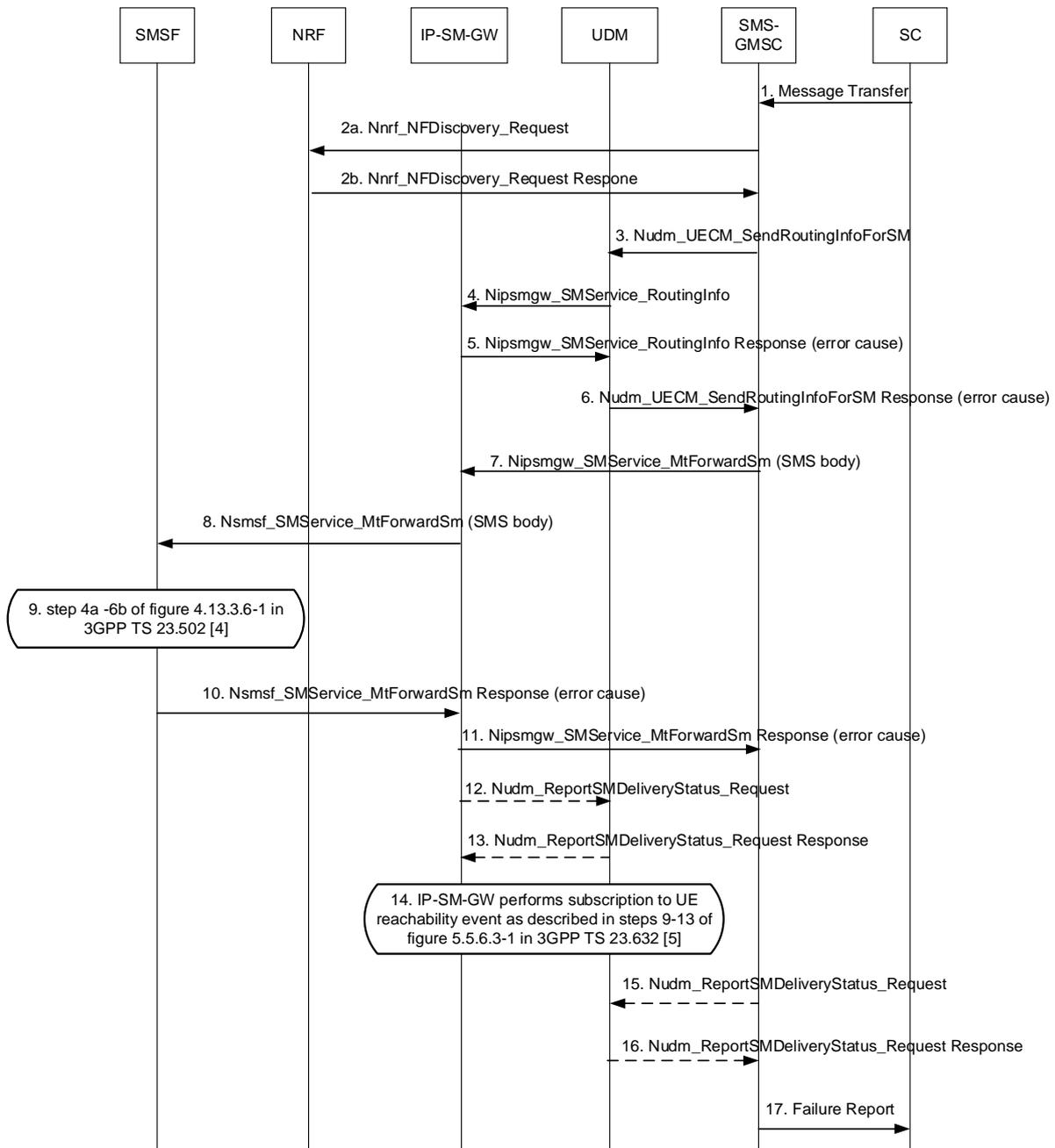


Figure 5.1.6-1: Unsuccessful MT SMS over NAS via IP-SM-GW

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance(s), supporting SMS SBI interfaces, and managing that manages the user subscriptions of the GPSI. If there is no available UDM returned from NRF, the SMS-GMSC may send error response to the SC.
3. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node information for UE.

4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes, e.g. SMSF. For MT SM transfer via IP-SM-GW, the UDM shall invoke the Nipmsgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo to provide the SMSF Instance Id to the IP-SM-GW. The address of the IP-SM-GW to be contacted by the UDM may be configured locally.
5. If any failure at this step, the IP-SM-GW shall send Nipmsgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo response with error cause to the UDM.
6. If the UDM receives error response from IP-SM-GW in step 5 or UDM is failed after step 3, e.g. user not found in the UDM, the UDM shall respond to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response with error cause. If there is no target node address registered in the UDM, a response with error case indicating absent subscriber for SM is sent to the SMS-GMSC and the procedure continues in step 14.
7. If successful response is returned in step 6, the SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the IP-SM-GW by invoking Nipmsgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation.
8. The IP-SM-GW performs service authorization and domain selection to determine the domain for delivery of the Short Message as defined in 3GPP TS 23.204 [15]. If the SMSF is selected, the IP-SM-GW forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation. If the IP-SM-GW has more than one SMSF address to use for SMS transport towards the UE, then the IP-SM-GW chooses which SMSF address to use first based on operator local policy.
9. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
10. If the AMF informs the SMSF that it cannot deliver the MT-SMS to the UE in step 9, e.g. UE is not reachable, or the SMSF is failed at this step, e.g. memory capacity exceeded, the SMSF shall send the Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response with error cause to the IP-SM-GW.
11. If the IP-SM-GW receives error response from SMSF in step 10 and the IP-SM-GW has tried all selectable domains and accesses or the IP-SM-GW is failed after step 7, the IP-SM-GW shall send the Nipmsgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm response with error cause to the SMS-GMSC.
- 12-13. The IP-SM-GW may report the SM-Delivery Status (e.g. UE is not reachable or memory capacity exceeded) to UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request.
14. The IP-SM-GW subscribes in HSS to be notified when the UE becomes reachable again, and subsequently the HSS subscribes in the UDM to UE reachability for SMS over IP event, as defined in clause 5.5.6 of 3GPP TS 23.632 [5]. If applicable, the UDM subscribes to UE reachability notification in the AMF(s) using the Namf_EventExposure service and sets the relevant reachability flags.
- 15-16. The SMS-GMSC may report the SM-Delivery Status to UDM by invoking Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request and the UDM shall ignore the information provided in this report.
17. If the SMS-GMSC receives error response from IP-SM-GW in step 6 or step 11, the SMS-GMSC sends the failure report to SC as defined in TS 23.040 [2].

5.1.7 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution procedure

5.1.7.1 General

MT SMS delivery procedure requires routing based on the GPSI of the SMS recipient for interactions between the SMS-GMSC and the UDM, e.g., to retrieve the SMS routing information (e.g., the SMSF address) or report delivery status. In case that the SMS recipient belongs to a PLMN different from the PLMN of the SMS sender, the signaling takes place across PLMN borders.

When using service-based interface between the SMS-GMSC and the UDM, if the GPSI is the only known SMS recipient's identifier, the SMS-GMSC needs to determine the target PLMN to be able to interact with the UDM in the home PLMN of the SMS recipient. The SMS-GMSC can determine the target PLMN using one of the following mechanisms:

- GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the NF consumer, described in clause 5.1.7.2.
- GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution using NRF, described in clause 5.1.7.4.

- GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution delegated by SCP, described in clause 5.1.7.3

It is assumed that the domain part in an External Identifier identifies the home PLMN and hence it is not required to determine the target PLMN when the GPSI is an External Identifier. The procedures described in the present clause 5.1.7 apply only when the GPSI is an MSISDN.

NOTE: While these mechanisms are defined to determine the target PLMN for interactions between the SMS entities such as SMS-GMSC and the UDM requiring routing based on the GPSI of the SMS recipient, it can be applicable to any use case and procedure requiring selection of the target PLMN based on GPSI in 5GS.

When the recipient GPSI belongs to the same country as the originating network and MNPF is not implemented in the country, the SMS-GMSC may skip the procedure and may directly discover UDM profile for invoking UDM service operation for routing information retrieval. In this case the SMS-GMSC determines the target PLMN ID from the recipient's GPSI Prefix (e.g. CC+NDC) while sending the discovery request to the NRF.

5.1.7.2 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC

5.1.7.2.1 General

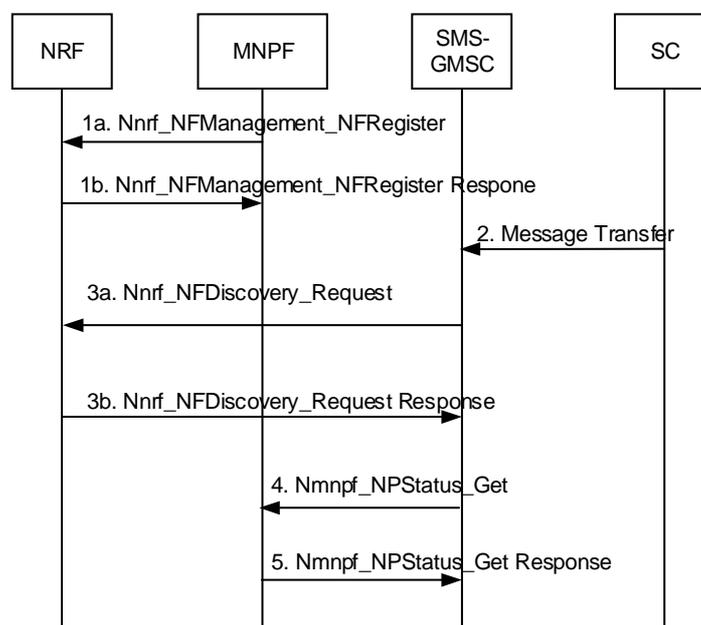


Figure 5.1.7.2-1: GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC

- 1a-1b. The MNPF registers in the NRF with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPF).
2. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 3a-3b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the MNPF instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network. The MNPF may belong to the same PLMN with SMS-GMSC or belong to the number range holder network which is different with the PLMN of SMS-GMSC. In latter case, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
4. SMS-GMSC invokes Nmnpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPF to get the target PLMN ID of the GPSI.
5. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

After step 5, the Mobile Terminated short message transfer procedures defined in clause 5.1 is performed from step 2a. The SMS-GMSC uses the target PLMN ID to discover the UDM NF profile via NRF for sending the routing information query to the UDM. If the target PLMN ID is not own network, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the target PLMN.

