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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Overview

This document describes an Over The Air (OTA) mechanism that allows a Service Provider to provision mobile and non-mobile devices with the necessary configurations to use their services. It provides an alternative to the Open Mobile Alliance's (OMA) Device Management (DM) approach. For transport, the mechanism mainly relies on the Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP).

This configuration can be initiated both from the device and from the network. It allows configuration both over Service Provider controlled access networks (e.g. cellular) and non-Service Provider controlled networks (e.g. a 3<sup>rd</sup> party provided WLAN [Wireless Local Area Network]). It also allows for the provision of messages from the Service Provider to the user potentially requiring acceptance before the provided configuration can be used.

### 1.2 Scope

This document covers both the device and network aspects of the configuration. It only describes the generic parts of the configuration. Service specific aspects need to be described in documents relating to that service (for example PRD [Permanent Reference Document] RCC.07 for RCS [Rich Communication Services] based services). It only covers the UNI (User-Network Interface) aspects and does not deal with the internal network and device aspects of the provisioning.

### 1.3 Abbreviations

Term	Description
AKA	Authentication and Key Agreement
APN	Access Point Name
AuC	Authentication Centre
BSF	Bootstrapping Server Function
B-TID	Bootstrapping Transaction Identifier
CA	Certification Authority
DM	Device Management
DNS	Domain Name System
GAA	Generic Authentication Architecture
GBA	Generic Bootstrapping Architecture
HPLMN	Home Public Land Mobile Network
HTTP	Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol
HTTPS	Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol Secure
IMEI	International Mobile Station Equipment Identity
IMPI	Internet Protocol Multimedia Subsystem Private Identity
IMS	Internet Protocol Multimedia Subsystem
IMSI	International Mobile Subscriber Identity

Term	Description
IP	Internet Protocol
MCC	Mobile Country Code
MNC	Mobile Network Code
MSISDN	Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number
OMA	Open Mobile Alliance
OMA-CP	Open Mobile Alliance Client Provisioning
OMA-DM	Open Mobile Alliance Device Management
OTA	Over The Air
OTP	One Time Password
PC	Personal Computer
PRD	Permanent Reference Document
PS	Packet Switched
RADIUS	Remote Authentication Dial In User Service
RCS	Rich Communication Services
SIM	Subscriber Identity Module
SIP	Session Initiation Protocol
SMS	Short Message Service
UCS2	2-byte Universal Character Set
UDH	User Data Header
UI	User Interface
UNI	User-Network Interface
URI	Uniform Resource Identifier
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
UX	User Experience
Wi-Fi	Trademark of Industry Consortium "Wi-Fi Alliance" used as synonym for WLAN (Wireless Local Area Network)
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network
XML	Extensible Markup Language

## 1.4 References

Ref	Doc Number	Title
1.	[3GPP TS 23.003]	3GPP TS 23.003 Release 10, 3rd Generation Partnership Project; Numbering, addressing and identification <a href="http://www.3gpp.org">http://www.3gpp.org</a>
2.	[3GPP TS 23.040]	3GPP TS 23.040 Release 10, 3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical realization of the Short Message Service (SMS) <a href="http://www.3gpp.org">http://www.3gpp.org</a>
3.	[3GPP TS 24.109]	3GPP TS 24.109 Release 10, 3rd Generation Partnership Project; Bootstrapping interface (Ub) and network application function interface (Ua); Protocol details

Ref	Doc Number	Title
		<a href="http://www.3gpp.org">http://www.3gpp.org</a>
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5.	[PRD-IR.67]	GSMA PRD IR.67 - "DNS/ENUM Guidelines for Service Providers & GRX/IPX Providers" Version 8.0 22 November 2012 <a href="http://www.gsma.com/">http://www.gsma.com/</a>
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7.	[RFC2119]	"Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels", S. Bradner, March 1997. Available at <a href="http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt">http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt</a>
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9.	[RFC3986]	Uniform Resource Identifier (URI): Generic Syntax IETF RFC <a href="http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3986">http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3986</a>
10.	[OMA CP Cont]	Provisioning Content, Approved Version 1.1 – 28 Jul 2009 OMA-WAP-TS-ProvCont-V1_1-20090728-A <a href="http://www.openmobilealliance.com">http://www.openmobilealliance.com</a>

## 1.5 Conventions

"The key words "must", "must not", "required", "shall", "shall not", "should", "should not", "recommended", "may", and "optional" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119]."

## 2 HTTP Configuration

### 2.1 Overview

This mechanism is based on HTTP(S) (Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol Secure) requests sent by a device to a Service Provider's configuration server in order to receive the configuration data.

The HTTP(S) configuration requests may be triggered in two different ways:

- Client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration if a Service Provider supporting this mechanism is detected by the client (e.g. SIM-based or by customization).
- Network-triggered HTTP(S) configuration if a Service Provider is not detected by the client. It is used to protect against negative charging impacts in networks that do not support this type of configuration.

Client behaviour is as follows:

- If client-triggered configuration applies: when a device boots up (or when the Subscriber Identity Module [SIM] is swapped without rebooting the device [hot swap]) and no valid configuration is available for the used identity, the device sends an initial HTTP request toward the Service Provider's configuration server to verify the current configuration settings' version.
- If a non-embedded mobile client or a Personal Computer (PC) client without a SIM has no valid configuration for the used identity, this check should be performed each time the client is started.
- After receiving a Short Message Service (SMS) trigger as described in section 3, there is an HTTP request sent to the Service Provider's configuration server to verify the current configuration settings' version.
- If the version available on the client does not match the version on the configuration server, the configuration server will include in its response to the client's HTTP request a configuration document in Extensible Markup Language (XML) format containing all configuration settings.

NOTE: The configuration document is covered in detail in section 4 and is based on the OMA Client Provisioning (OMA-CP) syntax (see [OMA CP Cont]).

- In situations where it is necessary to force a reconfiguration of a device (e.g. SIM card swap), the device resets the version value of its on-hand configuration settings to 0. The server configuration shall therefore always provide a version value greater than 0.
- In scenarios where the Service Provider desires that for all functionality on a device/client that is subject to configuration the device returns to its default state, the HTTP response provided by the configuration server will carry an XML configuration response that carries no configuration parameters and sets the version of the configuration settings to 0, -1 or -2. That default state will be service dependent and may be to simply disable the service. That will be defined in the service specific documents for each service supporting this mechanism.

The details on the exchanges (e.g. the format employed for each requests) are provided in sections 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.3, 2.2.4, 2.2.5 and 2.5 of this specification.

## 2.2 Configuration over cellular networks

This section describes configuration of a device carrying the SIM associated with the identity to be used for the configured services over cellular networks and other Service Provider controlled access networks that allow identifying the user's identity based on the access. The section also introduces the general principles of the HTTP based configuration mechanism that are applicable for all access networks.

This HTTP configuration mechanism operates in these circumstances under the following assumptions:

As a security measure and to ensure that a Service Provider is able to implement the necessary procedures to resolve a user's Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number (MSISDN) (that is Remote Authentication Dial In User Service (RADIUS)

requests, header enrichment and so on), the configuration of devices/clients carrying the SIM associated to a user's main identity can only occur if the device is connected using a mobile PS<sup>1</sup> data network or by using the procedure in section 2.3.3.3 over other networks and, therefore, the device should have the necessary Access Point Name (APN) configuration available to perform the connection.

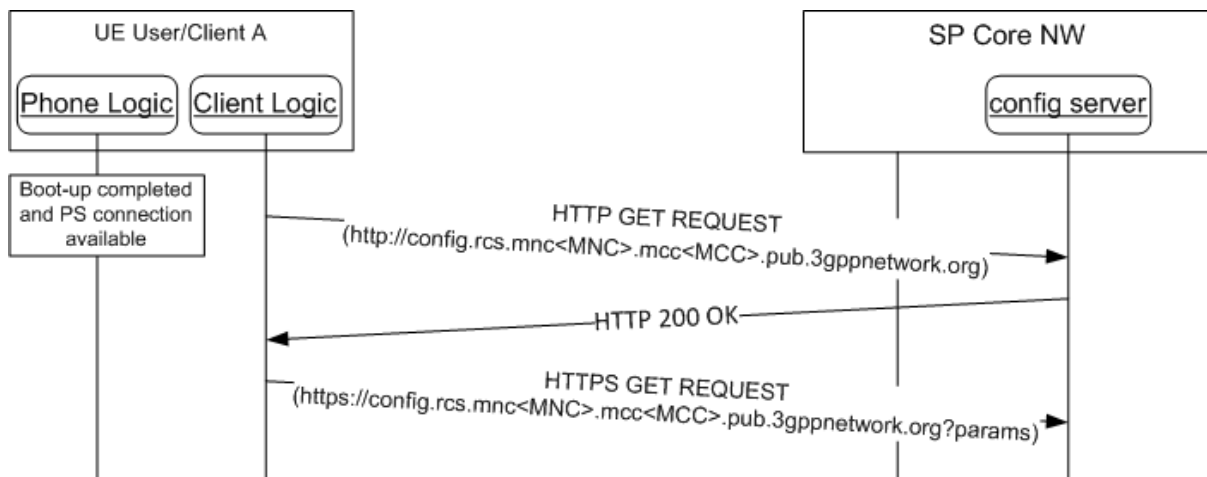
NOTE: For other devices/clients the mechanisms defined in section 2.5 are used.

- As some of the mechanisms presented in the previous bullet require an initial HTTP request, an HTTP request is performed first:
  - The device/client shall send an HTTP GET request towards the configuration server's qualified domain name. In this initial HTTP GET request the GET parameters outlined in Table 1 should not be included.
  - As a result of successfully receiving and processing this request, the configuration server returns an HTTP 200 OK response.
  - Upon receiving that HTTP 200 OK response, the device shall perform a second GET request towards the same Uniform Resource Locator (URL) (i.e. the configuration server's qualified domain name) using the HTTPS protocol.
  - The configuration server should be able to correlate both HTTP and HTTPS requests from the same device. To achieve this, the configuration server shall provide a cookie as part of the response to the initial HTTP request (Set-Cookie header). The configuration server will expect the client to provide that cookie in the subsequent HTTPS request (in the Cookie header).
- From a User Experience (UX) perspective, the customer is not aware of the auto-configuration process (it is a background process with no pop-ups, alerts or notifications shown to the user on the screen of the device) unless the provisioned data includes a message for the end user.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that if a device does not have a Packet Switched (PS) connection, the auto-configuration can also happen over Wi-Fi. The decision to implement this mechanism is up to the discretion of each Service Provider.

### 2.2.1 Initial Request



**Figure 1: HTTP configuration: Initial requests**

Parameters: The following information is included as HTTP GET parameters using a query string:

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
vers	This is either -2, -1, 0 or a positive integer. 0 indicates that the configuration must be updated (e.g. the configuration is damaged; non-existent or an update is needed following a SIM change). A positive value indicates the version of the static parameters (those which are not user dependent) so the server can evaluate whether an update is required. -1 indicates that the device/client provides the default behaviour for the services that would be configured and has disabled the autoconfiguration query performed at boot. This may be used by the client/device to inform the SP that the functionality was permanently disabled from the device. -2 indicates that for the services to be configured the default behaviour needs to be provided (including the disabling of the configuration query at boot), but a configuration query might be triggered on user action.	Y	Int (-2, -1, 0 or a positive integer)
IMSI	If available, the subscriber's IMSI (International Mobile Subscriber Identity) shall be sent as a parameter.	N if the OS platform allows it, it shall be included	String (15 digits)
provisioning_ve	String that identifies the version of the service	Y	String (4 max),



rsion	provider device configuration supported by the client. It shall be set to "2.0" (without the quotes) for clients following this specification.		Case-Sensitive
terminal_vendor	String that identifies the terminal OEM.	Y	String (4 max), Case-Sensitive
terminal_model	String that identifies the terminal model.	Y	String (10 max), Case-Sensitive
terminal_sw_version	String that identifies the terminal software version.	Y	String (10 max), Case-Sensitive
IMEI	If available, the subscriber's International Mobile Station Equipment Identity (IMEI) shall be sent as a parameter. Those Service Providers that support a comprehensive device database can ignore the terminal_X parameters and use the IMEI instead, if it was available to the implementation.	N if the OS platform allows it, it shall be included	String (15 digits)
friendly_device_name	If provided by the user, a user friendly identification for the device may be passed along that can be used by the network when presenting the user with an overview of their devices.  NOTE: this parameter needs to be included only if required for one of the services to be configured. In which case its mandatory character will be documented in the relevant service specific documents.	N, only to be provided if provided by the user	String (30 max before escaping), Case-Sensitive

