

GALILEO SAR SERVICE

RETURN LINK SERVICE STATUS AND ROADMAP

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Acknowledgment Type 1

- The Galileo System is the only responsible for the transmission of the RLM to the beacon once the alert has been detected and located

Acknowledgment Type 2

- The Galileo System will send the RLM to the emitting beacon once it has received the instruction from the RCC

In March 2012, the European Commission participated to the COMSAR 16 and presented a paper on the Return Link Service

– **Outcome of COMSAR 16:**

6.22 The Sub-Committee endorsed:

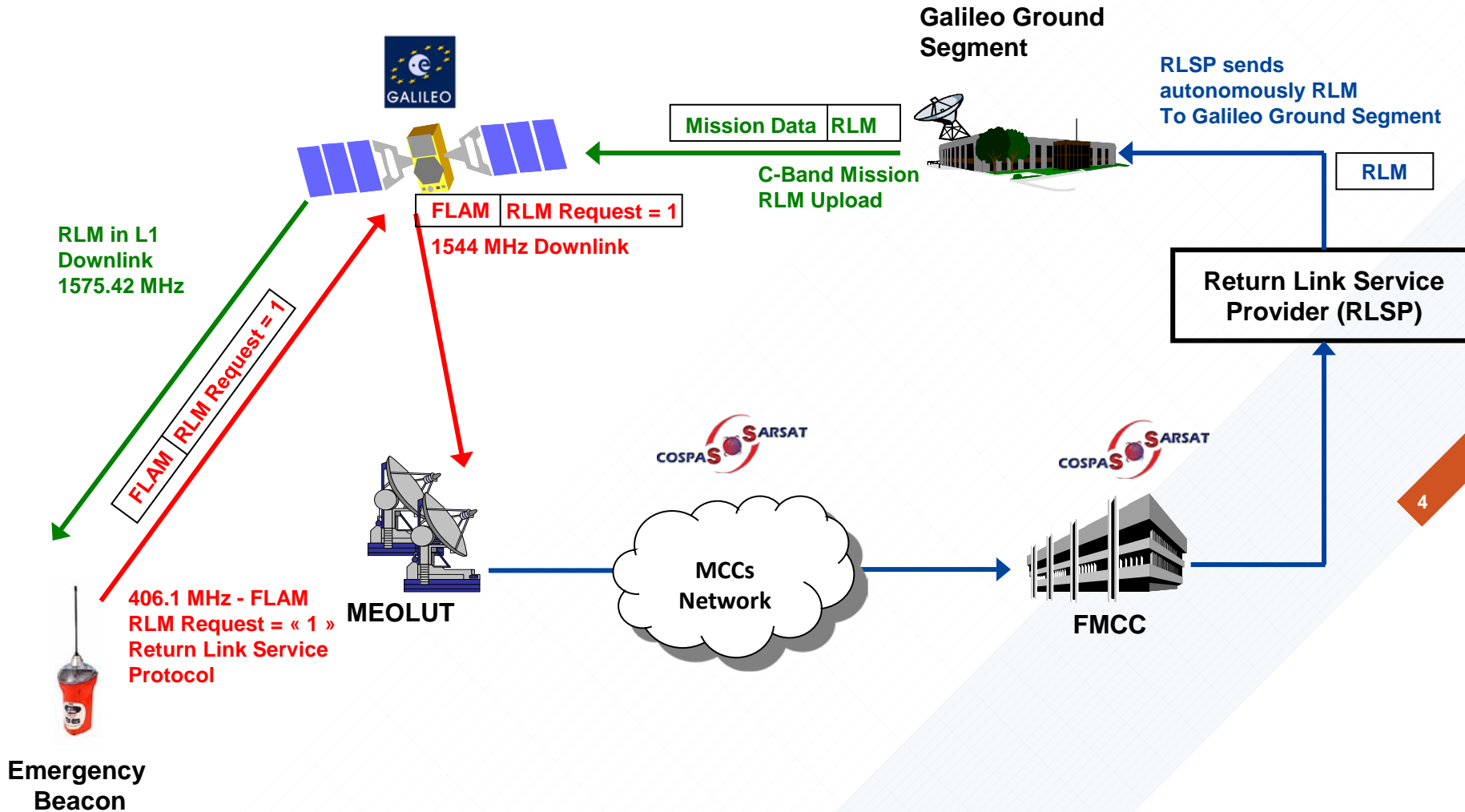
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.4 the acceptability of the Return Link Message (RLM) Type-1 including the optional inclusion of this particular functionality within distress beacons; and

.5 the further consideration of the complex matter of RLM Type-2 messages by the ICAO/IMO Joint Working Group.