5.1.7.2.2 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC for Direct routing

When MNP is implemented in a country or number portability domain with direct routing mechanism, the originating network first does the number portability query to identify the recipient GPSI's subscription PLMN before routing any messages based on GPSI.

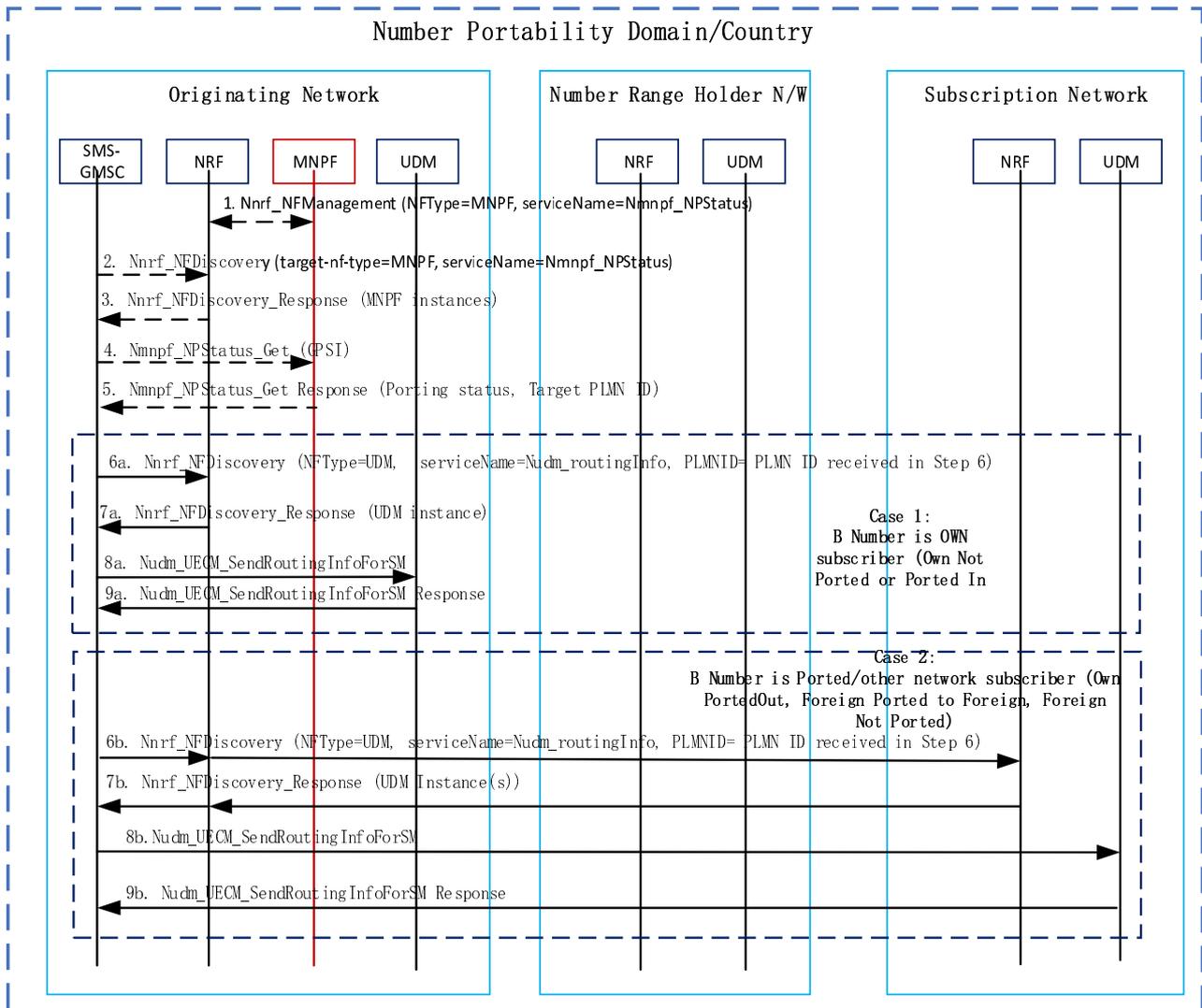


Figure 5.1.7.2.2-1 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC (Direct Routing)

1. If the MNPF is deployed, the MNPF registers in the NRF with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPF).
- 2-3. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the MNPF instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network.
4. SMS-GMSC invokes Nnmpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPF to get the target PLMN ID of the GPSI.
5. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

NOTE: When the recipient GPSI belongs to the same country as the originating network and MNPF is not implemented in the country, the steps 1-5 is skipped. In this case the SMS-GMSC determines the target PLMN ID from the recipient's GPSI Prefix (e.g. CC+NDC) based on local configuration.

- 6-7. SMS-GMSC shall query the NRF to find the UDM instance serving the target PLMN based on target PLMN ID received in step 6. For step 7b-8b, if the target PLMN ID is not the originating network, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the target PLMN.

8-9. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM of the target PLMN to get the serving node instance for UE. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.

5.1.7.2.3 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC for Indirect routing

When MNP is implemented in a country or number portability domain with indirect routing mechanism, the signalling messages are always routed to the number range holder network, the number range holder then performs a number portability check and forwards the request to the subscription network if the number is ported out. For the case of international SMS termination also indirect routing is applied. In the case of international SMS termination, the originating network is outside the number portability domain and may not have any knowledge of whether number portability is implemented in the country of the recipient GPSI.

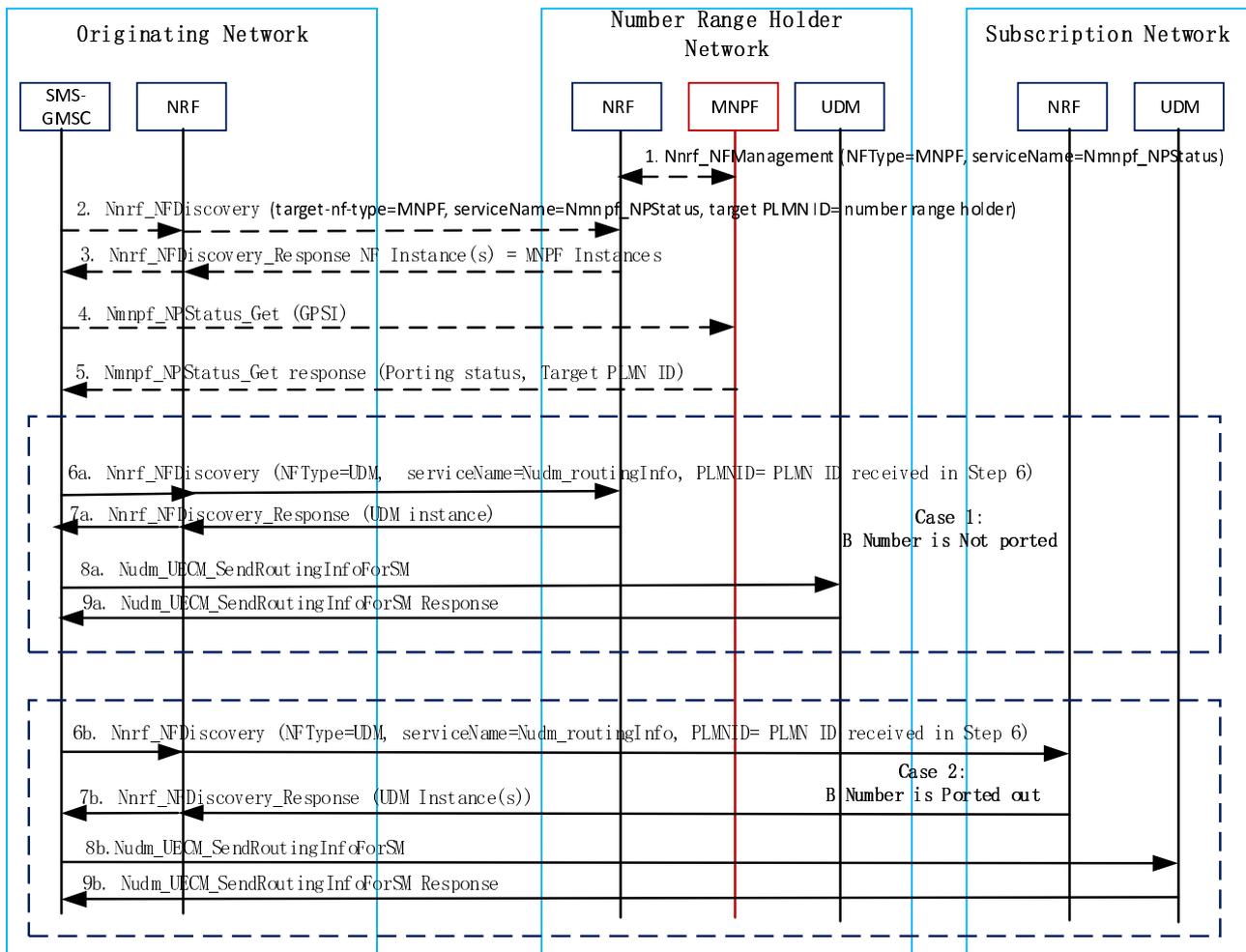


Figure 5.1.7.2.3-1 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution triggered by the SMS-GMSC (Indirect Routing)

1. If the MNPF is deployed in the Number Range Holder PLMN, the MNPF registers in the NRF of the number range holder PLMN with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPF).
- 2-3. The SMS-GMSC should query the local NRF to find the MNPF instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
4. SMS-GMSC invokes Nmnpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPF to get the target PLMN ID of the GPSI.
5. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

NOTE: When the recipient GPSI belongs to the same country as the number range holder network and MNPF is not implemented in the country, the steps 1-5 is skipped. In this case the SMS-GMSC determines the target PLMN ID from the recipient's GPSI Prefix (e.g. CC+NDC) based on local configuration.

6-7. SMS-GMSC shall query the NRF to find the UDM instance serving the target PLMN based on target PLMN ID received in step 6.

- For step 7a-8a, if the target PLMN ID belongs to the number range holder PLMN, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
- For step 7b-8b, if the target PLMN ID belongs to the Subscription PLMN, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the Subscription PLMN.

8-9. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM of the target PLMN to get the serving node instance for UE. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.

5.1.7.3 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution procedure

5.1.7.3.1 General

This procedure is used to retrieve the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI for further discovery of UDM NF profiles for invoking UDM service operation for routing information retrieval. In indirect Communication with Delegated Discovery, the SCP is the service consumer of the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution service in MNPF and routes an SBI message based on GPSI when MNPF is implemented. The SCP shall use the discovery factors (see 3GPP TS 29.500 [11], clause 6.10) provided by the SMS-GMSC to determine when to invoke the MNPF resolution, and to obtain the identity (GPSI) of the recipient.