**Table 1: HTTP configuration: HTTPS request GET parameters**

NOTE: A service specific document could define additional parameters to be included

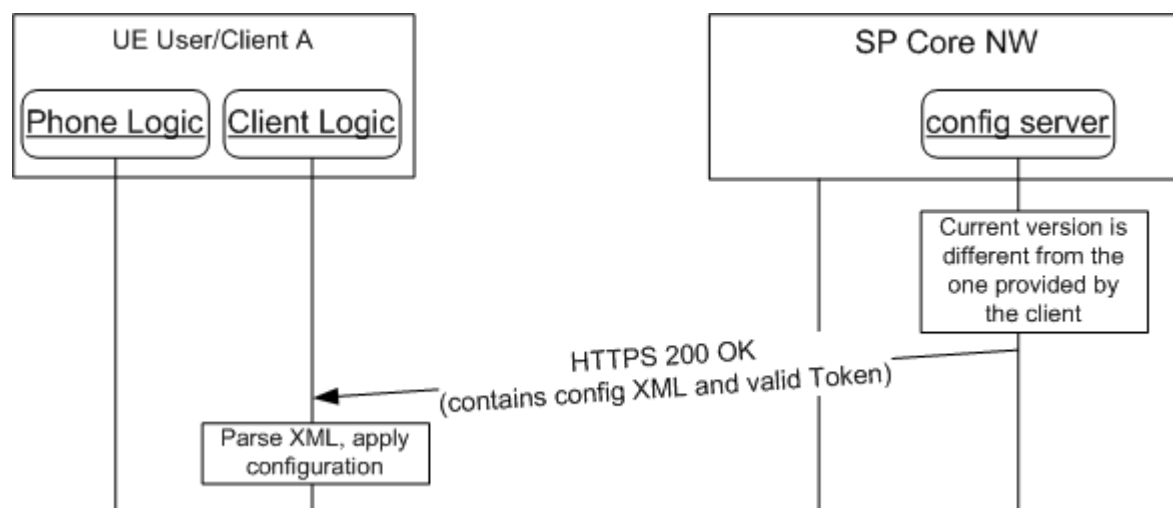
Please note that in case of Service Provider-specific clients, the terminal vendor, model and version parameters format and values should be agreed with the associated Service Provider prior to any device or client commercialization or update.

- The configuration server URL shall be composed based on the home Service Provider's MCC (Mobile Country Code) and MNC (Mobile Network Code) using a "config" subdomain of the domain reserved for RCS services in [PRD-IR.67]<sup>2</sup>. That is: *http://config.rcs.mnc<MNC>.mcc<MCC>.pub.3gppnetwork.org* whereby <MNC> and <MCC> shall be replaced by the respective values of the home network in decimal format and with a 2-digit MNC padded out to 3 digits by inserting a 0 at the beginning (as defined in [PRD-IR.67]).

<sup>2</sup> The RCS domain is used for historic reasons

- The client shall check the MCC and the MNC in the IMSI and compose the configuration Server URL introduced in the previous bullet depending on the Home Public Land Mobile Network (HPLMN).
- If a device is employed by a Service Provider that does not support this configuration mechanism, the configuration server URL will not be resolved. In that scenario the application shall handle it as a “client configuration invalid” scenario.

## 2.2.2 Configuration server response



**Figure 2: HTTP configuration: Server response**

On reception of the HTTPS GET request the configuration shall first validate the client and terminal parameters and then check if the version provided by the client matches the latest version of the configuration available on the server.

If the version does not match (i.e. a new configuration setting is required) or an operational procedure of the service provider requires resending of the existing configuration settings then the configuration server shall send a response with a configuration XML document in the format defined in section 4 containing the following characteristics and parameters:

- A VERS characteristic as illustrated in Table 2 with the following parameters:
  - The version parameter shall be set to a positive integer value assigned to the configuration XML document in this response.
  - The validity parameter indicating the validity of the configuration XML document in seconds. The validity is counted from the time it is received by the client in the configuration XML document.
- Optionally, a TOKEN characteristic as illustrated in Table 2 with the parameter defined below. If the TOKEN characteristic is not present then the client shall keep the locally stored token, if available.
  - The token parameter containing a value generated by the configuration server.
    - The token parameter shall be present if the TOKEN characteristic is included in the configuration XML document.

- The client shall store the token value locally. The new token value shall overwrite an existing token value from the previous configuration response.
  - The client shall use the stored token value in subsequent configuration requests over non-3GPP access as defined in sections 2.3.2, 2.5.1 and 2.6.
  - The token value shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.
- The full configuration XML document identified by the version value in the VERS characteristic. On reception the client shall parse and apply the configuration document in accordance with the definitions of the configuration data of the various services.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="VERS">
    <parm name="version" value="X"/>
    <parm name="validity" value="Y"/>
  </characteristic>
  <characteristic type="TOKEN">
    <parm name="token" value="A"/>
  </characteristic>

  -- full configuration XML document

</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 2: HTTP configuration XML: new configuration document**

If the version matches (i.e. no new configuration settings required), then the configuration server shall send a response with a configuration XML document in the format defined in section 4 containing the following characteristics and parameters:

- A VERS characteristic as illustrated in Table 3 with the following parameters:
  - The version parameter shall be set to the same value as provided by the client in the HTTPS GET request
  - The validity parameter shall indicate the validity of the configuration in seconds. The validity shall be applied to the configuration stored on the device, i.e. the validity of the configuration is refreshed by the new validity value received in the configuration response. The validity is counted from the time it is received by the client in the configuration XML document.
- Optional, a TOKEN characteristic as illustrated in Table 3 with the parameter defined below. If the TOKEN characteristic is not present then the client shall keep the locally stored token, if available.
  - The token parameter containing a value generated by the configuration server.
    - The token parameter shall be present if the TOKEN characteristic is included in the configuration XML document.
    - The client shall store the token value locally. The new token value shall overwrite an existing token value from the previous configuration response.

- The client shall use the stored token value in subsequent configuration requests over non-3GPP access as defined in section 2.3.2.
- The token value shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="VERS">
    <parm name="version" value="X"/>
    <parm name="validity" value="Y"/>
  </characteristic>
  <characteristic type="TOKEN">
    <parm name="token" value="Z"/>
  </characteristic>
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 3: HTTP configuration XML: no configuration changes required**

If the Service Provider chooses to temporarily revert the configured functionality on the device/client to its default behaviour with the configuration query performed at boot/start-up enabled, the response shall carry an XML document in the format defined in section 4 containing only the VERS characteristic with version and validity, both set to 0 as illustrated in Table 4:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="VERS">
    <parm name="version" value="0"/>
    <parm name="validity" value="0"/>
  </characteristic>
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 4: HTTP configuration XML: reset client**

If the functionality is temporarily reverted to its default behaviour on a device, the device should perform the configuration query each time it is booted up.

If the Service Provider chooses to permanently revert the configured functionality on a device/client to default behaviour with the configuration query performed at boot/start-up disabled. In this case the response shall carry an XML document in the format defined in section 4 containing only the VERS characteristic with version and the validity, both set to -1 as illustrated in Table 5:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="VERS">
    <parm name="version" value="-1"/>
    <parm name="validity" value="-1"/>
  </characteristic>
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 5: HTTP configuration XML: reset client and stop configuration query**

In this case, if the SIM is swapped or the device is reset, the device shall again query for configuration settings on each start-up assuming that client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration applies. There shall be no other way for the user to trigger a new configuration query. As

described in section 3, the configuration client shall also be re-enabled when a SMS message is received requesting a first time configuration.

If the Service Provider chooses to revert the functionality on a device/client to default behaviour (including the disabling configuration query performed at start-up) until there is a User Interface (UI) dependent user action triggering a new query, the response shall carry an XML document in the format defined in section 4 containing only the VERS characteristic with version and the validity, both set to -2 as illustrated in Table 6:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="VERS">
    <parm name="version" value="-2"/>
    <parm name="validity" value="-2"/>
  </characteristic>
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 6: HTTP configuration XML: reset client until user input and stop configuration query**

If the SIM is swapped or the device is reset, the device shall again query for configuration settings on each start-up assuming that client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration applies. As described in section 3, it shall also be re-enabled when a SMS message is received requesting a first time configuration.

### 2.2.3 User Messages

Optionally (that is the tag may not be present), the XML configuration document may be used to convey a user message associated with the result of the configuration server response. The additional XML section is displayed in Table 7:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  ...
  <characteristic type="MSG">
    <parm name="title" value="Example"/>
    <parm name="message" value="Hello world"/>
    <parm name="Accept_btn" value="1"/>
    <parm name="Reject_btn" value="0"/>
  </characteristic>
  ...
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 7: HTTP configuration: User notification/message sample**

The meaning of the different parameters is described as follows:

- **Title:** The window title where the user message is displayed.
- **Message:** The message that is displayed to the user. Please note the message may contain references to HTTP addresses (websites) that need to be highlighted and converted into links by the device/client.
- **Accept\_btn:** This indicates whether an "Accept" button is shown with the message on the device UI. The action associated with the Accept button on the device/client is to clear the message box.

A value of 1 indicates that an “Accept” button has to be displayed.

A value of 0 indicates that no “Accept” button has to be displayed.

- **Reject\_btn:** This indicates whether the “Decline” button is shown with the message on the device UI. The action associated with the Reject button on the device/client side is to revert the configured services to their defined default behaviour.

A value of 1 indicates that a “Decline” button has to be displayed.

A value of 0 indicates that no “Decline” button has to be displayed.

This parameter is optional, when not provided a default value of 0 shall be assumed.

NOTE: if a Reject\_btn is not to be displayed (i.e. the corresponding parameter is set to 0 or is not included), the configuration shall be enabled regardless of whether the user actually presses the “Accept” button.

The *MSG* characteristic (i.e. the user message) is optional and will only be present for the following types of configuration server responses:

1. The response containing the full configuration settings.
2. The response disabling configuration on the device (version and validity are set to 0 or a negative value).

The device should display the message and the relevant/configured buttons in the following configuration server response scenarios:

- After receiving the full configuration settings, only if:
  - Working configuration was previously unavailable, including an unavailable working configuration following a SIM change; or
  - Following a terminal reset
- After receiving the disabling configuration response.

The device/client shall send language/locale settings to the server to set the language/locale of the user message. The client should therefore include the HTTP *Accept-Language* header in all the requests and set the value of this header consistent with the device locale.



### Figure 3: Autoconfiguration server notification example

#### 2.2.4 Use Case Overview

Although previously introduced, this section summarizes the different use cases to indicate the corresponding device behaviour for each scenario:

1. **First detection:** This is the first time a user makes use of a device. If the process is successful the device receives the correct configuration XML including the validity period of associated configuration parameters. If the device has no issues (i.e. the device receives no errors) during the registration process, the device refrains from contacting the server again until the validity period has expired. As mentioned previously, this process could require several retries to be attempted until the provisioning in IMS is successfully performed.  
Please note that for those devices not having successfully completed the configuration process yet, any Service specific UX available on the device should follow that service's default behaviour (i.e. vanilla behaviour) until a valid configuration is successfully received and processed.
2. **Version checking, no changes:** If the validity period has expired, or the client has been instructed to retry the configuration process, the device sends a request to verify that it has the correct configuration. If the device already has the latest version, the client receives an XML configuration document containing only the same version as the one that was provided by the client already with the validity period reset to a value specified by the configuration server. This indicates that the configuration the device/client currently has is correct and, as a result, the validity period is renewed as indicated by the updated validity parameter value provided as part of the configuration server response.
3. **Version checking, new version available:** If the server has a new version of a subset of the fixed configuration parameters (for example the registration Internet Protocol (IP) address) or if the user has requested a reconfiguration through their Service Provider's Customer Care, the device/client receives a new configuration XML the next time the device/client verifies its version
4. **Validation process is not OK:** If either the device/client or the subscriber is barred from accessing one or more service, the device will either receive an XML with the configuration version and validity attributes set to 0 or a document providing the configuration only for those services that would be allowed reverting to default behaviour for the others.  
Consequently, the device/client must remove the existing configuration and revert to vanilla behaviour (that is any Service-specific UX on the device/client provides only the default behaviour or is disabled).
5. **SIM change:** If the SIM changes, the previous working configuration should be backed up by the device/client and the device/client should behave as if no configuration is available (that is first-time configuration) and, follow the process described in 2.2.1. Please note that if a working configuration backup associated with the new SIM available on the device/client exists, the validity period should be checked and, if it is still valid, the backup working configuration should be used instead of the device issuing a new configuration request.

