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**Part 8:
Commands and mechanisms for
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Introduction

ISO/IEC 7816 is a series of standards specifying integrated circuit cards and the use of such cards for interchange. These cards are identification cards intended for information exchange negotiated between the outside world and the integrated circuit in the card. As a result of an information exchange, the card delivers information (computation result, stored data), and/or modifies its content (data storage, event memorization).

- Five parts are specific to cards with galvanic contacts and three of them specify electrical interfaces:
 - ISO/IEC 7816-1 specifies physical characteristics for cards with contacts;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-2 specifies dimensions and location of the contacts;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-3 specifies electrical interface and transmission protocols for asynchronous cards;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-10 specifies electrical interface and answer to reset for synchronous cards;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-12 specifies electrical interface and operating procedures for USB cards.
- All the other parts are independent from the physical interface technology. They apply to cards accessed by contacts and/or by radio frequency:
 - ISO/IEC 7816-4 specifies organization, security and commands for interchange;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-5 specifies registration of application providers;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-6 specifies interindustry data elements for interchange;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-7 specifies commands for structured card query language;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-8 specifies commands for security operations;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-9 specifies commands for card management;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-11 specifies personal verification through biometric methods;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-13 specifies commands for handling the life cycle of applications;
 - ISO/IEC 7816-15 specifies cryptographic information application.

ISO/IEC 10536 (all parts) specifies access by close coupling. ISO/IEC 14443 (all parts) and ISO/IEC 15693 (all parts) specify access by radio frequency. Such cards are also known as contactless cards.

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Part 8:

Commands and mechanisms for security operations

1 Scope

This document specifies interindustry commands that may be used for security operations. This document also provides informative directives on how to construct security mechanisms with ISO/IEC 7816-4 defined commands.

The choice and conditions of use of cryptographic mechanism in security operations may affect card exportability. The evaluation of the suitability of algorithms and protocols is outside the scope of this document. It does not cover the internal implementation within the card and/or the outside world.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, *Identification cards — Integrated circuit cards — Part 4: Organization, security and commands for interchange*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1

asymmetric key pair

pair of elements belonging to cryptographic techniques that use two related operations: a public operation defined by public numbers or by a public key and a private operation defined by private numbers or by a private key

Note 1 to entry: The two operations have the property that, given the public operation, it is computationally infeasible to derive the private operation.

3.2

certificate

digital signature (3.3) binding a particular person or object and its associated public key

Note 1 to entry: The entity issuing the certificate also acts as tag allocation authority with respect to the data elements in the certificate.

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 7816-4:2012, 3.11, modified]

3.3

digital signature

data appended to, or cryptographic transformation of, a data string that proves the origin and the integrity of the data string and protect against forgery, e.g. by the recipient of the data string

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 7816-4:2012, 3.21]

3.4

key

sequence of symbols controlling a cryptographic operation (e.g. encipherment, decipherment, a private or a public operation in a dynamic authentication, signature production, signature verification)

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 7816-4:2012, 3.32]

3.5

non-self-descriptive certificate

certificate (3.2) consisting of a concatenation of data elements associated to a header list or extended header list, describing the structure of the certificate

3.6

self-descriptive certificate

certificate (3.2) consisting of a concatenation of data objects

3.7

secure messaging

set of means for cryptographic protection of (parts of) command-response pairs

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 7816-4:2012, 3.50]

4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| BER | basic encoding rules of ASN.1 (see ISO/IEC 8825-1) |
| CCT | control reference template for cryptographic checksum |
| CRT | control reference template |
| CT | control reference template for confidentiality |
| DSA | digital signature algorithm |
| DST | control reference template for digital signature |
| ECDSA | elliptic curve digital signature algorithm |
| HT | control reference template for hash-code |
| MSE | MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT command |
| PSO | PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command |
| PSO HASH | PSO command with hash operation |
| PSO CHECKSUM | PSO command with compute cryptographic checksum operation |
| PSO SIGN | PSO command with compute digital signature operation |
| PSO VERIFY CHECKSUM | PSO command with verify cryptographic checksum operation |
| PSO VERIFY SIGN | PSO command with verify digital signature |

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| PSO VERIFY CERTIFICATE | PSO command with verify certificate |
| PSO ENCIPHER | PSO command with encipher operation |
| PSO DECIPHER | PSO command with decipher operation |
| GQ2 | modified Guillou-Quisquater protocol for zero knowledge proof |
| RFU | reserved for future use for ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 17 |
| RSA | Rivest, Shamir, Adleman |
| SE | security environment |
| SEID | security environment identifier |
| TLV | tag, length, value |

5 Interindustry commands for security operations

5.1 General

An ICC compliant with this document may support any of the commands and/or options provided in the following clauses and subclauses.