The SMS-GMSC sends routing information retrieval request to the SCP and the SCP uses the PLMN ID as the target PLMN ID in the discovery request towards NRF to discover the UDM NF profiles in the subscription network of the SMS recipient.

5.1.7.3.2 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPF

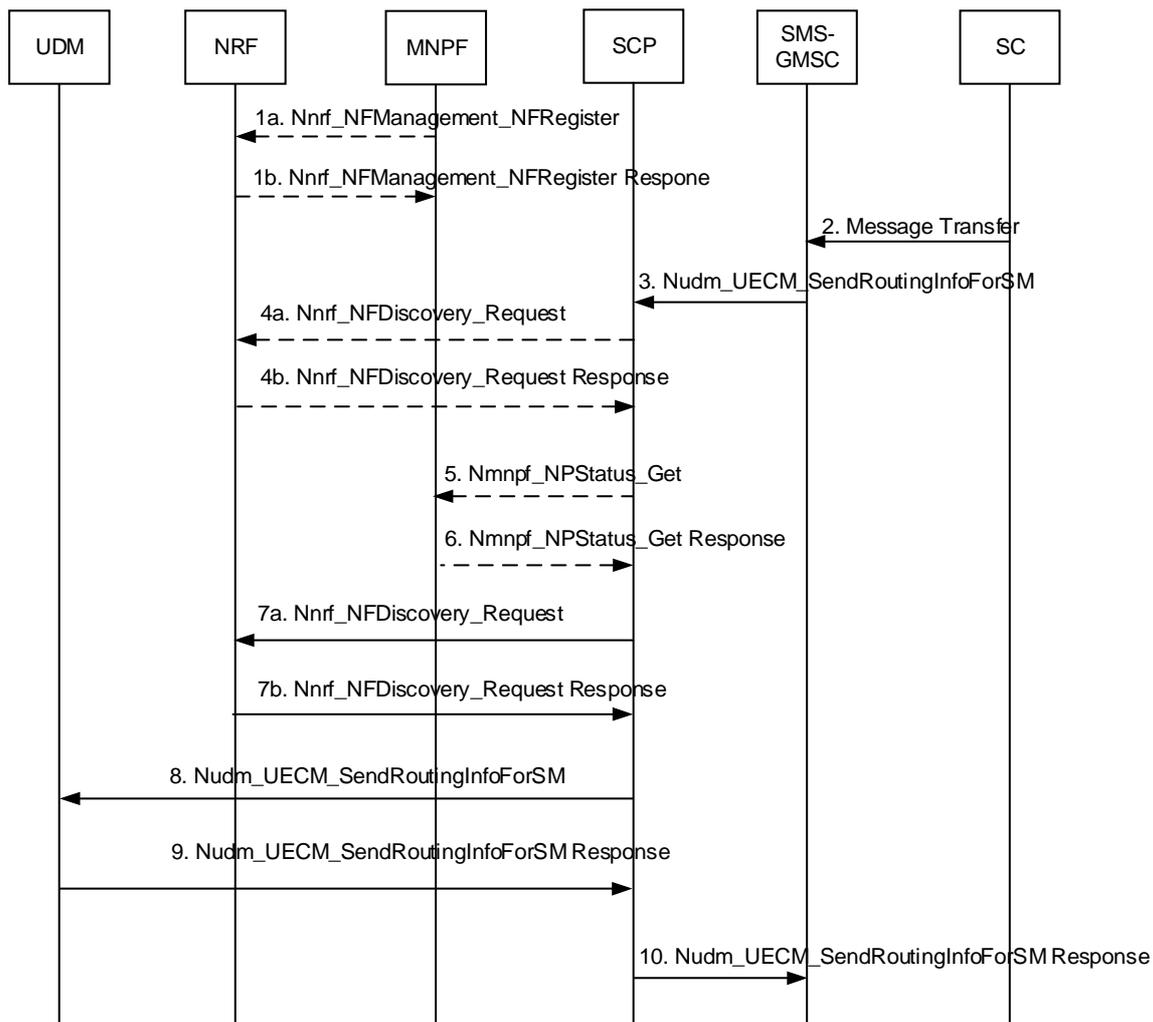


Figure 5.1.7.3.2-1: SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPF

- 1a-1b. If the MNPF is deployed, the MNPF registers in the NRF with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPF).
2. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
3. The SMS-GMSC sends `Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM` to the SCP to get the serving node instance for UE from the UDM. As specified in the Indirect Communication with Delegated Discovery model, the `Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM` shall contain the discovery factors containing the GPSI (pointing to the Number Range Holder Network) and an indicator (i.e. "target-nw-resolution") that Subscription Network resolution is delegated to the SCP. The "target-nw-resolution" may also be sent by an SCP to the next hop SCP. The SCP receives the "target-nw-resolution" shall query the NF service consumer (MNPF) to obtain the PLMN ID of the recipient GPSI's subscription network.
- 4a-4b. The SCP shall query the NRF to find the MNPF instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network. The MNPF may belong to the same PLMN with SMS-GMSC or belong to the number range holder network which is different with the PLMN of SMS-GMSC. In latter case, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
5. The SCP determines the target PLMN of the recipients GPSI's subscription network using the SBI service of the MNPF i.e. the SCP invokes `Nmpf_NPStatus_Get` (GPSI) to the MNPF.
6. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

NOTE: If SCP is co-located with MNPF, steps between SCP and NRF to discover the MNPF, and steps between SCP and MNPF can be skipped.

- 7a-7b. SCP shall query the NRF to find the UDM instance serving the target PLMN based on target PLMN ID received in step 6.
- 8. SCP invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node instance for UE.
- 9. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SCP by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.
- 10. SCP forward the responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response (SMS Router address).

5.1.7.3.3 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with NRF

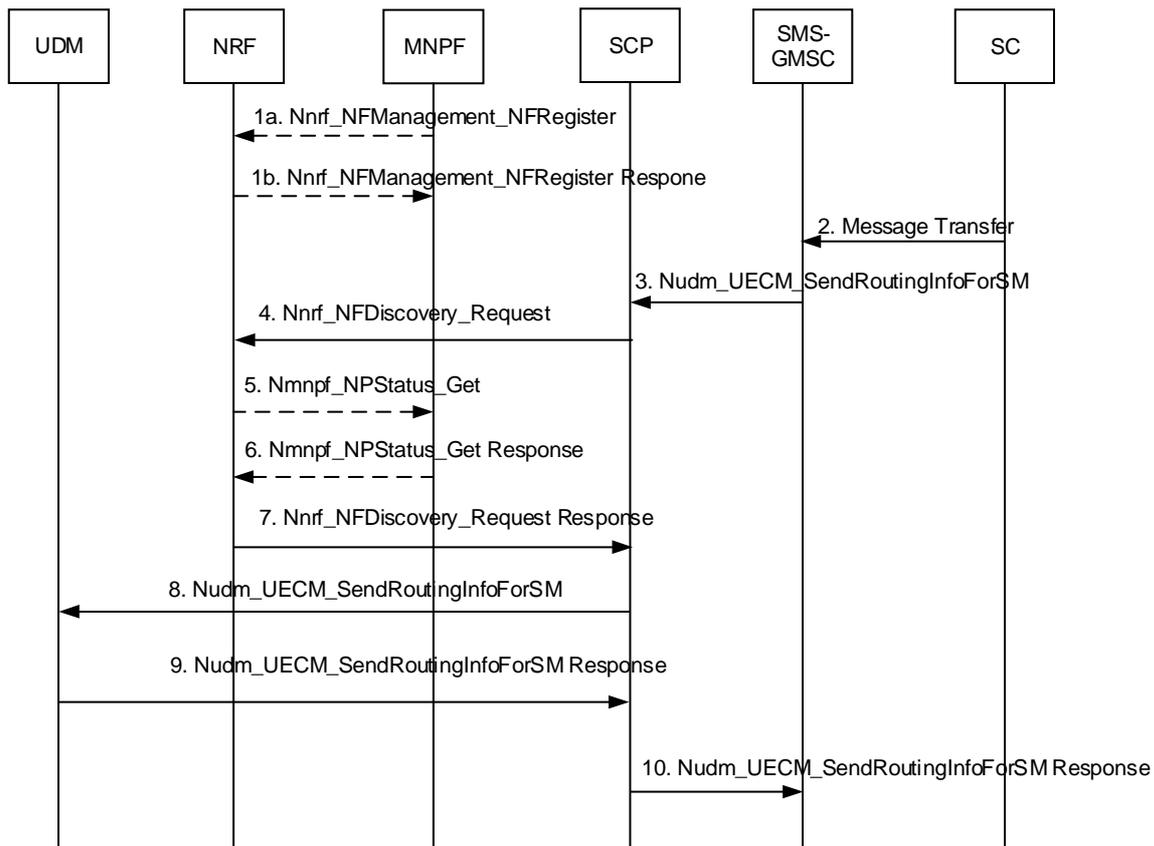


Figure 5.1.7.3.3-1: SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with NRF

- 1a-1b. If the MNPF is deployed, the MNPF registers in the NRF with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPF).
- 2. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 3. The SMS-GMSC sends Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM to the SCP to get the serving node instance for UE from the UDM. The Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM contains the NF service discovery factors with the GPSI (pointing to the Number Range Holder Network) and an indicator (i.e. "target-nw-resolution") indicating that Subscription Network resolution is delegated to the SCP. The "target-nw-resolution" may also be sent by an SCP to the next hop SCP.
- 4. The SCP should query the NRF to find the UDM instance that manages the user subscriptions using the GPSI. The NRF receives the "target-nw-resolution" shall query the NF service consumer (MNPF) to obtain the PLMN ID of the recipient GPSI's subscription network.

5. The NRF determines the target PLMN of the recipients GPSI's subscription network using the SBI service of the MNPF i.e. the NRF invokes Nmnpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPF. As an implementation choice the NRF may determine the target PLMN by other means, e.g. local configuration of ENUM query.
6. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.
7. NRF returns the UDM instance related to the GPSI and target PLMN Id to the SCP. For inter-PLMN discovery, the local NRF shall query the NRF in the target PLMN to find the UDM instance. If there are not NF instances available that can serve the request, the local NRF provides the discovery response indicating the consumer NF to use a legacy interface for the next operation request in the procedure.
8. SCP invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node instance for UE.
9. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SCP by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.
10. SCP forward the responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response (SMS Router address).

5.1.7.3.4 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPF for Direct routing

Figure 5.1.7.3.4-1 shows the procedure for Direct Communication with Delegated Discovery, the SCP is the service consumer of the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution service in MNPF and routes an SBI message based on GPSI when direct routing of MNPF is implemented.