6. User with different devices. If a user uses multiple devices, the same configuration shall be valid for all their devices. The described process shall ensure that the device the user is currently using has the latest version.
7. User asks Customer Care to disable (i.e., opt out of) (some) services. In this case the user will be un-provisioned from the network elements providing those services, and when the application asks for a reconfiguration it will, depending on the status of other services, either receive a XML configuration document with the version and validity set to 0 or a document that disables those services while configuring the others. The service shall remain disabled until the user requests Customer Care to provision their device (i.e. to opt in) for the service again. As a result of disabling a service, the capable device/client shall remove the currently working configuration for that service and disable the Service-specific UX (that is reverting to vanilla behaviour).
8. User changes settings that potentially affects service delivery. If the user changes a setting that is relayed to the network as part of the (service-specific) HTTP GET parameters and client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration applies, this shall trigger a new configuration query with the new value of those parameters.

NOTE: All scenarios described above comply with one of the following behaviours of the application on the device:

- First time device/client utilization: if the device/client does not have the correct configuration (version 0 or it is unable to successfully complete the registration process), the device will send a request at each boot sequence (or when the client is restarted) if client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration applies.
- If the configuration server returned a HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error response on the first time configuration request, the client shall start the SMS based configuration flow as if it were using non-3GPP access (see section 2.3.2).
- The HTTP(S) configuration or re-configuration is triggered as described in section 3
- If the device/client has received the proper configuration, then it shall not request for a new version unless:
  - The validity period has expired, or,
  - It is not able to enable a configured service using the provided configuration

In these cases, the device/client shall immediately request for a new version and not wait until the next reboot/restart.

- If the response received from the configuration server by the client/device is 503 Retry-After, the device/client shall retry the request after the time specified in the "Retry-After" header included as part of the configuration server response.
  - If any other error occurs (for example being unable to resolve the URL or getting an error from the configuration server) the device/client shall retry the procedure during the next time reboot sequence;
  - In the particular case of a client/device receiving a 403 Forbidden, the existing configuration should be removed from the device/client.



- In other error cases (e.g. a 500 Internal Error is issued by the configuration server or the configuration server is unreachable), if a valid configuration is available then, the device/client should keep using it, even if the configuration has expired.
- The following is applicable to both 403 Forbidden and other configuration server error responses:
  - To include scenarios whereby a device migrates to a network without support for this mechanism, the maximum number of unsuccessful consecutive configuration retries allowed by a device (including unsuccessful Domain Name System (DNS) lookup queries) shall be set to 5.
  - If configuration errors persist, the default behaviour for the services to be configured is provided by the client/device and the configuration sequence performed during the boot sequence is disabled.
  - If the SIM is changed or the device is reset, the device should again query for configuration settings on every boot sequence if the client-triggered HTTP(S) configuration applies.

Table 8 enumerates all possible configuration server response codes (including error cases):

Response	Use case	Client behaviour
200 OK	Initial HTTP request response	The client sends the HTTPS request including the cookie
503 Retry after	The server is processing the request/provision	Retry after the time specified in the "Retry-After" header
200 OK + XML with full configuration and (optional) token	New or updated configuration sent to the device	Process the configuration, try to register and if successful, do not try reconfiguration until the validity period is expired or SIM is changed
200 OK + XML with version and validity period only and (optional) token	No update needed	Retry only after validity period or SIM change
200 OK + XML with version and validity period only and both set to 0	Customer or device are not valid or the customer has been deprovisioned from the services to be configured	Retry only after next restart or SIM change If a configuration was available, it shall be removed from the client.
200 OK + XML with version and validity period only and both set to -1	Customer or device are not valid or the customer has been deprovisioned from the services to be configured	The client shall no longer retry autoconfiguration until SIM is changed or a factory reset performed. If a configuration was available, it shall be removed from the client.
200 OK + XML with version and validity period only and both set to -2	Customer or device are not valid or the customer has been deprovisioned from the services to be configured	The client shall no longer retry autoconfiguration until there is a user action that requires client configuration. If a configuration was available, it shall be removed from the client.

500 Internal Server error (or any other HTTP error except 403)	Internal error during configuration/provisioning	Retry on next reboot/the next time the client starts
401 Unauthorized with WWW-Authenticate header containing realm with 3GPP-bootstrapping indication	The configuration server instructs the client to use HTTP digest authentication based on a bootstrapped security association	The client invokes the digest authentication with the configuration server as defined in section 2.4. If no bootstrapped security association exists the bootstrapping procedure is invoked first.
401 Unauthorized in result of a configuration request using a bootstrapped security association	The configuration server requests the renegotiation of the bootstrapped security association.	The client renegotiates the bootstrapped security association with the procedure defined in section 2.4.2.2. A new configuration request shall be sent afterwards using the new bootstrapped security association.
403 Forbidden	Invalid request (e.g. missing parameters, wrong format)	The configuration is removed in the device and version is set to 0. Retry on next reboot, the next time the client starts
409 Conflict	A duplicate value was provided for the friendly_device_name	The user should be asked to provide another value for the friendly_device_name parameter and the configuration request should be retried including the new value NOTE: this return code is only applicable to the friendly_device_name as that is the only parameter controlled by the user that could generate a conflict
511 Network Authentication Required	Network-based authentication is not possible (e.g. in case of non-PS access or security enhanced configuration mechanism over PS access).	Client starts non-PS configuration flow as defined in 2.3 including the cookie if provided.
The configuration server is unreachable	configuration server missing or down	Retry on next reboot, the next time the client starts

**Table 8: Summary of autoconfiguration responses and scenarios**

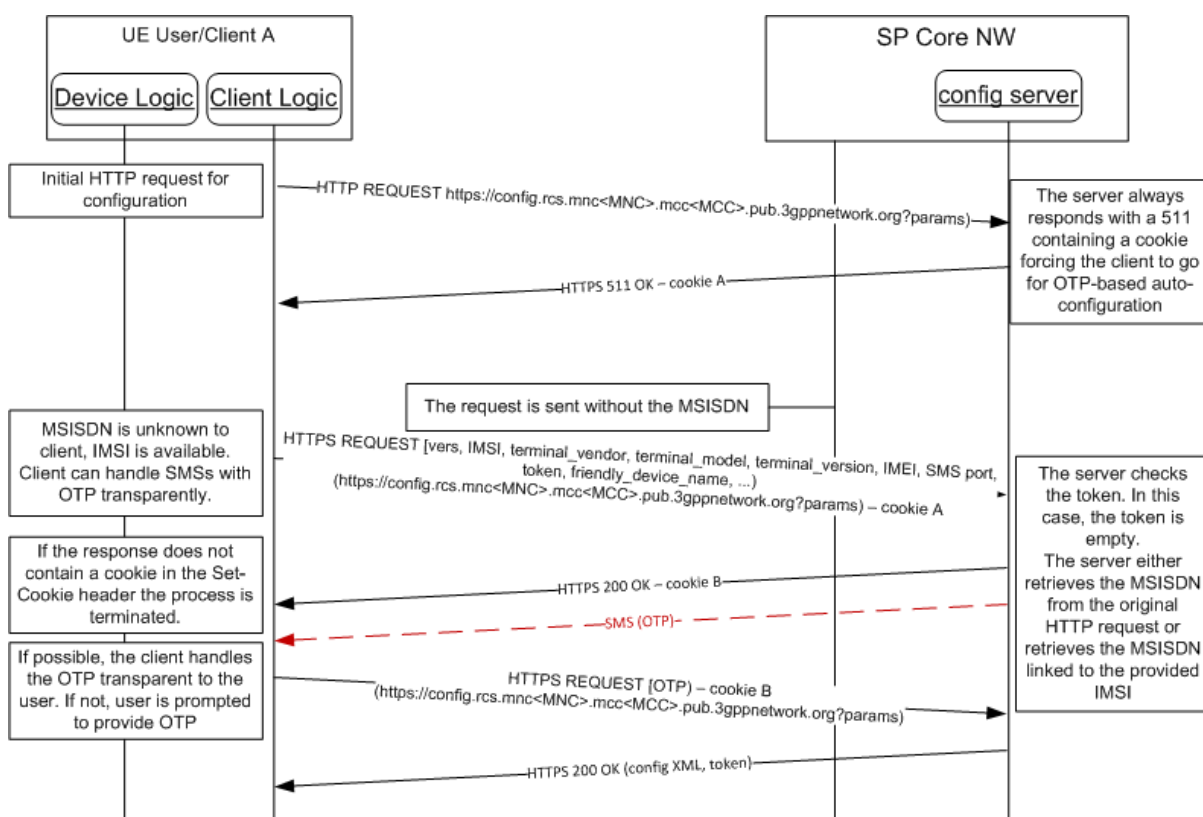
### 2.2.5 Security considerations

For terminals carrying the SIM associated to the user's main identity the connection is carried out over the PS access network, therefore the current design reduces the risk of a man-in-the-middle attack whereby a third party is able to impersonate the configuration server.

To secure interoperability between Service Providers and to reduce complexity on the device/client, the HTTP configuration server shall make use of public root certificates issued by a recognized Certification Authority (CA), that is the root certificates are similar to those

used by standard webservers which are widely recognized by browsers and web-runtime implementations both in PCs and devices.

To address security concerns due to mobile application system vulnerabilities (e.g. provisioning of malicious applications that appear to the Configuration Server as “trusted” applications), the security enhanced configuration mechanism could be implemented. In that case, the procedures to resolve the user’s MSISDN (that is RADIUS requests, header enrichment and so on) shall be used only for acquiring the user’s MSISDN and not for verifying the user’s identity. Specifically, an HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED response shall be generated by the configuration server that contains a cookie as part of the response to the initial HTTP request (Set-Cookie header). The client shall then initiate the SMS based configuration mechanism (see section 2.3.2) without requesting the user to provide its MSISDN. The configuration server shall expect the client to provide that cookie in the subsequent HTTPS request (in the Cookie header).



**Figure 4: HTTP Configuration: Security enhanced**

**NOTE:** The Service provider shall be able to select between the standard and security enhanced configuration mechanism. It is up to the Service Provider policy to select the most appropriate configuration mechanisms for particular configuration requests.

### 2.3 HTTP(S) based client configuration mechanism over non-3GPP access

One of the main limitations of the HTTP configuration mechanism described in section 2.2 is that it only can take place over PS access, as header enrichment is required to identify the subscriber. As an alternative, based on the mechanism presented in section 2.5 to configure additional devices based on an initial SMS exchange, the current section introduces the

process to get a primary device configured when 3GPP PS access is not available to the client.

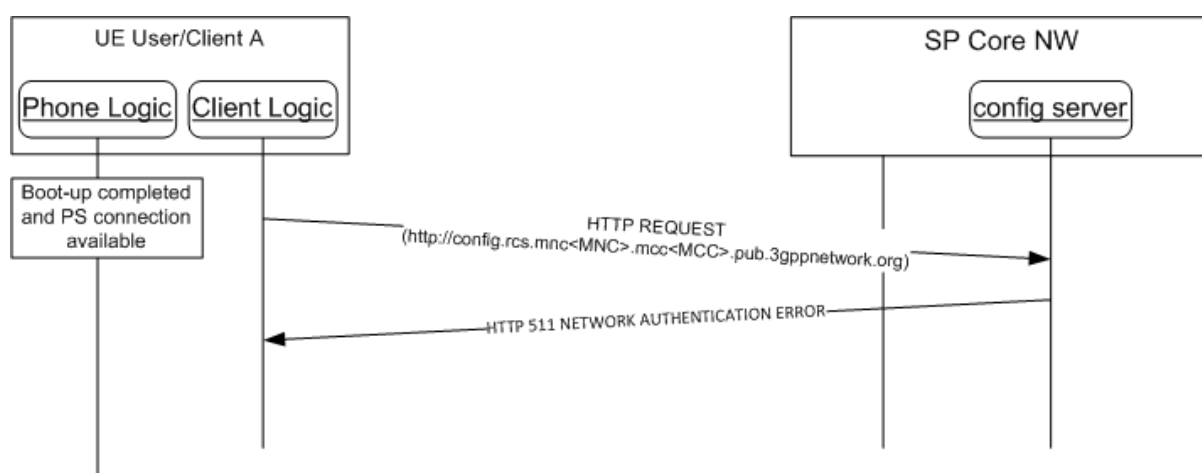
Finally, note that this mechanism shall only be used when it is not possible to perform the configuration over a PS connection.