The EC retains the possibility to offer the RLS Type-2 service to interested RCCs and offer it as an additional service

SAR GALILEO RETURN LINK SERVICE



SAR GALILEO RETURN LINK SERVICE PRE-OPERATIONAL FACILITY



- ★ **Pre-Operational Facility deployed in FMCC:**
 - ★ **Cospas-Sarsat Test Campaign (test O-5) scheduled end of 2017**
 - ★ **Between October 2017 and December 2017**
 - ★ **Participation of several MCC with test beacons: SPMCC, BRMCC, NMCC, USMCC, FMCC, ITMCC**
 - ★ **Participation of a number of beacon manufacturers planning to tests the RLM capability in their new beacons: Mobit, Orolia**

- ★ **Reference Standards:**
 - ★ **T.001 / T.007: Return Link Service Protocol and GNSS Receiver operations for RLS (published)**
 - ★ **but without the RLM acknowledgment mechanism on the pre-operational RLSP: transmission of RLM continues until timeout**
 - ★ **Galileo Signal in Space ICD: Definition of RLM Message (published)**

★ Objective of test O-5:

- ★ Evaluate the global performances of the SAR/Galileo Return Link Service
 - ★ in terms of latency, interface and acknowledgment detection probability
 - ★ in respect of the COSPAS/SARSAT specifications

★ CNES, as SAR/GALILEO Data Service Provider (SGDSP), is in charge of the coordination of the test O-5

★ 3 mains criterions targeted:

- ★ RL-1: Validation of the different interfaces between the entities involved in the RLS,
- ★ RL-2: Measurement of the RLM time transfert for assessing the system latency (from MCC* to the RLS beacon),
- ★ RL-3: Determine the RLM detection probability within 15 minutes from the RLM transmission by the RLSP to the GMS.

D&E Test O-5: KEY Actors and METHODOLOGY



★ Current list of participants :

- ★ MCCs: FMCC, NMCC, SPMCC, ITMCC, USMCC and BRMCC.
 - ★ LGM or D&E compliant with the C/S A.001 document of Dec. 2016
- ★ RLS Beacons operators: one RLS Enabled Beacon (REB) at each MCCs location and one at ESA (The Netherlands)
- ★ 2 additional RLS Prototypes: Mobit (Israel) and McMurdo (France)

★ Methodology :

- ★ RLS Test Beacons deployed (one per MCCs and one at ESTEC) according to several scenarios (cf. next slide).
- ★ Each RLS Test Beacons will follow a script in order to transmit 20 beacons IDs with a 50s rate and 10s interleaved.
- ★ Each participant will collect data at RLS and MCC level to support the evaluation of the RLM request distribution procedures, then SGDSP will consolidate results.

★ The test will follow 4 strategic scenarios:

- ★ #1 FMCC = MCC*: beacon activation in FMCC and ESTEC.
- ★ #2 One MCC of the Central DDR** = MCC*: beacon activation in NMCC, ITMCC and Tel-Aviv (ISR: Mobit).
- ★ #3 One MCC of another DDR = MCC*: beacon activation in SPMCC, USMCC.
- ★ #4 Finally, one MCC of another DDR but not directly connected to the FMCC = MCC*: beacon activation in BRMCC.

MCC: MCC responsible of the area where the alert is located*

*DDR**: Data Distribution Region (Service Area)*

★ **Operational Facility in Development:**

- ★ **Deployment by end of 2017**
- ★ **Qualification by May 2018**
- ★ **Entry into service in end of 2018**

★ **Possibility for the beacon manufacturers to test their RLS Beacon from mid-2018**

- ★ **Implements the full loop of the RLS (including the acknowledgment of the RLM reception at the beacon)**
- ★ **Use of RLS Test Protocol**
- ★ **Operational RLSP will allow parallel testing of beacons and RLS operations**

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- ★ **Galileo Signal in Space ICD: Definition of RLM Message (published)**
- ★ **Amendment to NMEA0183 adding a new NMEA0183/ IEC61162-1 sentence for RLM (published)**

SAR GALILEO RETURN LINK SERVICE – EVOLUTION PREPARATION



- ★ **Introduction of new RLS Services (Type-2, remote activation...)**
 - ★ **The operational RLSP deployed in 2018 will already have the capability to implement these services**
 - ★ **Will be tested with SAR community before actual service operations**

- ★ **Preparation of specifications for RLS in Second Generation Beacons (T.018)**

- ★ **Interoperability with future RLS providers (e.g. GLONASS) is being coordinated between EC and Russia**

SAR GALILEO SERVICE DECLARATION MILESTONES



- ★ **End 2018: SAR/GALILEO ENHANCED SERVICES MILESTONE**
 - ★ Increased performances and coverage with additional SAR Transponders
 - ★ Upgraded ground segment to meet Cospas-Sarsat IOC Standard (including ELT-DT processing)
 - ★ Start of the Return Link Service

- ★ **End 2020: SAR/GALILEO FULL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY MILESTONE**
 - ★ Fully deployed Galileo constellation with SAR transponders
 - ★ SAR/Galileo Ground Segment extension in South Indian Ocean area
 - ★ SAR/Galileo MEOLUTs upgrade to meet Cospas-Sarsat FOC standard, including Second Generation of Beacons
 - ★ New Return Link Service capabilities (e.g. RCC activation)



THANK YOU

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