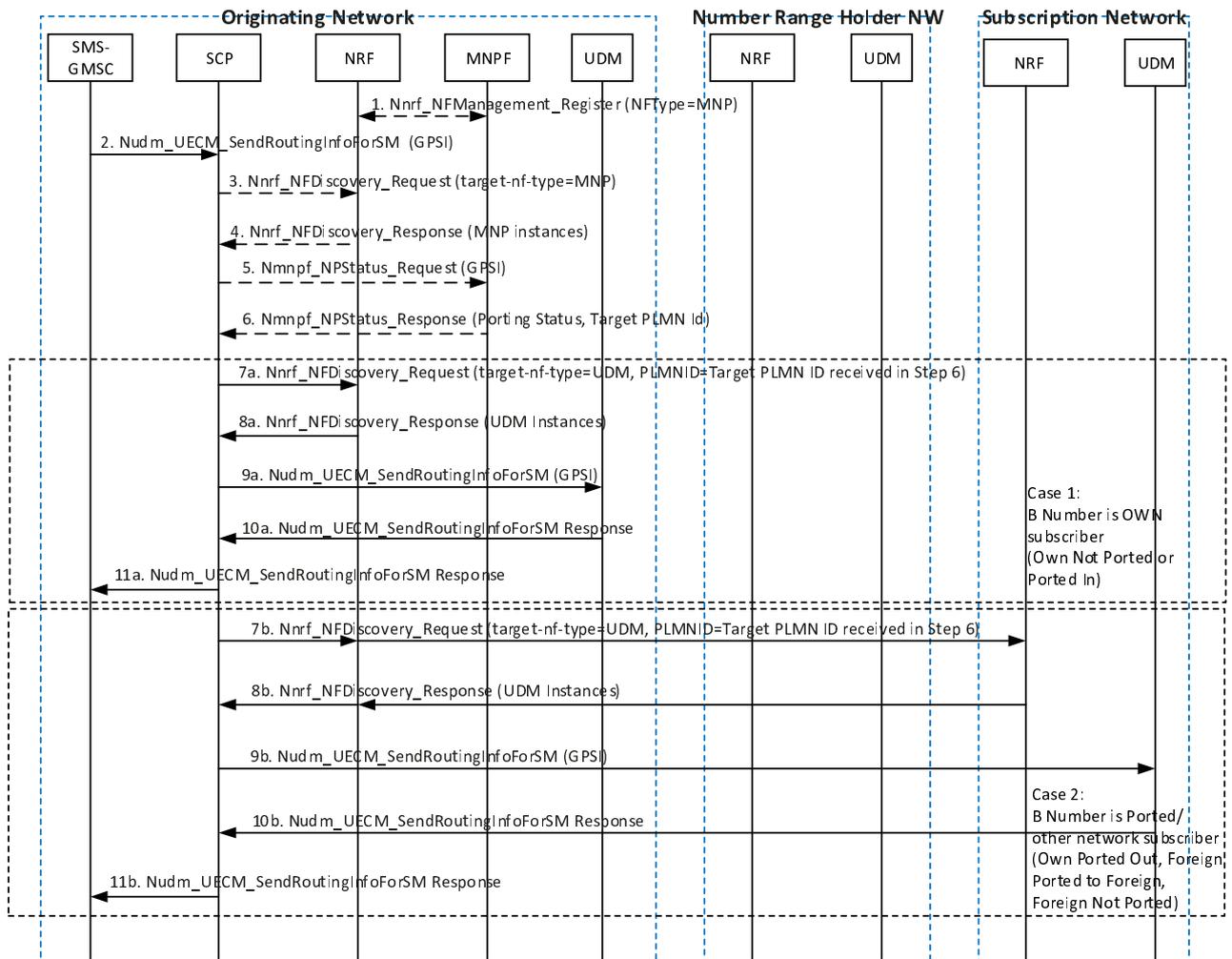


Figure 5.1.7.3.4-1 SCP supports the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPf for Direct Routing

1. If the MNPf is deployed, the MNPf registers in the NRF with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPf).
2. The SMS-GMSC sends Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM to the SCP to get the serving node instance for UE from the UDM. As specified in the Indirect Communication with Delegated Discovery model, the Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM shall contain the discovery factors containing the GPSI (pointing to the Number Range Holder Network) and an indicator that Subscription Network resolution is delegated to the SCP.
- 3-4. The SCP shall query the NRF to find the MNPf instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network.
5. The SCP determines the target PLMN of the recipients GPSI's subscription network using the SBI service of the MNPf i.e. the SCP invokes Nmnpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPf.
6. MNPf checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

NOTE 1: If SCP is co-located with MNPf, steps between SCP and NRF to discover the MNPf, and steps between SCP and MNPf can be skipped.

NOTE 2: When the recipient GPSI belongs to the same country as the originating network and MNPf is not implemented in the country, steps between SCP and MNPf can be skipped. In this case the SMS-GMSC or SCP determines the target PLMN ID from the recipient's GPSI Prefix (e.g. CC+NDC) based on local configuration.

7-8. SCP shall query the NRF to find the UDM instance serving the target PLMN based on target PLMN ID received in step 6. For step 7b-8b, if the target PLMN ID is not the originating network, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the target PLMN.

9-10. SCP invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM of the target PLMN to get the serving node instance for UE. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SCP by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.

11. SCP forward the responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response (SMS Router address).

5.1.7.3.5 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPf for Indirect routing

Figure 5.1.7.3.5-1 shows the procedure for Indirect Communication with Delegated Discovery, the SCP is the service consumer of the GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution service in MNPf NF and routes an SBI message based on GPSI when indirect routing of MNPf is implemented.

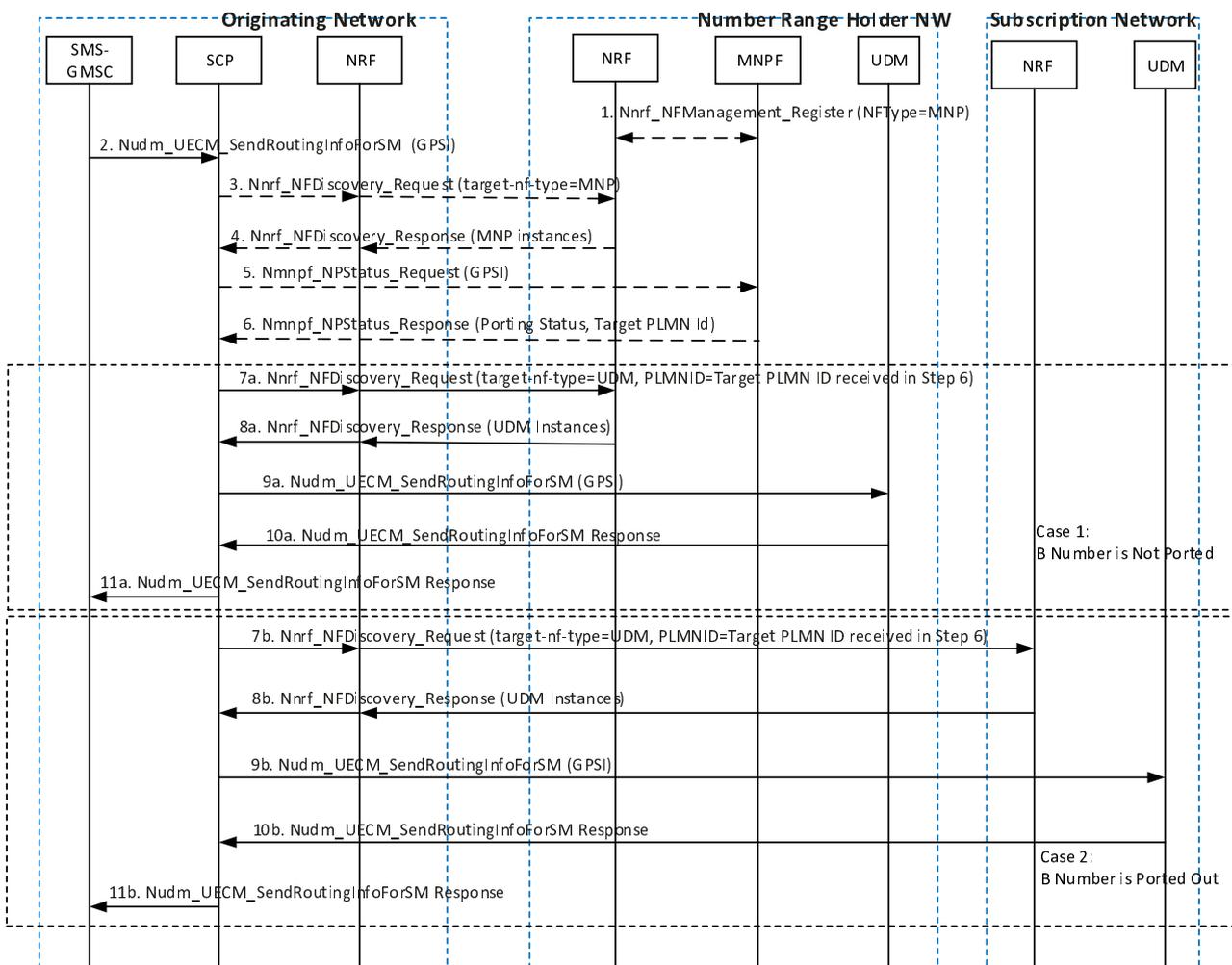


Figure 5.1.7.3.5-1 SCP supports GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution with MNPf for Indirect routing

1. If the MNPf is deployed in the Number Range Holder PLMN, the MNPf registers in the NRF of the number range holder PLMN with a new NF Type (e.g. MNPf).

2. The SMS-GMSC sends Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM to the SCP to get the serving node instance for UE from the UDM. As specified in the Indirect Communication with Delegated Discovery model, the Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM shall contain the discovery factors containing the GPSI (pointing to the Number Range Holder Network) and an indicator that Subscription Network resolution is delegated to the SCP.
- 3-4. The SCP shall query the local NRF to find the MNPF instance that manages the PLMN ID of the recipients GPSI's subscription network, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
5. The SCP determines the target PLMN of the recipients GPSI's subscription network using the SBI service of the MNPF i.e. the SCP invokes Nmnpf_NPStatus_Get (GPSI) to the MNPF.
6. MNPF checks the portability status of the recipient GPSI and responds back with the target PLMN ID.

NOTE 1: If SCP is co-located with MNPF, steps between SCP and NRF to discover the MNPF, and steps between SCP and MNPF can be skipped.