### 2.3.1 Overview

Depending on the specific solution, the client may be able to identify that it is not possible to perform the configuration over PS access (e.g. because currently only Wi-Fi connections are available). In that case the client can obtain the configuration by following the procedures in section 2.3.2. For clients that are not aware of the connectivity section 2.3.1.1 provides a specific procedure that can be used for the case where the client can guarantee that any cellular connection in the path to the service provider's configuration server is terminated locally.

#### 2.3.1.1 Clients not able to identify bearer of configuration request

There is a specific case where the solution is not able to identify whether or not configuration is done over cellular access. In these circumstances a solution that is able to ensure that any cellular connection in the path towards the configuration server is terminated on the device itself (e.g. if Wi-Fi is used it is not tethered to a cellular PS connection), shall perform a first request for configuration using the standard HTTP configuration mechanism described in section 2.2:



**Figure 5: HTTP configuration mechanism: Failed request due to missing header enrichment**

NOTE1: The use of another device's PS connection (e.g. a Wi-Fi to cellular-PS-router) may lead to an incorrect identification of the requesting device. Therefore this request can only be sent reliably by clients that can be aware that any PS connection in the path towards the configuration server is provided by themselves.

NOTE2: Most clients connected over Wi-Fi will not be able to verify that there is no cellular connection used further down the path towards the configuration server and should therefore start immediately with a HTTPS request as described in section 2.3.2.

When this initial request is performed over a non-PS access network, the configuration server is unable to successfully identify/verify the identity of the requester (i.e. RADIUS or header enrichment is no longer an option). In this case, the configuration server shall reply with an HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error response and the client should continue with the procedure described in section 2.3.2. Otherwise the procedure in section 2.2 shall be followed.

### **2.3.2 Non-cellular configuration**

When performing the configuration over non-cellular access (either because the access is known to be non-cellular or as a result of the procedure in section 2.3.1.1), the client shall follow the SMS based configuration mechanism as detailed in this section:

The non-cellular access configuration request differs from the configuration request in cellular access with regard to the user identification parameters provided by the client. In addition, the non-cellular configuration supports a mechanism for verification of the identification data provided by the client using a One Time Password (OTP) sent to the client or the to the user via SMS.

In accordance with the definitions of the parameters of the HTTPS configuration request in Table 9 the client shall provide values for the parameters token, MSISDN and IMSI as defined below.

Depending on the client capability to access SIM data (e.g. the user's IMSI) two situations exist:

1. The client is not able to retrieve the IMSI of the SIM:

The IMSI parameter shall always be omitted from requests. The following use cases apply for the determination of MSISDN and token.

- If the client has
  - stored neither a token nor
  - a MSISDN and
  - the request is not caused by a previous configuration response containing a cookie,

it shall prompt the user to provide a MSISDN in E.164 format.

In this case the value of the MSISDN parameter shall take the number entered by the user. The value of the token parameter shall be left empty as defined in Table 9.

- If the client has
  - not stored a token and
  - has stored a MSISDN from a previous user input or has derived it from the Public\_User\_Identity parameter (defined in [PRD-RCC.15]) of the client configuration and
  - the request is not caused by a previous configuration response containing a cookie,

it may prompt the user to enter a MSISDN in E.164 format with the stored value as recommendation or may use the MSISDN without user interaction.

In this case the value of the MSISDN parameter shall take the value discovered by the client. The value of the token parameter shall be left empty.

- If the client has not stored a token and the configuration request is caused by a previous configuration response containing a cookie, the client shall not prompt the user to enter the MSISDN and set the parameters as follows:
  - the token parameter shall be left empty
  - the MSISDN parameter shall be set to the value taken from a previous user input or as derived from the Public\_User\_Identity parameter (defined in [PRD-RCC.15]) of the client configuration or it shall be omitted if none of these sources apply.
- If the client has stored a token it shall use it to set the value of the token parameter. The MSISDN parameter shall be set to the value of the MSISDN stored with the token being either derived from the Public\_User\_Identity parameter (defined in [PRD-RCC.15]) or from previous user input or shall be omitted if these sources do not apply.

2. The client is able to retrieve the IMSI of the SIM:

The client shall set the value of the IMSI parameter always to the IMSI value derived from the SIM.

The value of the MSISDN parameter shall be set to the MSISDN derived from the Public\_User\_Identity parameter (defined in [PRD-RCC.15]) of the client configuration or shall be omitted from the request. If the provisioning request is caused by the configuration server response with status 403 FORBIDDEN as defined in section 2.3.4 the client shall prompt the user to enter the MSISDN. In this case the MSISDN value shall be taken from the user input and may be the source of the MSISDN parameter values in subsequent requests.

If the client has not stored a token, it shall leave the value of the token parameter empty as defined in Table 9.

If the client has stored a token it shall use it to set the value of the token parameter as defined in Table 9.

The client behaviour to supply the identification parameters in the request is the same regardless whether it is sent in result of a previous configuration response containing a cookie or not.

In addition to the user identification data the client shall indicate via the SMS\_port parameter defined in Table 9 whether it supports the OTP handling in the background (non-zero value in SMS\_port) or not.

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
vers	<p>This is either -2, -1, 0 or a positive integer. 0 indicates that the configuration must be updated (e.g. the configuration is damaged, non-existent or an update is needed following a SIM change).</p> <p>A positive value indicates the version of the static parameters (those which are not user dependent) so the server can evaluate whether an update is required.</p> <p>-1 indicates that the device/client is providing the default behaviour for the services that would be configured and has disabled the autoconfiguration query performed at boot. This may be used by the client/device to inform the SP that the functionality was permanently disabled from the device.</p> <p>-2 indicates that for the services to be configured the default behaviour needs to be provided (including the disabling of the configuration query at boot), but a configuration query might be triggered on user action.</p>	Y	Int (-2, -1, 0 or a positive integer)
IMSI (International Mobile Subscriber Identity)	If available, the subscriber's IMSI shall be sent as a parameter.	N if the OS platform allows it, it shall be included	String (15 digits)
provisioning_version	String that identifies the version of the service provider device configuration supported by the client. It shall be set to "2.0" (without the quotes) for clients following this specification.	Y	String (4 max), Case-Sensitive
terminal_vendor	String that identifies the device OEM.	Y	String (4 max), Case-Sensitive
terminal_model	String that identifies the device model.	Y	String (10 max), Case-Sensitive
terminal_sw_version	String that identifies the device software version.	Y	String (10 max), Case-Sensitive
IMEI	If available, the subscriber's IMEI shall be sent as a parameter. Those Service Providers that support a comprehensive device database can ignore the terminal_X parameters and use the IMEI instead, if it was available to the implementation.	N if the OS platform allows it, it shall be included	String (15 digits)

msisdn	MSISDN, in E.164 format, of the primary SIM which is used to derive the user's main identity. It shall be present if the request is sent in result of a user prompt to enter the MSISDN.  In all other cases it shall be present if the client is able to discover a value from the client configuration or if the client has stored the value of a previous user input which caused a successful configuration response.	N	E.164 (+44790000001) in international format  NOTE: In case that msisdn comes with a plus sign, the client shall provide the msisdn value with the plus sign encoded as per [RFC3986] section 2.1.
SMS_port	This parameter sets the User Data Header (UDH) port that has to be used for the SMS that is to be employed to validate the requester through an OTP.  If set to 0, the client indicates the server that the SMS UDH procedures are not supported either by the client or the platform, so a standard SMS (user visible) shall be used instead.  If not set, the default port value used shall be 37273.	N	Int (0-65355)
token	If the client has not stored a token (e.g. it is the first time the device requests configuration), the parameter shall contain an empty string. Otherwise it shall contain the token value obtained in the initial configuration response.	Y	String
friendly_device_name	If provided by the user, a user friendly identification for the device may be passed along that can be used by the network when presenting the user with an overview of their devices.  NOTE: this parameter needs to be included only if required for one of the services to be configured. In which case its mandatory character will be documented in the relevant service specific documents	N, only to be provided if provided by the user	String (30 max before escaping), Case-Sensitive

**Table 9: HTTP configuration for primary devices over non-PS access: HTTPS request GET parameters**

The subsequent client and configuration server procedures for user identification over non-PS access are defined as follows:

1. If the token value is empty in the request and the network allows configuring of devices using this mechanism, then the configuration server responds with an HTTP



200 OK response that includes a new cookie (Set-Cookie header) request and optionally a configuration xml document containing a POLICY characteristic with a SMS\_port zero policy parameter as defined in sections 2.3.3, if the initial configuration request did contain a SMS\_port parameter with a non-zero value.

- a) Following the request, an SMS message shall be sent to the primary device, i.e. the device using the SIM associated with the MSISDN or IMSI sent in the HTTP request. This SMS message will contain an OTP. The format of this SMS is covered in detail in section 2.3.3.

NOTE: the configuration server provider may implement mechanisms on the server to protect it from suspicious or potentially malicious transactions (e.g. a client causing too many SMS messages)

- b) If the client has sent in the configuration request a SMS\_port parameter with value "0" or if the subsequent HTTP 200 OK response did contain a POLICY characteristic with a SMS\_port zero policy parameter as defined in sections 2.3.3 then, the client shall prompt the user to enter the OTP. The prompt should request the user to manually enter the value that will be received via SMS.
- c) If the user has entered the OTP after being requested as defined in step a) or if the client has received the SMS with the OTP in the format defined in step 1 in section 2.3.3 for all other cases, the client shall send a second HTTPS request using the following parameters in the GET request

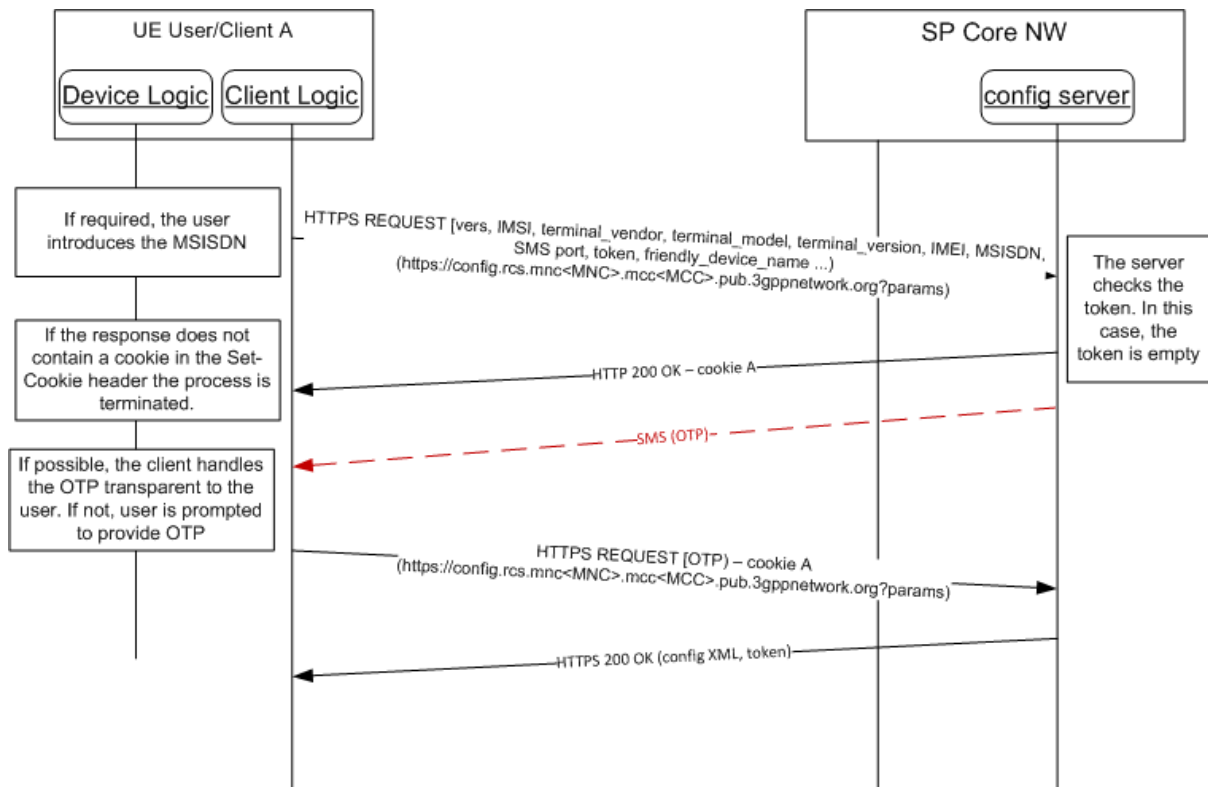
Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
OTP	This is the password received on the primary device using the SIM associated with the provided MSISDN/IMSI	Y	String