NOTE 2: When the recipient GPSI belongs to the same country as the number range holder network and MNPF is not implemented in the country, the steps between SCP and MNPF can be skipped. In this case the SMS-GMSC or SCP determines the target PLMN ID from the recipient's GPSI Prefix (e.g. CC+NDC) based on local configuration.

- 7-8. SCP shall query the local NRF to find the UDM instance serving the target PLMN based on target PLMN ID received in step 6.
 - For step 7a-8a, if the target PLMN ID belongs to the number range holder PLMN, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the number range holder PLMN.
 - For step 7b-8b, if the target PLMN ID belongs to the Subscription PLMN, the local NRF forwards the discovery request to the NRF of the Subscription PLMN.
- 9-10. SCP invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM of the target PLMN to get the serving node instance for UE. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes and responds to the SCP by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response, in this procedure the SMSF instance Id is included in the response message.
11. SCP forwards the responds to the SMS-GMSC by sending Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM response (SMS Router address).

5.1.7.4 GPSI-to-Subscription-Network resolution using NRF

Figure 5.1.7.4-1 shows the procedure to determine the target PLMN based on the GPSI using the discovery and selection framework via the NRF as defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

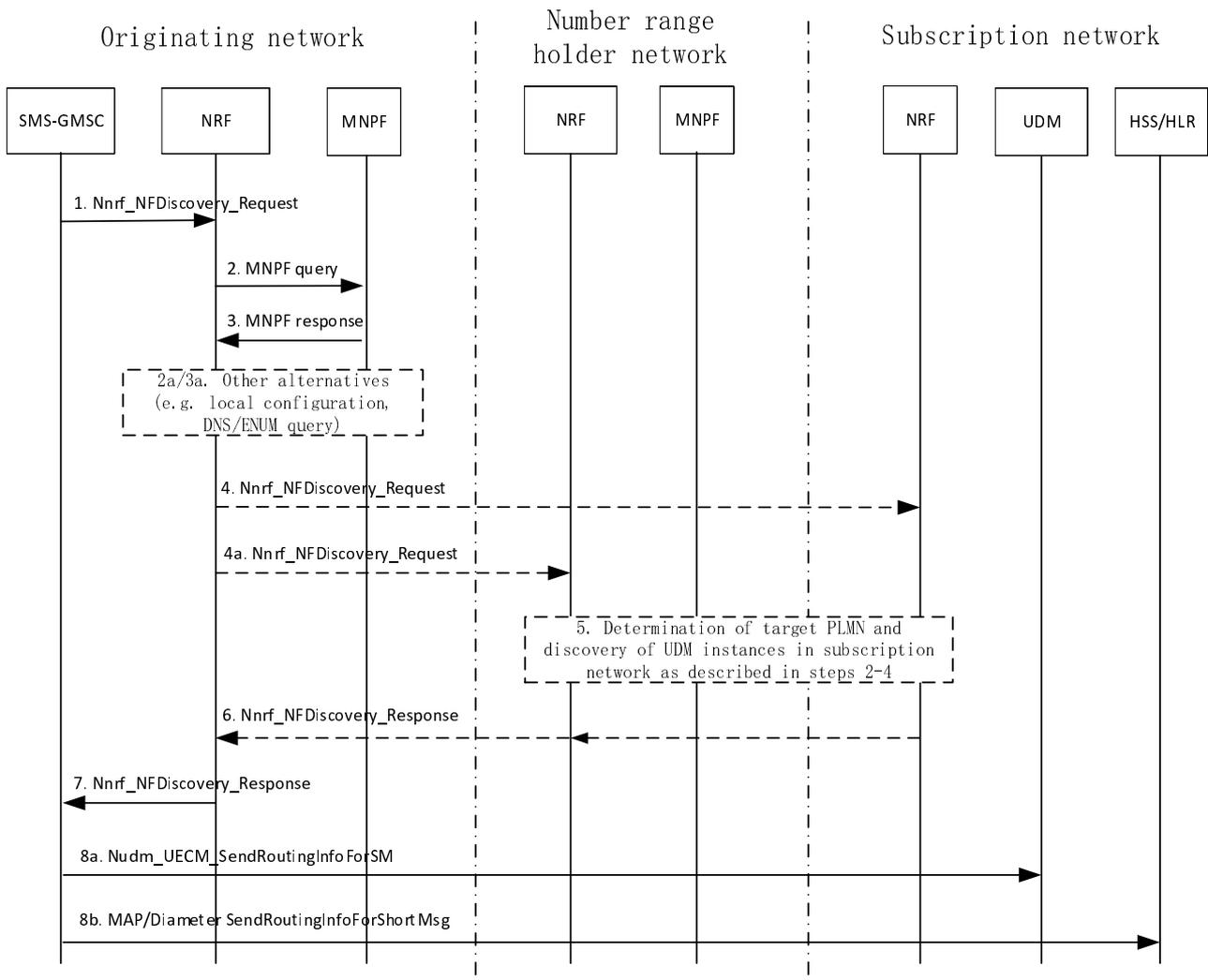


Figure 5.1.7.4-1: Determination of target PLMN based on GPSI using NRF

1. The SMS-GMSC located in the PLMN of the SMS sender contacts the NRF in the originating PLMN to perform NF/NF service discovery of the UDM instance(s). The discovery request is based on the GPSI of the SMS recipient and includes an indication for the NRF to determine the target PLMN and interface to be used (SBI or legacy interface).
2. Based on the indication to determine the target PLMN and interface to be used included in the discovery request, if direct routing mechanism is used the NRF in the originating PLMN retrieves the target PLMN ID from the MNPF in the originating PLMN by consuming the SBI services of the MNPF described in clause 6.7. The NRF performs an NP query to the MNPF using SBI for the GPSI of the SMS recipient.
If indirect routing mechanism is used, steps 2-3 are skipped and the procedure continues in step 4a.
3. The MNPF provides in the response the target PLMN information corresponding to the GPSI of the SMS recipient and the procedure continues in step 4.
- 2a-3a. The NRF may, as an alternative implementation option to steps 2-3, obtain the target PLMN information by other means, e.g., using DNS/ENUM resolution, local configuration in the NRF or direct access to Number Portability (NP) databases via non-SBI, if applicable.

NOTE 1: NP applies to GPSIs representing E.164 addresses (i.e., MSISDN). NP is subject to regional and regulatory requirements and is accomplished through the retrieval of ported data from NP databases. Support of ENUM or direct access to NP via non-SBI interfaces and the exact means to make the number portability data available to the NRF is subject to and configured per operator policy.

The NRF may use the DNS/ENUM translation mechanism to resolve the GPSI of the SMS recipient in E.164 format to a URI as specified in IETF RFC 6116 [12]. The NRF performs an ENUM query for the GPSI of the SMS recipient in step 2a. The output of the lookup process in the DNS/ENUM server is a URI that is provided in the ENUM response and points to the originating PLMN or the NRF in the target PLMN with which the originating PLMN has an interconnection agreement using SBI, so that the NRF in the originating PLMN can send an inter-PLMN service discovery request to the NRF in the target PLMN.

NOTE 2: The DNS/ENUM server searches for an ENUM record matching the GPSI of the SMS recipient. An ENUM record for the individual GPSI or number series provisioned in the DNS/ENUM server can be used to indicate whether the user belongs to the same PLMN or another PLMN in the same or different country. A URI as a result of the lookup process in the DNS/ENUM server can be provided by provisioning an ENUM service using the http or https scheme URI as defined in IETF RFC 4002 [13] and IETF RFC 6118 [14].

4. Based on the response from the MNPF, the NRF in the originating PLMN determines the target PLMN where to search for UDM instances.

If the NRF has obtained the target PLMN information by other means in steps 2a-3a, the NRF determines the target PLMN based on the information from ENUM response, NP databases via non-SBI and/or local configuration.

If the GPSI belongs to the originating PLMN (i.e. originating network is the same as subscription network), the NRF searches for UDM instances matching the discovery criteria that can serve the request in the originating PLMN using SBI services and provides the discovery response in step 7.

If the GPSI belongs to a different PLMN, the NRF checks whether the originating PLMN has an interconnection agreement using SBI with the subscription PLMN and, in that case, sends an inter-PLMN discovery request including the GPSI to the NRF in the subscription PLMN to retrieve the UDM instances that can serve the SMS recipient, as defined in clause 4.17.5 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4] and 3GPP TS 29.510 [10], and the procedure continues in step 6.

- 4a. If indirect routing mechanism is used (i.e., no interaction as in steps 2-3 between NRF and MNPF in the originating PLMN), the NRF in the originating PLMN determines the PLMN ID of the number range holder network (e.g. from the recipient's GPSI prefix (CC+NDC) based on local configuration) and sends an inter-PLMN discovery request of UDM instances to the NRF in the number range holder network. In this case, the discovery request across PLMNs shall include the GPSI of the SMS recipient and the indication to determine the target PLMN and interface to be used.
5. Based on the indication to determine the target PLMN and interface to be used included in the discovery request from the NRF in the originating PLMN, the NRF in the number range holder PLMN applies the behaviour described for the NRF in steps 2-3 (or alternatively, steps 2a-3a) and step 4.

The NRF in the number range holder network may perform a query to the MNPF using SBI if NP is required and NP information has not been retrieved previously (e.g., if originating and number range holder PLMNs belong to different countries or portability domains and NP is required in the country of the recipient GPSI). The NRF in the number range holder network obtains the PLMN ID of the subscription network in the response from the MNPF (or alternatively by other means such as ENUM/NP) and, if applicable, sends an inter-PLMN discovery request of UDM instances including the GPSI to the NRF in the subscription network.

6. The NRF in the subscription network provides the inter-PLMN discovery response including UDM instance(s) matching the discovery criteria or no UDM instance(s) found in the target PLMN, implying that SBI interactions should not be used.

When using indirect routing, the NRF in the number range holder network forwards the discovery response from the NRF in the subscription network to the NRF in the originating network.

7. If the NRF in the originating network finds UDM instances matching the filter criteria in the originating PLMN or receives UDM instances in the response to a discovery request across PLMNs in step 6, the NRF provides the UDM instances in the discovery response to the SMS-GMSC.

If no UDM instances can serve the request using SBI, the NRF provides the discovery response indicating the SMS-GMSC to use a non-SBI interface for the next operation request in the procedure.

- 8a. If the discovery response includes UDM instances that can serve the SMS recipient, the SMS-GMSC sends the operation request using SBI to e.g., retrieve the SMS routing information from the UDM, and the SBI-based MT SMS procedure can be executed as described in clause 5.1.
- 8b. If no UDM instances are provided in the discovery response, the SMS-GMSC sends the operation request via legacy interface using MAP/Diameter to e.g., retrieve the SMS routing information from the HLR/HSS/UDM.