**Table 10: HTTP configuration for primary devices: Second and final HTTPS request GET parameters**

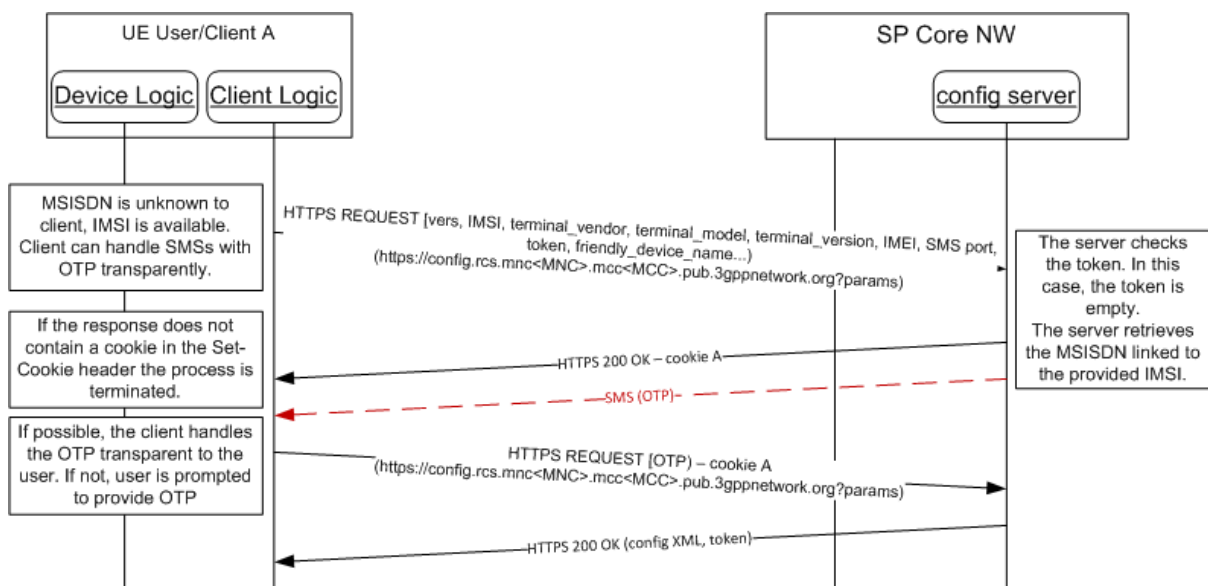
In addition, the second HTTPS request shall include the cookie obtained in the previous HTTP 200 OK response at the start of this procedure so that the configuration server is able to correlate the initial and subsequent HTTPS requests.

If the user has been requested to enter the OTP as defined in step ii and the user aborts it, then the client may provide a mechanism to prompt the user to start the client configuration procedure from the beginning (e.g. after a timeout period) including the request to enter the MSISDN depending on the use case. This may cover scenarios where the user is not able to receive the OTP via SMS, e.g. due to missing network connection. If the user is not able to authenticate itself for a time determined by the client, the client shall remove the client configuration from the device and apply the default behaviour. It may inform the user about the consequences of the abortion.

In the success case the subsequent procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3.

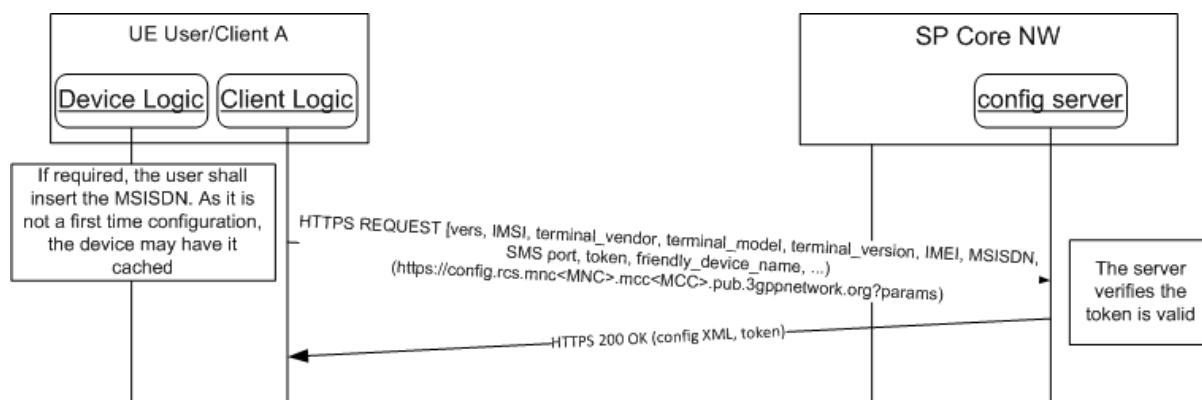


**Figure 6: HTTP configuration for primary devices over non-PS access with MSISDN: empty token**



**Figure 7: HTTP configuration for primary devices over non-PS access with only IMSI: empty token**

2. If a token value was sent in the request and the token is valid (i.e. the user is identified) and the token privileges the server to issue a client configuration, then from this point the procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3., i.e. the configuration server returns a 200 OK response with a configuration XML document.



**Figure 8: HTTP configuration for primary devices over non-PS access: Valid token**

3. If a token value was sent in the request and the token is valid (i.e. the user is identified) but the token does not privilege the server to issue a client configuration, then the configuration server responds with an HTTP 200 OK response same as defined for the case 1 in this section. In this case the client shall delete the locally stored token and shall follow the procedure defined in case 1.

For the definition of additional use cases for the token based user identification refer to section 2.3.4.

### 2.3.3 SMS format to receive the OTP value

In case of a primary device configuration, the device receiving the SMS containing the OTP password shall match the device where the client is running, the preferred approach is that the SMS is sent in a format that allows the client to intercept the OTP in a transparent manner. In order to do so, the configuration server shall perform the following steps:

1. If the value for the SMS\_port parameter included in the HTTPS request sent by the device after receiving a HTTP 511 error response is a positive integer in the range between 1 and 65535 and the configuration server supports the UDH handling procedure (as per [3GPP TS 23.040]) to send a SMS to a specific port, then the following SMS format convention shall be used:
  - DataCodingScheme = 08 (UCS2)
  - UserDataHeader = 06 05 04 4074 0000
  - UDHL length fields=06 05 04,
  - Destination port: port provided by the client in HTTP request encoded in hex. If not provided, 37273 (0x9199) shall be the default value.
  - Source Port: 0000 (0 in decimal)
  - Content of the message shall be the OTP encoded in the same format the Service Provider uses to transmit user readable SMS messages.

With this convention, an SMS sent to the device shall be routed to an application listening for SMS on the port indicated by the client and shall be handled transparently to the user.

2. If SMS\_port is set to 0, the UDH procedures are not supported either by the client or the platform/OS the client runs on. Consequently, the server shall send a standard

SMS and the user shall be prompted by the client to manually provide the OTP code to the client (e.g. via a text box).

Where the Service Provider wants to send a standard SMS for the OTP code, the SMS\_port parameter shall be included in the HTTPS 200 OK response sent by the configuration server just before the SMS that carries the OTP code (see HTTP flows presented in figures 9 and 10). The response shall carry an XML document containing the SMS\_port parameter set to 0 as illustrated in Table 11:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<wap-provisioningdoc version="1.1">
  <characteristic type="POLICY">
    <parm name="SMS_port" value="0"/>
  </characteristic>
</wap-provisioningdoc>
```

**Table 11: HTTPS configuration XML: SMS\_port zero policy**

In this case the OTP handling that is transparent to the user is not possible and the client prompts the user to enter the OTP which is received via SMS.

**NOTE:** The Service Provider should allow enough time prior to sending the SMS with the OTP code so as to make sure that the client has received the HTTPS 200 OK response that carries the XML with the SMS\_port parameter set to zero. This response shall be sent always considering the provisioning\_version parameter and thus ensuring backward compatibility. In case that the Service Provider sets a different value to the SMS\_port parameter, this value shall be ignored by the client.

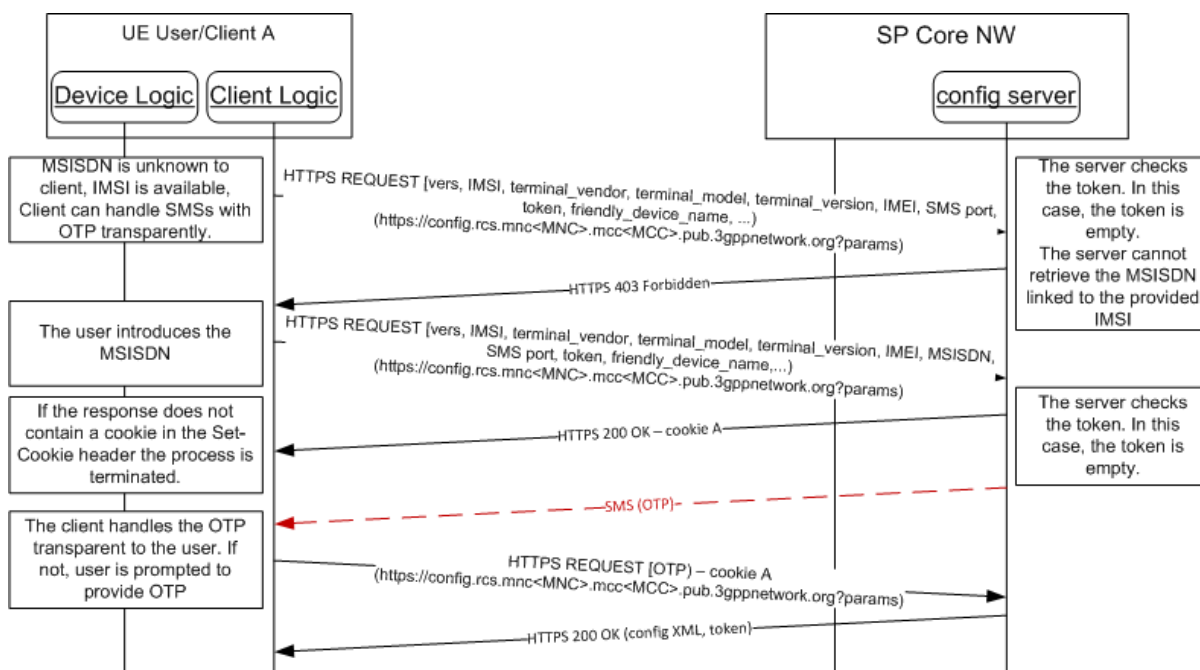
### 2.3.4 Use cases review

The error conditions and use case scenarios covered in section 2.2.4 also apply for configuration over non-PS access, but in this case any disabling of the client shall be limited to that specific non-PS network. Further configuration attempts shall thus be done when the device connects to a cellular or another non-PS network. In addition to those errors, for the process of performing a configuration over non-PS access networks the following specific error conditions shall be taken into account and supported:

1. In the scenario where the user was prompted to provide an MSISDN, the given MSISDN may be invalid or unauthorized to retrieve the Service configuration. As a result, the initial configuration request shall be answered by the configuration server with an HTTP 403 FORBIDDEN error response. In this case the client may provide the user to retry client configuration by entering the MSISDN again. If the user identification continues to fail for a number of times determined by the client, the client shall remove an existing client configuration from the device and apply the default behaviour.

If the user aborts the identification procedure the client shall remove an existing client configuration from the device and apply the default behaviour. The client may inform the user about the consequences of the abortion.

- In the case where the initial configuration request did contain only the IMSI parameter for user identification (see section 2.3.2), the configuration server can request the client to prompt the user for to enter a MSISDN. This is likely if the network does not support user identification based on IMSI. In that case the Configuration Server shall answer to the initial configuration request with a HTTP 403 FORBIDDEN response. In this case the client shall not remove an existing client configuration and request the user for input of the MSISDN and perform the procedure including the MSISDN. This is shown in the flow in Figure 9:



**Figure 9: HTTP configuration for primary devices over non-PS access with only IMSI: Not supported by the network**

- If the client has sent a HTTP configuration as defined in step 1.c) of section 2.3.2 and The OTP password is invalid, then the configuration server shall reply with an HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error response.

If the OTP was entered by the user caused by the client supporting SMS\_port value "0" only (see section 2.3.2) or by the service provider applying SMS\_port zero policy (see section 2.3.3) then the client should offer the user to retry entering the OTP value. If the retry fails a number of times or if the user aborts the procedure the client shall remove an existing client configuration from the device and apply the default behaviour, see also step 1.c) in section 2.3.2.

In all other cases the client shall remove an existing client configuration immediately after receiving the first HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error response and apply default behaviour.

- If the token in the configuration request is invalid, the configuration server replies with an HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error response. The client shall remove the previously stored token and re-start the client configuration as defined for cases without a stored token.

### **2.3.5 Security considerations**

The same access security considerations described in section 2.2.5 for the standard HTTP(S) configuration mechanism also apply in this case.

Service Providers may request the client to fall back to the client configuration mechanism over non-3GPP access while requesting configuration in 3GPP access to secure the user identification via header enrichment, as defined in section 2.2.5.

In addition, as a Service Provider Option, the configuration server is able to enforce a policy for the OTP challenge on primary devices being always visible to the user, especially for the case where the client would be able to apply it transparently by use of the SMS UDH procedure. If the client receives a Configuration Response in HTTP 200 OK with a "SMS port zero" policy (see section 2.3.3) then it shall expect the reception of the OTP via user visible SMS. Thus it shall prompt the user to enter the OTP and continue processing with the user input only.

## **2.4 HTTP(S) based client configuration mechanism with GBA Authentication**

### **2.4.1 Overview**

The General Bootstrapping Architecture (GBA) defined in [3GPP TS 33.220] provides mechanisms for AKA based user authentication using the 3GPP Authentication Centre (AuC) and the USIM or ISIM. The HTTP(s) based client configuration mechanism supports the authentication of primary devices via GBA.

The Authentication Procedure consists of two parts. The basis for the user authentication between the device and network applications is a bootstrapped security association. The association provides the client with a Bootstrapping Transaction Identifier (B-TID) and key material which can be used by clients of the device to authenticate the user with network applications. In non-3GPP access only the configuration request procedure for clients with access to SIM data defined in section 2.3.2 applies.

An application client will use the B-TID and the key material for the authentication with a specific network application. For the Service Provider Device Configuration HTTP Digest Authentication is used.

The end-to-end implementation of GBA is defined in [3GPP TS 33.220]. The protocol extension of the client configuration protocol shall be implemented according to [3GPP TS 24.109].

### **2.4.2 Use Case review**

#### **2.4.2.1 HTTP Digest Authentication**

Precondition for the use of this procedure for authentication within the HTTP(s) based client configuration is the support of GBA as defined in [3GPP TS 33.220] on the device and in the Service Provider network.

The GBA Authentication can be applied independent from the access network type (3GPP or non-3GPP). However, a client supporting GBA based HTTP digest authentication shall

invoke the client configuration mechanisms in accordance with the access network type, i.e. in 3GPP access as defined in section 2.2, in non-3GPP access as defined in section 2.3.

When sending the secured configuration request the client supporting GBA shall indicate it by the addition of a GBA product token in the User-Agent header as defined in [3GPP TS 24.109].

If the Service Provider's configuration server does not support GBA based HTTP digest authentication it returns responses as defined in sections 2.2 and 2.3 respectively. Device configuration commences as defined at the same place.

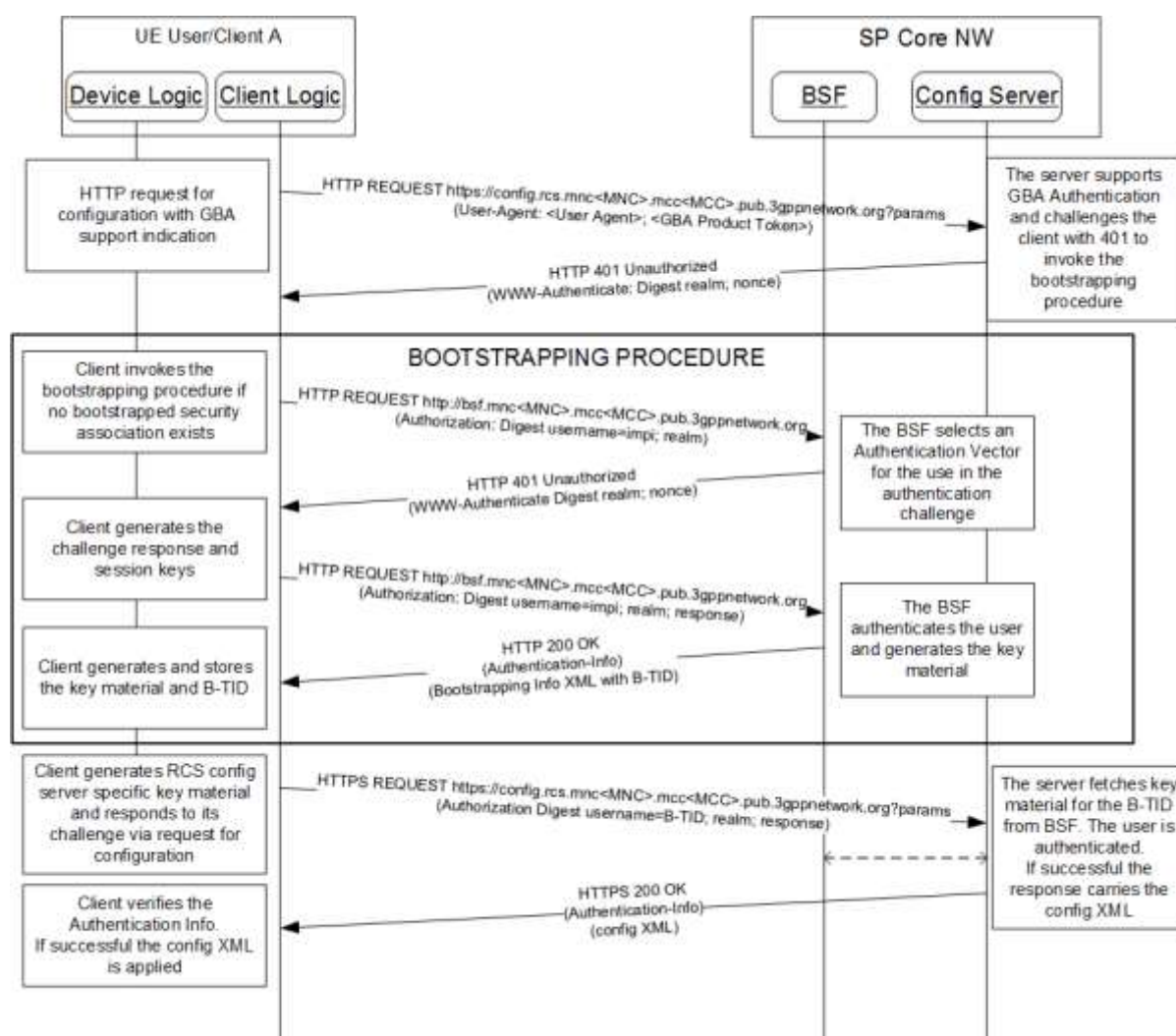
If the Service Provider's configuration server supports GBA based authentication then it returns an HTTP 401 Authorization Required response with a WWW-Authenticate header instructing the client to use HTTP digest Authentication with a bootstrapped security association.

If the client has no bootstrapped security association in place it shall invoke the bootstrapping procedure defined in section 2.4.2.2 to generate it.

If the client has a bootstrapped security association in place it shall use the stored key material and the B-TID to generate keys specific to the configuration server as defined in [3GPP TS 33.220]. With the key material and the B-TID it shall generate the Authorization header to be sent in a new secured request for client configuration.

The configuration server will fetch the B-TID and key material from the Bootstrapping Server Function (BSF) and complete the digest authentication. If successful, a 200 OK response containing an Authentication-Info header and the configuration XML will be returned to the client. The configuration server may request the client to renegotiate the bootstrapped security association (e.g. due to expiry) by returning a 401 "Unauthorized" response. When the client receives the 401 "Unauthorized" response it shall renegotiate the bootstrapped security association with the procedure defined in section 2.4.2.2.

The client shall validate the Authentication-Info header information and apply the configuration XML.



**Figure 10: HTTP configuration for primary devices using GBA**

### 2.4.2.2 Bootstrapping Procedure

The device will invoke the bootstrapping procedure with the service provider's BSF to generate a bootstrapped security association as defined in [3GPP TS 24.109]. This section provides an informative overview of the procedure.

The URI of the BSF is derived by the client from the IMSI or the user's private identity (IMPI) as defined in [3GPP TS 23.003]. The client creates an HTTP GET request with an authorization header as defined in [3GPP TS 24.109] and sends it to the BSF. The authorization header contains the user's private identity (IMPI) as username. If the device is not able to get the user's private identity (IMPI) from the SIM, it shall be constructed from the IMSI as defined in [3GPP TS 23.003].

On receipt of the request for authentication the BSF retrieves and selects an Authentication Vector for use in the authorisation challenge [3GPP TS 33.220]. It returns a HTTP 401 Authorization Required response to the client with a WWW-Authenticate header instructing the client to authenticate itself.



The client runs the AKA algorithm [RFC3310] to calculate the challenge response which is sent back to the BSF in the Authorization header of a subsequent HTTP GET request. It also calculates the session keys.

On reception of the GET request the BSF authenticates the user based on the challenge response received from the client. It generates the B-TID for the IMPI and stores the session keys. It informs the client about the success of the authentication in the Authentication-Info header of the 200 OK response. The response contains also the bootstrapping XML with the B-TID. The client generates the key material and stores it for subsequent authorisations.

## **2.5 Configuration of additional devices sharing the same identity**

This section describes the process of autoconfiguration authentication for clients on additional devices not carrying a SIM or carrying a SIM which is not used for user authentication. In this case the additional device will share the identity assigned to a primary device with SIM..

### **2.5.1 First-time configuration**

During first-time configuration, the device implementation/client will receive the credentials associated with the primary SIM card of the user regardless of the type of connection they are using (e.g. Wi-Fi, PS) to reach the Configuration server.

The process is as follows:

1. As an option, the device implementation/client will offer the possibility to the user to perform manual provisioning
2. The user is prompted for the MSISDN or SIP URI of the primary device and the Service Provider associated with the primary SIM. The account created is always associated with this primary identity that the user has to input into the application. Please note that, as a pre-condition, the aforementioned identity must already be provisioned using the mechanism described in previous sections.