5.1.8 Alert

Figure 5.1.8-1 depicts procedure for alert.

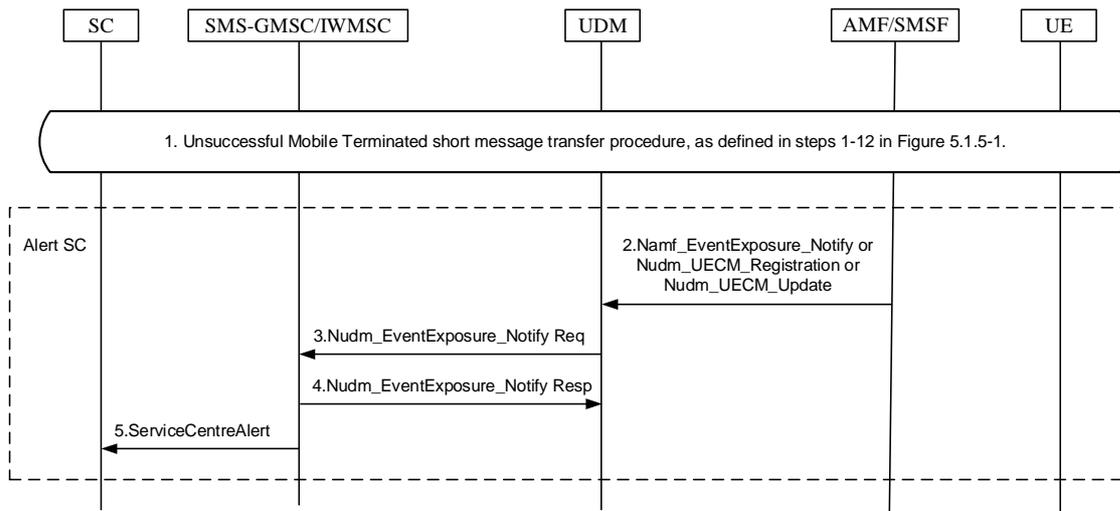


Figure 5.1.8-1: Procedure for alert

- 1 Unsuccessful Mobile Terminated short message transfer (without IP-SM-GW/SMS Router) procedure, as defined in steps 1-10 in Figure 5.1.5-1.
- 2 UDM receives Namf_EventExposure_Notify or Nudm_UECM_Registration operation from AMF or SMSF indicating that the UE is reachable for SMS delivery; or UDM receives Nudm_UECM_Update operation from SMSF indicating that the UE has memory capacity available.
- 3-4 The UDM notifies the "UE_MEMORY_AVAILABLE_FOR_SMS" or "UE_REACHABILITY_FOR_SMS" event to the SMS-GMSC/IW MSC accordingly. The UDM updates the corresponding reachability flags and deletes the subscription to UE reachability for SMS event created by the SMS-GMSC.
- 5 ServiceCentreAlert as defined in Operation 13 of Figure 20 in TS 23.040 [2].

5.1.9 Unsuccessful Mobile Terminated short message transfer via SMS Router

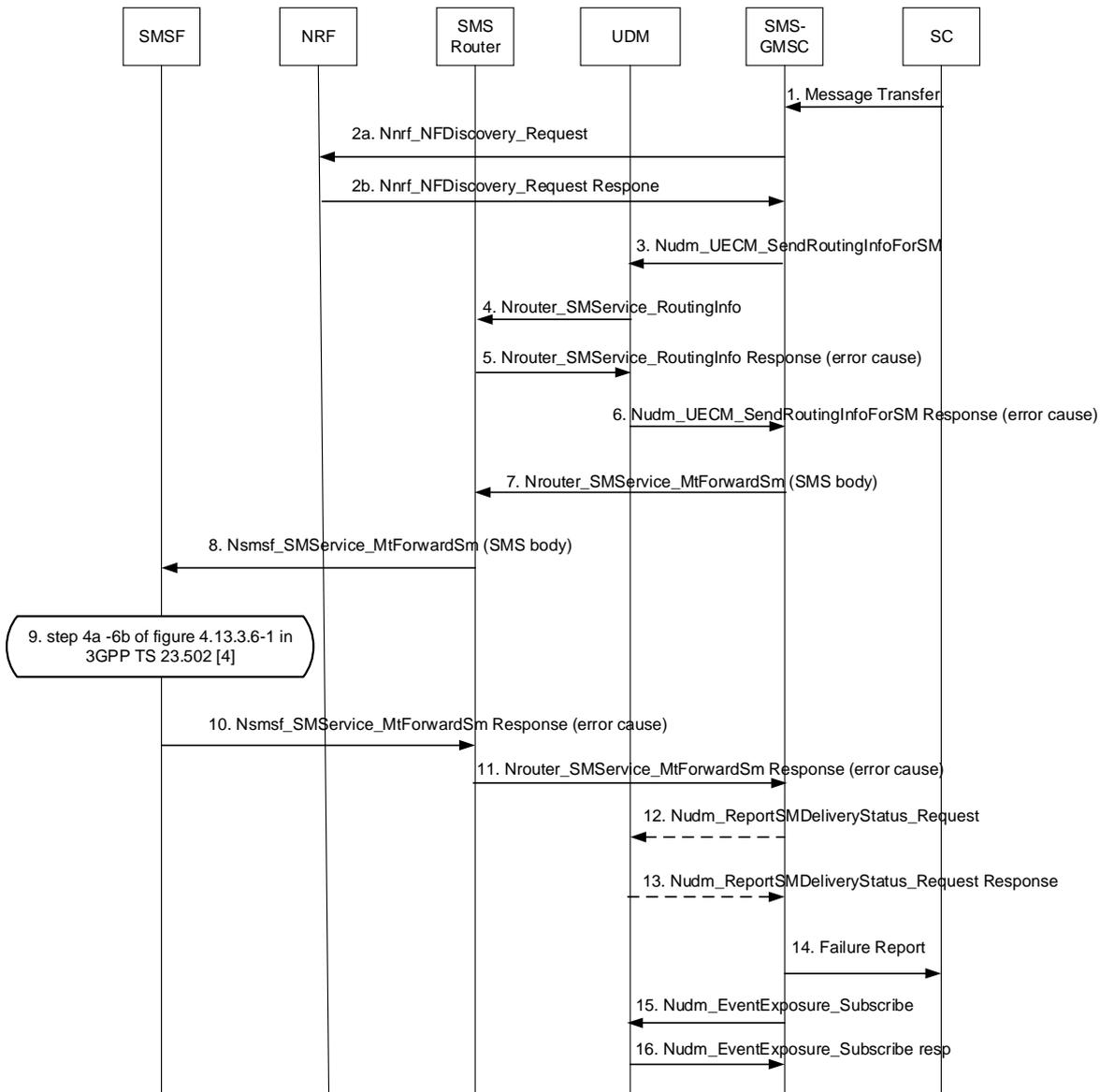


Figure 5.1.9-1: Unsuccessful MT SMS over NAS via SMS Router

1. MT SMS interaction between SC and SMS-GMSC follow the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2].
- 2a-2b. The SMS-GMSC should query the NRF to find the UDM instance that manages the user subscriptions using the GPSI. If there is no available UDM returned from NRF, the SMS-GMSC may send error response to the SC.
3. SMS-GMSC invokes Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM (GPSI) to the UDM to get the serving node information for all access types for the UE.
4. The UDM shall check the registration/reachability flags to determine the potential target nodes, e.g. SMSF. For MT SM transfer via SMS Router, the UDM shall invoke the Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo to provide the SMSF Instance Id to the SMS Router. The address of the SMS Router to be contacted by the UDM may be configured locally.

5. If any failure at this step, the SMS Router shall send `Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo` response with error cause to the UDM.
6. If the UDM receives error response from SMS Router in step 5 or UDM is failed after step 3, e.g. user not found in the UDM, the UDM shall respond to the SMS-GMSC by sending `Nudm_UECM_SendRoutingInfoForSM` response with error cause. If there is no target node address registered in the UDM, a response with error case indicating absent subscriber for SM is sent to the SMS-GMSC and the procedure continues in step 15.
7. If successful response is returned in step 6, the SMS-GMSC forwards the SMS message to the SMS Router by invoking `Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm` service operation.
8. The SMS Router forwards the SMS message to the SMSF by invoking `Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm` service operation.
9. MT SMS over NAS procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is same as the definition in step 4a to 6b of Figure 4.13.3.6-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
10. If the AMF informs the SMSF that it cannot deliver the MT-SMS to the UE in step 9, e.g. UE is not reachable, or the SMSF is failed at this step, e.g. memory capacity exceeded, the SMSF shall send the `Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm` response with error cause to the SMS Router.
11. If the SMS Router receives error response from SMSF in step 10 or the SMS Router is failed after step 7, the SMS Router shall send the `Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm` response with error cause to the SMS-GMSC.
- 12-13. The SMS-GMSC may report the SM-Delivery Status (e.g. UE is not reachable or memory capacity exceeded) to UDM by invoking `Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request`.
14. If the SMS-GMSC receives error response from SMS Router in step 6 or step 11, the SMS-GMSC sends the failure report to SC as defined in TS 23.040 [2].
15. The SMS-GMSC subscribes in UDM to be notified when the UE becomes reachable for SMS (i.e. when the UE gets in radio contact with the AMF while an SMSF is actually registered, or when an SMSF gets registered) by using the `Nudm_EventExposure_Subscribe` service operation for Reachability for SMS event as defined in 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
16. If applicable, the UDM subscribes to UE reachability notification in the AMF(s) using the `Namf_EventExposure` service and sets the relevant reachability flags. The UDM acknowledges the event subscription created by the SMS-GMSC.

5.2 Procedure for SBI-based MO SMS

5.2.1 General

The procedure for SBI-based MO SMS is showed in Figure 5.2.2-1, which is based on MO SMS procedures in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2] clause 10.2. Compared to procedures in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2], new services are introduced in, including:

- `Niwmsc_SMSservice` service provided by SMS-IWMSC.

This new service is registered in NRF, and can be invoked by service consumers.