3. The device performs the HTTPS configuration as presented in section 2.2.1, however, using the following GET parameters instead of the default ones:

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
vers	<p>This is either -2, -1, 0 or a positive integer. 0 indicates that the configuration must be updated (e.g. the configuration is damaged, non-existent or an update is needed following a SIM change).</p> <p>A positive value indicates the version of the static parameters (those which are not user dependent) so the server can evaluate whether an update is required.</p> <p>-1 indicates that the device/client is providing the default behaviour for the services that would be configured and has disabled the autoconfiguration query performed at boot. This may be used by the client/device to inform the SP that the functionality was permanently disabled from the device.</p> <p>-2 Indicates that for the services to be configured the default behaviour needs to be provided (including the disabling of the configuration query at boot), but a configuration query might be triggered on user action.</p>	Y	Int (-2, -1, 0 or a positive integer)
msisdn	MSISDN, in E.164 format, of the primary SIM which is used to derive the identity.	N, Mandatory if sip_uri not provided	E.164 (+44790000001) in international format NOTE: In case that msisdn comes with a plus sign, the client shall provide the msisdn value with the plus sign encoded as per [RFC3986] section 2.1.
sip_uri	SIP URI of the primary device	N, Mandatory if msisdn is not provided	String (50 max), Case-insensitive
provisioning_version	String that identifies the version of the service provider device configuration supported by the client. It shall be set to "2.0" (without the quotes) for clients following this specification.	Y	String (4 max), Case-Sensitive

token	If the client has not stored a token (e.g. it is the first time the device requests configuration), the parameter shall contain an empty string. Otherwise it shall contain the token value obtained in the last configuration response.	Y	String (24 max), Case-Sensitive
device_type	This indicates the type of device where the client is running.	Y	Possible values: - Tablet - PC - Other
friendly_device_name	If provided by the user, a user friendly identification for the device may be passed along that can be used by the network when presenting the user with an overview of their devices.  NOTE: this parameter needs to be included only if required for one of the services to be configured. In which case its mandatory character will be documented in the relevant service specific documents.	N, only to be provided if provided by the user	String (30 max before escaping), Case-Sensitive

**Table 12: HTTP configuration for additional devices: Initial HTTPS request GET parameters**

Please note that the initial HTTP request is not required in this case since the header enrichment requirement is not applicable. Therefore, the device implementation/client will directly perform the HTTPS request as presented in Figure 11.

4. As this is a first time request, the token value is empty; the request is then identified as a first time configuration. In this case, and provided the network allows for configuring additional devices using this mechanism, the HTTP server responds with a HTTP 200 OK response carrying a new cookie (Set-Cookie header) to be used in the subsequent HTTP requests.
  - a) Following the request, an SMS message shall be sent to the primary device, i.e. the phone carrying the SIM associated to the MSISDN the user introduced in step 2. This SMS message will contain an OTP. This message shall be a standard SMS (i.e. no UDH procedures required).

NOTE: When used on IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) networks with IMS devices, other ways may be provided to contact the primary device. Those are covered in [PRD-RCC.15]

- b) In parallel, the device performing the HTTP configuration prompts for the OTP. Therefore, the user should manually introduce the code delivered via SMS to the primary device.

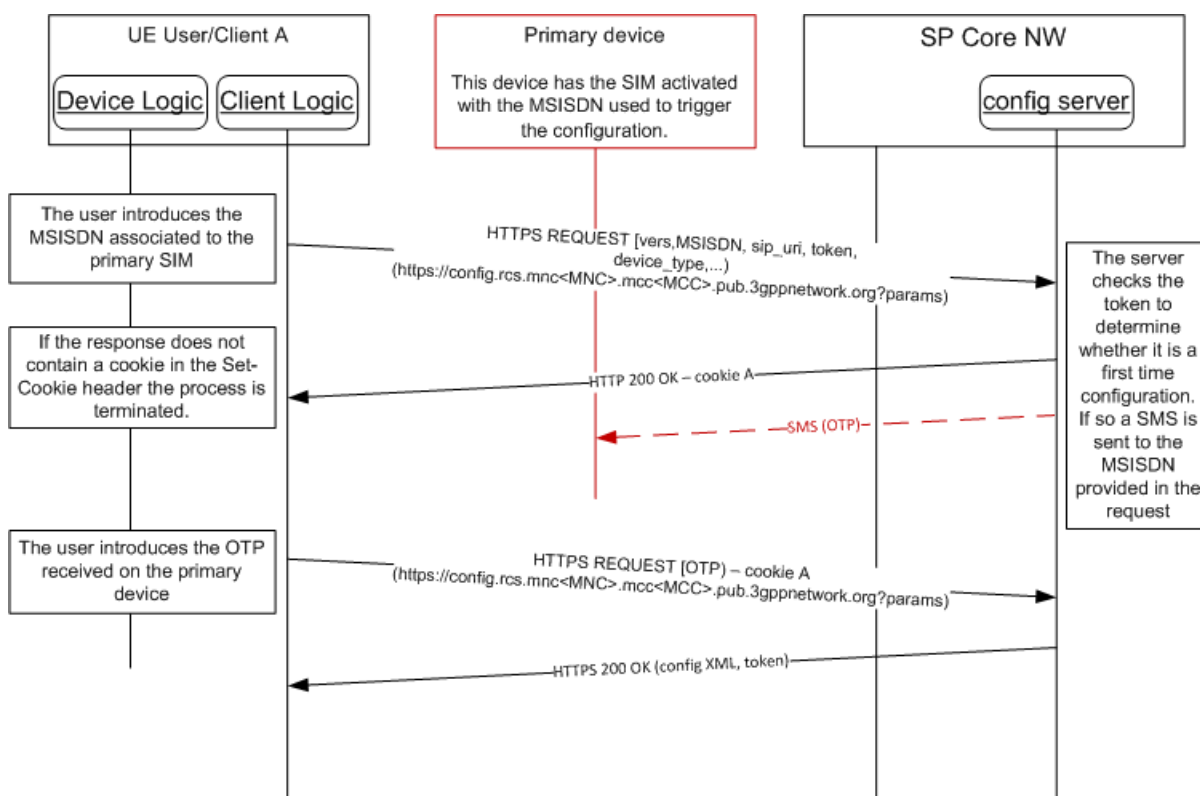
- c) Once the user enters the OTP, the device performing the HTTP configuration makes a second HTTPS request using the following parameters in the GET request:

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
OTP	This is the password received on the device carrying the SIM associated with the MSISDN introduced in step 2	Y	String (8 Max), Case-Sensitive

**Table 13: HTTP configuration for additional devices: Second and final HTTPS request GET parameters**

Please note this second HTTPS request shall carry the cookie obtained in step 4 (cookie header) therefore the HTTP configuration server can correlate the initial and final HTTPS requests.

- d) From this point onwards the procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3, however, with the token added as a parameter. If the request is successful, one of the possible 200 OK responses described in section 2.2.2 is provided.



**Figure 11: HTTP configuration for additional devices: First time configuration**

Please note the token shall be stored with the MSISDN so it is not necessary to repeat this procedure for future requests. These values shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.

## 2.5.2 Error handling

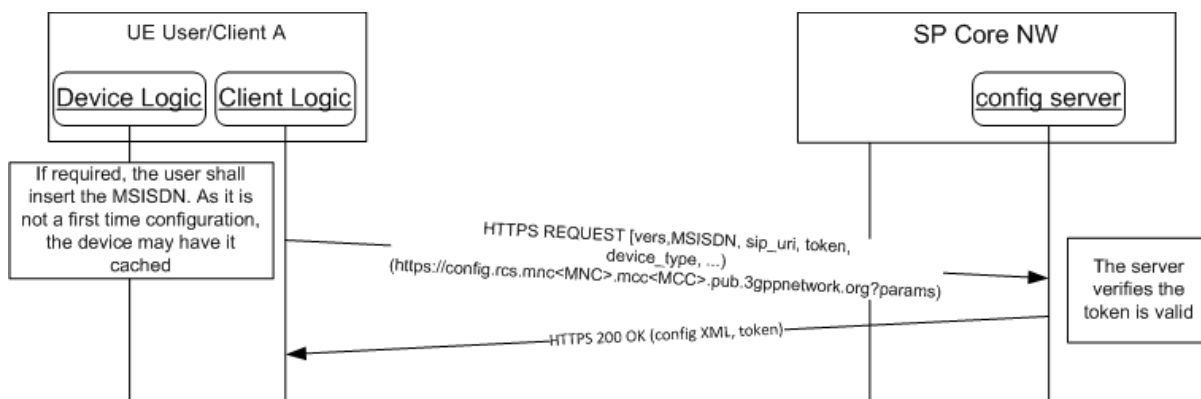
In the process of performing a first time configuration for additional devices, there are three possible error conditions that the client has to be aware of and handle:

1. The MSISDN used is not valid or it is not authorized (including the case the primary MSISDN is not been provisioned yet to use the services being configured) to get the configuration/make use of the services. In this case, the initial request will be answered with an HTTP 403 FORBIDDEN error and the client shall inform the user of the issue and may offer to retry with a different MSISDN.
2. The OTP password introduced by the user is not valid. In this case, the HTTP configuration server replies again with a HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error. It is up to the client implementation to offer the user to retry. If retrying, the client shall start the first time configuration process from the beginning.
3. The HTTP server suffers an internal error (HTTP 5XX [except 511], response coming from the server). In this case, the user shall be informed of the circumstance and offered to retry. If retrying, the client shall start the first time configuration process from the beginning.

## 2.5.3 Subsequent configuration attempts and life cycle

If the client has access to the token and the MSISDN used for the first time configuration, has a value, the initial request is performed

1. An initial request like in the case of the first time configuration of additional devices is made, this time including the token parameter set to the value received on the previous successful configuration attempt
2. If successful, from this point onwards the procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3, however, with the token added as a parameter. If the request is successful, one of the possible 200 OK responses described in section 2.2.2 is provided.



**Figure 12: HTTP configuration for additional devices: Subsequent attempts**

If the token and/or the MSISDN are not available (for example the device is reset), then the client shall start a first time configuration as described in section 2.5.1.

Please note the received token shall be stored with the MSISDN so it is not necessary to repeat this procedure for future requests. These values shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.

#### **2.5.4 Error handling**

In the process of performing a subsequent configuration for additional devices, there are three possible error conditions that the client has to be aware of and to handle:

1. The MSISDN used is not valid or it is not authorized to get the configuration/make use of the services to be configured. In this case, the initial request will be answered with an HTTP 403 FORBIDDEN error and the client shall inform the user of the issue and may offer to retry with a different MSISDN.
2. The token is no longer valid. In this case, the HTTP configuration server replies again with a HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error. From this moment, the process is equivalent to the first time configuration process after the same error is received.
3. The HTTP server suffers an internal error (HTTP 5XX response coming from the server). In this case, the user shall be informed of the circumstance and offered to retry. If retrying, the client shall start the subsequent configuration attempt procedure from the beginning.

#### **2.5.5 Use cases review**

From the use cases presented in section 2.2.4, only the following scenarios apply to the configuration of additional devices sharing the same identity:

1. First detection
2. Version checking
3. Validation process is not OK
4. User asks Customer Care to disable a service

#### **2.5.6 Security considerations**

The same security considerations described in section 2.2.5 for the standard HTTP(S) configuration mechanism also apply in this case.

### **2.6 Configuration of non-Cellular devices with a dedicated identity**

To configure clients on devices that do not carry a SIM, but have to function with a dedicated own identity the following generic solution is provided:

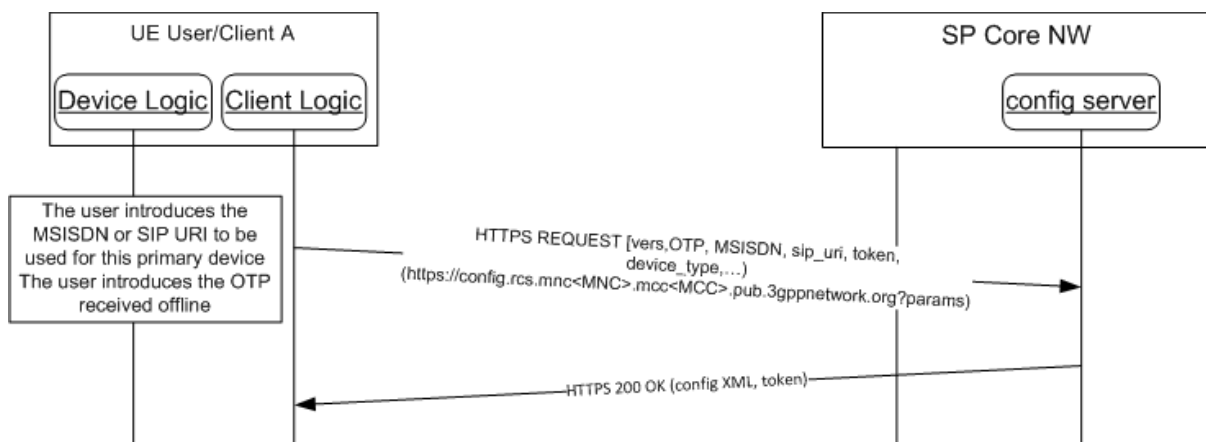
1. The user obtains an OTP through means that are out of the scope of this specification (e.g. from an operator website after authentication, delivered together with the device, obtained through an operator's retail outlet, etc.)
2. The user is prompted for the E.164 address or SIP URI to be used by the device and their Service Provider. The account created is always associated with this primary identity that the user has to input into the application.
3. The device performs the HTTPS configuration as presented in section 2.2.1, however, using the following GET parameters instead of the default ones:

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
vers	<p>This is either -2, -1, 0 or a positive integer. 0 indicates that the configuration must be updated (e.g. the configuration is damaged, non-existent or an update is needed following a SIM change).</p> <p>A positive value indicates the version of the static parameters (those which are not user dependent) so the server can evaluate whether an update is required.</p> <p>-1 indicates that the device/client is providing the default behaviour for the services that would be configured and has disabled the autoconfiguration query performed at boot. This may be used by the client/device to inform the SP that the functionality was permanently disabled from the device.</p> <p>-2 Indicates that for the services to be configured the default behaviour needs to be provided (including the disabling of the configuration query at boot), but a configuration query might be triggered on user action.</p>	Y	Int (-2, -1, 0 or a positive integer)
msisdn	E.164 format of the provided identity	N, Mandatory if sip_uri is not provided	E.164 (+44790000001) in international format NOTE: In case that msisdn comes with a plus sign, the client shall provide the msisdn value with the plus sign encoded as per [RFC3986] section 2.1.
sip_uri	SIP URI of the device	N, Mandatory if msisdn is not provided	String (50 max), Case-insensitive
provisioning_version	String that identifies the version of the service provider device configuration supported by the client. It shall be set to "2.0" (without the quotes) for clients following this specification.	Y	String (4 max), Case-Sensitive

Parameter	Description	Mandatory	Format
token	If the client has not stored a token (e.g. it is the first time the device requests configuration), the parameter shall contain an empty string. Otherwise it shall contain the token value obtained in the last configuration response.	Y	String (24 max), Case-Sensitive
device_type	This indicates the type of device where the client is running.	Y	Possible values: - Tablet - PC - Other
OTP	This is the password provided to the user in step 1. Set to an empty string in case a non-empty token is provided	Y	String (8 Max), Case-Sensitive
friendly_device_name	If provided by the user, a user friendly identification for the device may be passed along that can be used by the network when presenting the user with an overview of their devices.  NOTE: this parameter needs to be included only if required for one of the services to be configured. In which case its mandatory character will be documented in the relevant service specific documents.	N, only to be provided if provided by the user	String (30 max before escaping), Case-Sensitive

**Table 14: HTTP configuration for non-cellular devices: Initial HTTPS request GET parameters**

Please note that the initial HTTP request is not required in this case since the header enrichment requirement is not applicable. Therefore, the device implementation/client will directly perform the HTTPS request as presented in Figure 13.



**Figure 13: HTTP configuration for non-cellular devices with a dedicated identity: initial request**



4. As this is a first time request, the token value is empty; the request is then identified as a first time configuration. In this case, and provided the network allows for configuring devices using this mechanism, the HTTP server responds with a HTTP 200 OK response carrying a new cookie (Set-Cookie header) to be used in the subsequent HTTP requests

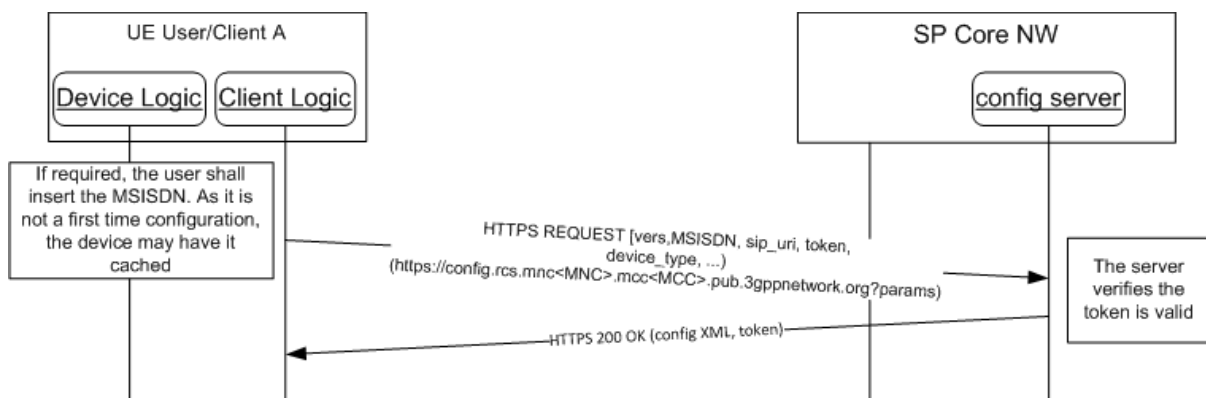
From this point onwards the procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3, however, with the token added as a parameter. If the request is successful, one of the possible 200 OK responses described in section 2.2.2 is provided.

Please note the token shall be stored with the identity so it is not necessary to repeat this procedure for future requests. These values shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.

### 2.6.1 Subsequent configuration attempts and life cycle

If the client has access to the token and the identity used for the first time configuration, has a value, the initial request is performed

1. An initial request like in the case of the first time configuration of the primary device is made, this time including the token parameter set to the value received on the previous successful configuration attempt
2. If successful, from this point onwards the procedure is identical to the one described in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3, however, with the token added as a parameter. If the request is successful, one of the possible 200 OK responses described in section 2.2.2 is provided.



**Figure 14: HTTP configuration for non cellular devices: Subsequent attempts**

If the token and/or the MSISDN are not available (for example the device is reset), then the client shall start a first time configuration as described in section 2.5.1.

Please note the received token shall be stored with the MSISDN so it is not necessary to repeat this procedure for future requests. These values shall be removed together with the rest of the configuration when the device or client is reset.

### 2.6.2 Error handling

In the process of performing a subsequent configuration for additional devices, there are three possible error conditions that the client has to be aware of and to handle:

1. The MSISDN used is not valid or it is not authorized to get the configuration/make use of the services to be configured. In this case, the initial request will be answered with an HTTP 403 FORBIDDEN error and the client shall inform the user of the issue and may offer to retry with a different MSISDN.
2. The token is no longer valid. In this case, the HTTP configuration server replies again with a HTTP 511 NETWORK AUTHENTICATION REQUIRED error. From this moment, the process is equivalent to the first time configuration process after the same error is received.
3. The HTTP server suffers an internal error (HTTP 5XX response coming from the server). In this case, the user shall be informed of the circumstance and offered to retry. If retrying, the client shall start the subsequent configuration attempt procedure from the beginning.

### 3 Network requested configuration request

There are use cases where the configuration server needs to enforce a first time configuration or a client reconfiguration at any given time.

The present section presents the enhancements that need to be implemented both on the network side and on the client to support a network requested reconfiguration.

**NOTE:** The described mechanism only covers reconfiguration requests related to primary devices. In addition this option is only available to platforms and clients that support the application port addressing via UDH header handling as per [3GPP TS 23.040].

The configuration server will trigger the client for configuration via a network originated SMS.

A client shall be able to receive a request for configuration and process it accordingly in the following configuration states:

- prior to a first configuration
- if a configuration exists for a number of active services.
- if a previous client configuration reverted all services to their default behaviour.

The SMS to trigger the client reconfiguration shall be formatted as follows:

- DataCodingScheme = 08 (UCS2)
- UserDataHeader = 06 05 04 4074 0000
  - a) UDHL length fields=06 05 04,
  - b) Destination port: 0x9199 (37273 in decimal)
  - c) Source Port: 0x0000 (0 in decimal)
- User Data

If for the device on no IMS-based service is enabled, the text in the SMS User Data shall be the IMSI associated to the SIM, a "-" character as delimiter and the word "rcscfg"<sup>3</sup>, encoded using UCS2.

For example: If the IMSI is

214011001388741,

The value of the text in the SMS User Data shall be

214011001388741-rcscfg<sup>3</sup>

Otherwise the SMS User Data shall be the IMS Private User Identity, a "-" character as delimiter and the word "rcscfg"<sup>3</sup>, encoded using UCS2.

For example: If the private identity is

214011001388741@ims.mnc001.mcc214.3gppnetwork.org,

the value in the text shall be

214011001388741@ims.mnc001.mcc214.3gppnetwork.org-rcscfg

When the device receives a SMS for client configuration and

- it contains an IMSI value and the value received in the request matches the IMSI of the SIM, or
- it contains an IMS Private User Identity and the value matches the value of the Private\_User\_Identity parameter defined in [PRD-RCC.15] of the existing configuration,

the client shall perform a HTTP configuration as per defined in section 2.2, 2.3 or 2.4 depending on client capabilities and current connectivity.

## 4 Configuration document formatting

### 4.1 Configuration XML Document

The configuration data and configuration control data will be represented in a configuration XML document conforming to the provisioning document type definitions of [OMA CP Cont].

The configuration XML document is conveyed to the client in the body part of a HTTP 200 OK response in accordance with the definitions in section 2. The content-type parameter contained in the HTTP 200 response shall indicate "*text/xml*".

The use of the Service Provider Device Configuration for the configuration of a service requires the definition of the service specific characteristics and parameters for representation in the provisioning document structure. This may be done through the definition of a mapping from Management Objects of existing services to the provisioning document structure or by separate definition of service configuration representations for Management Objects of new services.

NOTE: An example is provided in [PRD-RCC.15] providing a generic configuration for IMS based services.

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<sup>3</sup> Includes rcs for historic reasons

## 4.2 Characteristics of the Service Provider Client Configuration

In addition to the parameters and characteristic types provided by the mapping or definition of Management Objects as presented in the previous section, the following characteristic types for the client configuration control have been defined in this specification:

- Characteristic of type VERS

The parameters of the VERS characteristic provide the version control of configuration XML documents or can be used to reset clients to default behaviour. Usage of the parameters for VERS characteristics is defined in section 2.2.2

The VERS characteristic shall be present in configuration documents controlling the client configuration as defined in section 2.2.2. The VERS characteristic shall be absent in configuration documents indicating a policy during the client provisioning procedure as defined in section 2.3.3.

- Characteristic of type TOKEN

The parameters of the TOKEN characteristic provide the client with user identification data to be used, if available, when requesting configuration data via non-3GPP access networks. Usage of the parameters for TOKEN characteristics is defined in section 2.2.2 and 2.5.1.

The TOKEN characteristic is optional in configuration XML documents conveyed via the mechanism defined in this specification. The TOKEN characteristic shall be absent in configuration documents indicating a policy during the client provisioning procedure as defined in section 2.3.3.

- Characteristic of type MSG

The parameters of the MSG characteristic provide the configuration server with the capability to convey a message to the device user. Usage of the parameters for MSG characteristics is defined in section 2.2.3.

The MSG characteristic is optional in configuration XML documents conveyed via the mechanism defined in this specification. The MSG characteristic shall be absent in configuration documents indicating a policy during the client provisioning procedure as defined in section 2.3.3.

- Characteristic of type POLICY

The parameters of the POLICY characteristic provide the client with policies to be considered during the configuration procedure. Usage of parameters for POLICY characteristics is defined in section 2.3.3.

The POLICY characteristic is optional in configuration XML documents conveyed via the mechanism defined in this specification. The POLICY characteristic shall be absent in configuration XML document controlling the client configuration as defined in section 2.2.2.

The following provides the definition of the data model of characteristics and parameters of the Service Provider Client Configuration using the notation of [OMA CP Cont].

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characteristic : VERS ?
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{
  parm: version
  parm: validity
}

characteristic : TOKEN ?
{
  parm: token
  parm: validity
}

characteristic : MSG ?
{
  parm: title
  parm: message
  parm: Accept_btn
  parm: Reject_btn ?
}

characteristic : POLICY ?
{
  parm: SMS_port
}
```

#### 4.2.1 Configuration storage on the client

The service configuration and relevant configuration control data as derived from the characteristics defined in section 4.2 should be stored securely on the device and should not be accessible to the user.

If any of the required parameters for a service are not configured or configured with an unexpected value, that service functionality should revert to default behaviour and not be presented as such to the user. This default behaviour needs to be defined for the individual services and might for example be to disable the service and its entry points. In this state, the full service functionality can only be restored by completing the first-time configuration procedure (see section 2).

Clients functioning as secondary clients sharing the SIM identity used in a user's main device (see section 2.5) may offer multiple users the possibility to access the services (e.g. by requiring selecting which user to serve when started). In that case the client shall store a user's configuration and service data (e.g. Chat histories and call logs) in local storage when switching to another account. All private data shall not be accessible to other users. No new configuration requests shall be performed for the stored accounts even when the validity of their configuration expires. A new configuration request shall only be done when a stored configuration is restored because a user has selected to use the account again. If no valid token is available anymore, this may result in a complete first time configuration procedure. When the first time configuration request is successful the stored service data for that user will be made available again.

## Annex A Document Management

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