5.2.2 Procedure for Successful Mobile Originated short message transfer

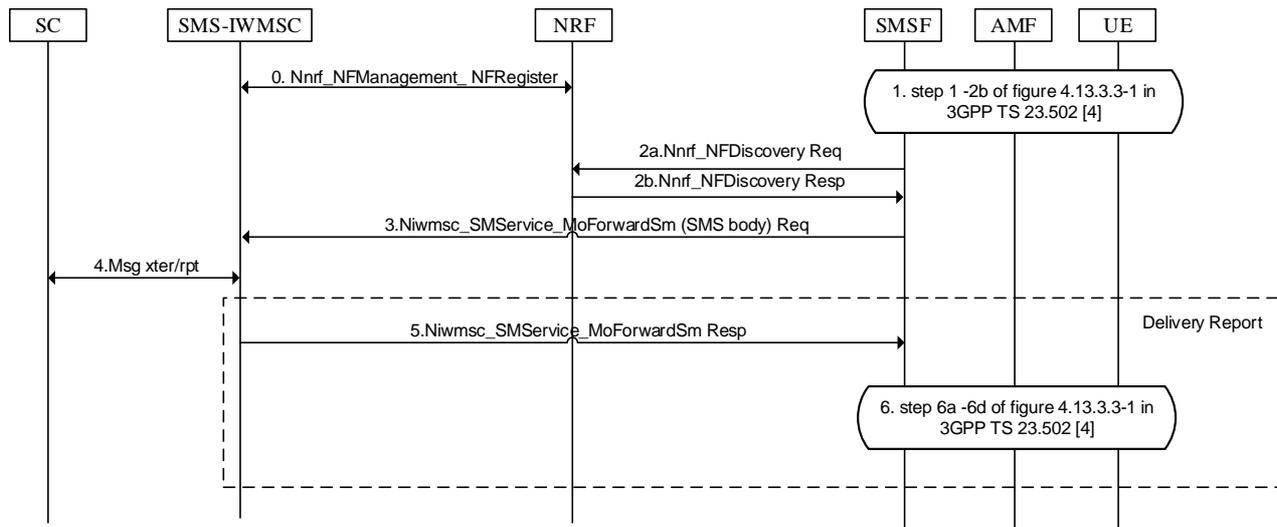


Figure 5.2.2-1: Procedures for successful SBI-based SM MO message transfer

- 0 SMS-IWMSC registers Niwmsc_SMSservice service in the NRF, during the NF registration procedure.
- 1 MO SM message transfer from UE to SMSF through AMF follows the current procedure as defined in 3GPP TS 23.040 [2]
- 2a If SMSF knows from local configuration that the target SMS-IWMSC does not support SBI, it shall quit the SBI-based procedure and fallback to legacy (MAP/Diameter) protocol based procedures, as defined in TS 23.040 [2],
or SMSF invokes the Nnrf_NFDiscovery to discover and select serving SMS-IWMSC with the parameters of SUPI and/or GPSI and/or location (e.g. TAIs, CGIs, etc.) and/or E.164 address of the SC.
- 2b If no SMS-IWMSC could be discovered, the NRF shall feedback to SMSF, and SMSF shall quit the SBI-based procedure and fallback to legacy (MAP/Diameter) protocol based procedures, as defined in TS 23.040 [2].
If a SMS-IWMSC is discovered and selected, NRF returns the IP addresses or FQDNs of the serving SMS-IWMSC to provide Niwmsc_SMSservice service to SMSF.
- 3 SMSF sends a Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service request to the URI of serving SMS-IWMSC, which is obtained in step 2b. The payload body of the request shall contain the SM record to be sent, the Service Centre address, the callbackURI for MO SMS Delivery Report, the timer for waiting the MO SMS Delivery Report, and optionally contains the Access Type.
- 4 MO SMS delivery procedure between SMS-IWMSC and SC is the same as the definition in step 4 of Figure 4.13.3.3-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
- 5 SMS-IWMSC sends Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm response to deliver the MO SMS delivery report to the URI of serving SMSF, which is obtained in step 3
- 6 MO SMS delivery report procedure between SMSF, AMF and UE is the same as the 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
When no more SMS is to be sent, the procedure for CP-ack and SMS ack is the same as the 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].
These procedures are defined in step 6a to 6d of Figure 4.13.3.3-1 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4].

5.2.3 Unsuccessful Mobile Originated short message transfer

Figure 5.2.3-1 depicts procedure for unsuccessful SBI-based SM MO message transfer

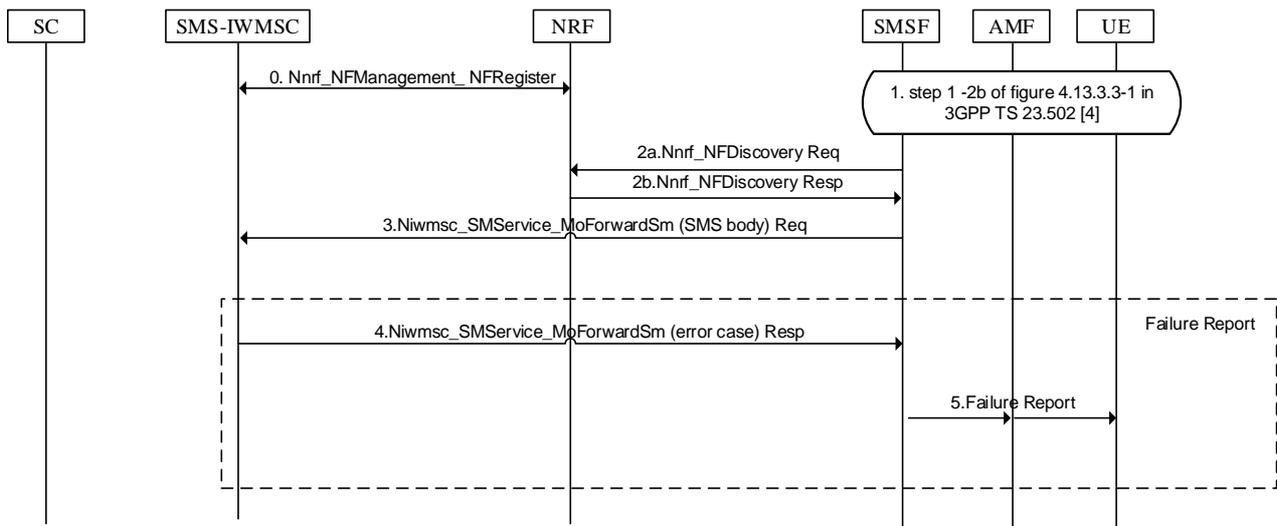


Figure 5.2.3-1: Procedures for unsuccessful SBI-based SM MO message transfer

0-3 The same as the procedures in step 0-3 of Figure 5.2.2-1 in clause 5.2.2

4 SMS-IW MSC sends Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm response with HTTP status code for application errors as defined in Table 5.3.2-1.

5 Failure report from SMSF to UE, with the error cause code as defined in Table 5.3.2-2.

SMS-IW MSC indicates the different errors for MO SM transfer in MoForwardSm response according to the different failure scenarios which happened during MO SM transfer. The Application Errors used in Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm response are defined in Table 5.3.2-1 below

Table 5.3.2-1: Application errors

Application Error	HTTP status code	Description
UNKNOWN_SERVICE_CENTRE_ADDRESS	403 Forbidden	The delivery of the MO short message failed because SMS-SC was unknown.
SERVICE_CENTRE_CONGESTION	403 Forbidden	The delivery of the MO short message failed because SMS-SC was in congestion.
USER_NOT_SERVICE_CENTER	403 Forbidden	The delivery of the short message failed because the user didn't belongs to the SMS-SC.
FACILITY_NOT_SUPPORTED	403 Forbidden	The delivery of the MO short message failed because of facility not supported.
INVALID_SME_ADDRESS	403 Forbidden	The delivery of the MO short message failed because the SME address is invalid.
UNREACHABLE_SMS_SC	504 Gateway Timeout	The delivery of the MO short message failed because the response is timeout.

If errors are indicated by the SMS-IW MSC, the SMSF shall send a failure report (i.e. a RP-ERROR message) to the UE, with the error cause coded as following map between errors indicated by SMS-IW MSC and error cause code in RP-ERROR message:

Table 5.3.2-2: MAP of Application errors

Return error from SMS-IWMSC	Cause value in the RP-ERROR message
The Response from SMS-IWMSC is timeout Unspecified 4xx/5xx error code	38 Network out of order
403 Forbidden with FACILITY_NOT_SUPPORTED	69 Requested facility not implemented
403 Forbidden with UNKNOWN_SERVICE_CENTRE_ADDRESS	1 Unassigned number
403 Forbidden with SERVICE_CENTRE_CONGESTION	42 Congestion
403 Forbidden with USER_NOT_SERVICE_CENTER	28 Unidentified subscriber
403 Forbidden with INVALID_SME_ADDRESS	21 Short message transfer rejected

NOTE: The coding and the use of the RP-ERROR message is specified in 3GPP TS 24.011 [8].

5.2.4 MSISDN-less MO SMS message transfer

The procedure for SBI-based MSISDN-less MO SMS message transfer is depicted in Figure 5.2.4-1,

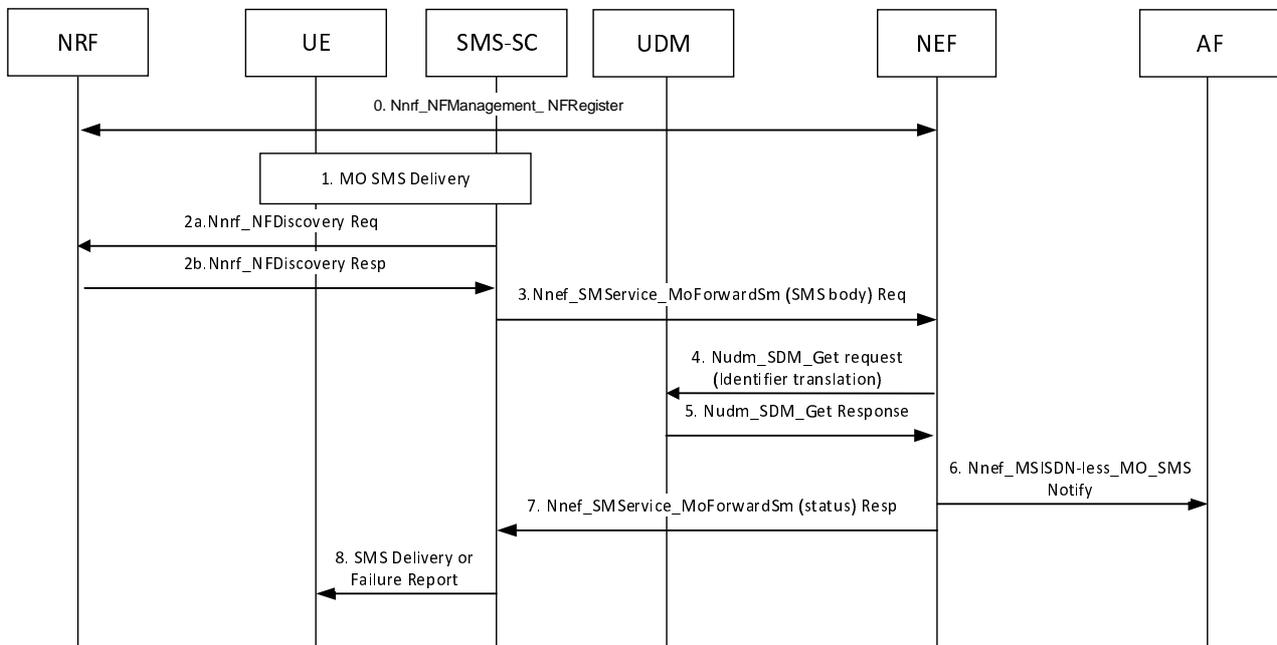


Figure 5.2.4-1: Procedures for MSISDN-less MO SMS message transfer

- 0 NEF registers Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service and supporting long/short code ranges in NRF, during the NF registration procedure.
- 1 MO SMS transmit from UE to SMS-SC, as already defined in clause 5.2.2.
- 2a-2b SMS-SC provides destination SME address (long/short code of the AF) to NRF for NEF selection, and chooses Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service for MSISDN-less MO SMS submit.
- 3 SMS-SC forwards MO SM to NEF, by invoking Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service.
- 4-5 Nudm_SDM_Get and response between NEF and UDM, which refers to Step 3-Step 4 of Figure 4.13.7.2-1 in TS 23.502 [4].
- 6 The NEF provides a Nnef_MSISDN-less_MO_SMS Notify, which refers to Step 5 of Figure 4.13.7.2-1 in TS 23.502 [4].
- 7 NEF sends Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm response to SMS-SC, carrying a success or failure delivery indication to SMS-SC.

- 8 SMS-SC indicates success/failure back to UE using existing SBI-based SMS delivery report defined in clause 6.2.2.

6 Services for SBI-based SMS

6.1 General

This clause introduces the services for SBI-based SMS.

6.2 UDM services for SBI-based SMS

6.2.1 General

The following table illustrates the UDM services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.2.1-1: UDM Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
UE Context Management (UECM)	SendRoutingInfoForSM	request / response	UDM	SMS-GMSC
ReportSMDeliveryStatus	Request	request / response	UDM	SMS-GMSC, IP-SM-GW,
EventExposure	Subscribe	subscribe / notify	UDM	SMS-GMSC

6.2.2 Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus service

6.2.2.1 General

For the Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus service the following service operations are defined:

- Request

6.2.2.2 Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request service operation

Service operation name: Nudm_ReportSMDeliveryStatus_Request

Description: reports the SM-Delivery Status to UDM.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SM-Delivery status

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: report SM-Delivery status result.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.2.3 Nudm_EventExposure service

Service Description: This service is defined in clause 5.2.3.5 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4], in addition, this clause defines the enhancement of Nudm_EventExposure for alert sc.

Except the existing events that are exposed by UDM, events "UE_MEMORY_AVAILABLE_FOR_SMS" and "UE_REACHABILITY_FOR_SMS" should be supported.

6.2.4 Nudm_UECM service

Service Description: This service is defined in clause 5.2.3.2 of 3GPP TS 23.502 [4], in addition, this clause defines the enhancement of Nudm_UECM service.

The new service operation SendRoutingInfoForSM shall be supported to get the target valid node(s) serving the UE from the UDM, which will be used by the SMS-GMSC to deliver the MT SMS.

6.3 SMS-IWMSC services for SBI-based SMS

6.3.1 General

The following table illustrates the SMS-IWMSC services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.3.1-1: SMS-IWMSC Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
SMSservice	MoForwardSm	request / response	SMS-IWMSC	SMSF

6.3.2 Niwmsc_SMSservice service

6.3.2.1 General

Service Description: This service can be used for SBI-based MO SM transfer and Delivery Report through SMS-IWMSC.

6.3.2.2 Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service operation

Service operation name: Niwmsc_SMSservice_MoForwardSm.

Description: Service request from consumer to SMS-IWMSC for MO SM transmit.

Inputs, Required: the SM record to be sent, the Service Centre address, the callbackURI for MO SMS Delivery Report, the timer for waiting MO SMS Delivery Report.

Inputs, Optional: Access Type.

Outputs, Required: On success, Delivery Report should be returned.

On failure or redirection, the appropriate HTTP status code (e.g. "403 Forbidden", "504 Gateway Timeout") indicating the error shall be returned.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.4 SMSF services for SBI-based SMS

6.4.1 General

The following table illustrates the SMSF services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.4.1-1: SMSF Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
SMSservice	MtForwardSm	request / response	SMSF	SMS-GMSC, IP-SM-GW, SMS Router

6.4.2 Nsmsf_SMSservice service

6.4.2.1 General

Service Description: This service can be used for SBI-based MT SM transfer through SMSF.

6.4.2.2 Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation

Service operation name: Nsmsf_SMSservice_MtForwardSm

Description: transfer downlink SMS message from consumer NF to SMSF.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SMS payload

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: SMS message transmission result.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.5 IP-SM-GW services for SBI-based SMS

6.5.1 General

The following table illustrates the IP-SM-GW services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.5.1-1: IP-SM-GW Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
SMSservice	RoutingInfo	request / response	IP-SM-GW	UDM
	MtForwardSm	request / response	IP-SM-GW	SMS-GMSC

6.5.2 Nipsmgw_SMSservice service

6.5.2.1 General

Service Description: This service can be used for SBI-based MT SM transfer through IP-SM-GW.

6.5.2.2 Nipsmgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo service operation

Service operation name: Nipsmgw_SMSservice_RoutingInfo

Description: provides the SMSF Instance Id to the IP-SM-GW.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SMSF Instance Id.

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: Result.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.5.2.3 Nipsmgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation

Service operation name: Nipsmgw_SMSservice_MtForwardSm

Description: transfer downlink SMS message from consumer NF to IP-SM-GW and return the MT SMS Delivery Report to the consumer NF.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SMS payload

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: MT SMS Delivery Report.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.6 SMS Router services for SBI-based SMS

6.6.1 General

The following table illustrates the SMS Router services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.6.1-1: SMS Router Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
SMSservice	RoutingInfo	request / response	SMS Router	UDM
	MtForwardSm	request / response	SMS Router	SMS-GMSC

6.6.2 Nrouter_SMSservice service

6.6.2.1 General

Service Description: This service can be used for SBI-based MT SM transfer through SMS Router.

6.6.2.2 Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo service operation

Service operation name: Nrouter_SMSservice_RoutingInfo

Description: provides the SMSF Instance Id to the SMS Router.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SMSF Instance Id.

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: Result.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.6.2.3 Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm service operation

Service operation name: Nrouter_SMSservice_MtForwardSm

Description: transfer downlink SMS message from consumer NF to SMS Router and return the MT SMS Delivery Report to the consumer NF.

Inputs, Required: GPSI, SMS payload

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: MT SMS Delivery Report.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.7 MNPF services for SBI-based SMS

6.7.1 General

The following table illustrates the MNPF services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.7.1-1: MNPF Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
NPStatus	Get	request / response	MNPF	SMS-GMSC, SCP

6.7.2 Nmpf_NPStatus service

6.7.2.1 General

Service Description: This service can be used to retrieve the PLMN ID of the Subscription Network of a GPSI.

6.7.2.2 Nmpf_NPStatus_Get service operation

Service operation name: Nmpf_NPStatus_Get

Description: retrieve the PLMN ID of the Subscription Network of a GPSI.

Inputs, Required: GPSI.

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: PLMN Id.

Outputs, Optional: None.

6.8 NEF services for SBI-based SMS

6.8.1 General

The following table illustrates the NEF services for SBI-based SMS.

Table 6.8.1-1: NEF Services for SBI-based SMS

Service Name	Service Operations	Operation Semantics	Service Provider(s)	Service Consumer(s)
SMSservice	MoForwardSm	request / response	NEF	SMS-SC

6.8.2 Nnef_SMSservice service

6.8.2.1 General

This service can be used for SBI-based MO SM transfer through NEF for MSISDN-less MO SMS.

6.8.2.2 Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm service operation

Service operation name: Nnef_SMSservice_MoForwardSm

Description: transmit MO SMS message from consumer NF to NEF.

Inputs, Required: SMS payload, Application port ID, SUPI, destination SME address (long/short code of the AF).

Inputs, Optional: None.

Outputs, Required: SMS message transmission result.

Outputs, Optional: None.

Annex A (informative): Change history

Change history							
Date	Meeting	TDoc	CR	Rev	Cat	Subject/Comment	New version
2021-10	CT4#106e	C4-215046				C4-215046 as basis	0.1.0
2021-10	CT4#106e	C4-215513				Implementation of C4-215417, C4-215418, C4-215453 and C4-215454 in CT4#106e	0.2.0
2021-12	CT4#107e	C4-216466				Implementation of C4-216442, C4-216443, C4-216444 and C4-216546 in CT4#107e	0.3.0
2022-01	CT4#107bis-e	C4-220540				Implementation of C4-220029, C4-220341, C4-220374, C4-220408 and C4-220409 in CT4#107bis-e	0.4.0
2022-02	CT4#108e	C4-221588				Implementation of C4-221438, C4-221573, C4-221595 and C4-221692 in CT4#108e	0.5.0
2022-04	CT4#109e	C4-222340				Implementation of C4-222229, C4-222271, C4-222301, C4-222329, C4-222330, C4-222394, C4-222395, C4-222396, C4-222397 and C4-222418 in CT4#109e	0.6.0
2022-05	CT4#110e	C4-223449				Implementation of C4-223277, C4-223342 and C4-223358 in CT4#110e	0.7.0
2022-06	CT#96	CP-221077				TS for information and approval	1.0.0
2022-06	CT#96	CP-221077				TS approved in CT#96	17.0.0
2022-09	CT#97e	CP-222027	0001	-	B	TS 23.540 Alignment of MNPF	17.1.0
2022-09	CT#97e	CP-222027	0002	-	B	Add NEF and MNPF in SBI-based SMS system architecture	17.1.0
2022-09	CT#97e	CP-222027	0003	-	F	Description of the Alert procedure	17.1.0
2022-09	CT#97e	CP-222027	0004	-	F	Correction on Operation Semantic of UDM service	17.1.0
2023-06	CT#100	CP-221072	0010	-	F	Indication of Memory Available from SMSF as trigger for the Alert procedure	17.2.0
2023-09	CT#101	CP-232066	0011	1	F	Alignment of MNPF in Rel-17 TS 23.540	17.3.0
2023-09	CT#101	CP-232066	0014	-	F	GPSI to subscription network resolution procedure using NRF	17.3.0
2024-03	CT#103	CP-240058	0017	-	F	SBI-based discovery of SMS-related entities	17.4.0

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