NOTE In addition to the use of logical channels, there are other alternatives that may be used for switching the security context. [Annex D](#) provides information about this functionality.

5.2 GENERATE ASYMMETRIC KEY PAIR command

The GENERATE ASYMMETRIC KEY PAIR command initiates either

- the generation and storing of an asymmetric key pair, i.e. a public key and a private key, in the card,
- the generation, storing of an asymmetric key pair and extracting generated public key, or
- the extracting previously generated public key.

The command may be preceded by a MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT command in order to set key generation related parameters (e.g. algorithm reference). The command may be performed in one or several steps, possibly using command chaining (see ISO/IEC 7816-4).

Table 1 — GENERATE ASYMMETRIC KEY PAIR command-response pair

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| CLA | As defined in ISO/IEC 7816-4 |
| INS | '46' or '47' |
| P1 | See Table 2 |
| P2 | '00' (no information provided) or reference of the private key to be generated coded according to ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 94 |
| L _c field | Absent for encoding N _c = 0, present for encoding N _c > 0 |
| Data field | Absent, or Proprietary data if P1-P2 set to '0000', or One or more CRTs associated to the key generation if P1-P2 different from '0000' (see notes) A CRT may include an extended header list |
| L _e field | Absent for encoding N _e = 0, present for encoding N _e > 0 |
| Data field | Absent, or Public key as a sequence of data elements (INS='46'), or Public key as a sequence of data objects (INS='47'), or Public key as a sequence of data objects according to an extended header list (INS='47') |
| SW1-SW2 | See ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Tables 5 and 6 where relevant, e.g. 6 985 |

NOTE 1 Several CRTs are present when the key pair is generated for several uses. In a data field, a CRT may have a zero length.

Table 2 — P1 coding

| b8 | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | Value |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No information given |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | x | x | x | Additional information given |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | x | Key generation |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 0 | - Generate asymmetric key pair |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | - Access to an existing public key |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | x | — | Format of returned public key data |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 0 | — | - Proprietary format |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | - Output format according to extended header list |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | x | — | — | Output indicator |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | 0 | — | — | - Public key data in response data field |
| 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | - No response data if L _e field absent or proprietary if L _e field present |
| — | x | x | x | x | — | — | — | 0000, other values are RFU |

NOTE 2 The private key may be stored in an internal EF the reference of which is known before issuing the command or in a DO'7F48' as cardholder private key template.

NOTE 3 The public part may be stored for example in a DO'7F49' as cardholder public key template.

For extracting a previously generated public key (i.e. no generation), the command data field shall be empty or shall contain a CRT, possibly including an extended header list.

NOTE 4 In those cases when only access to a previously generated public key is requested, P2 is either '00' or references the private key.

The response data field shall be

- either absent,
- a public key as a sequence of data elements (INS='46'),

- a public key as a sequence of data objects (INS='47') from [Table 3](#), or
- a public key as a DO'7F49' (INS='47') nesting data objects from [Table 3](#).

If the command data field does not indicate any format of public key data, it shall be implicitly known before issuing the command (e.g. as part of the security environment). When command data field indicates an extended header list within a CRT, it covers public key data objects and other requested data object.

EXAMPLE [Annex E](#) provides a set of examples on the use of this command.

If the algorithm is not indicated in the command, then the algorithm is known before issuing the command. In the public key template, the context-specific class (first byte from '80' to 'BF') is reserved for public key data objects.

Table 3 — Public key data objects

| Tag | Value |
|---|--|
| '7F49' | Interindustry template for nesting one set of public key data objects with the following tags |
| '06' | Object identifier of any further information, optional |
| '80' | Algorithm reference as used in control reference data objects for secure messaging, optional |
| | Set of public key data objects for RSA |
| '81' | Modulus (a number denoted as n coded on x bytes) |
| '82' | Public exponent (a number denoted as v, e.g. 65 537) |
| | Set of public key data objects for DSA |
| '81' | First prime (a number denoted as p coded on y bytes) |
| '82' | Second prime (a number denoted as q dividing p-1, e.g. 20 bytes) |
| '83' | Basis (a number denoted as g of order q coded on y bytes) |
| '84' | Public key (a number denoted as y equal to g to the power x mod p where x is the private key coded on y bytes) |
| | Set of public key data objects for ECC |
| '81' | Prime (a number denoted as p coded on z bytes) |
| '82' | First coefficient (a number denoted as a coded on z bytes) |
| '83' | Second coefficient (a number denoted as b coded on z bytes) |
| '84' | Generator (a point denoted as PB on the curve, coded on 2z + 1 or 2z or z + 1 bytes) |
| '85' | Order (a prime number denoted as q, order of the generator PB, coded on z bytes) |
| '86' | Public key (a point denoted as PP on the curve, equal to x times PB where x is the private key, coded on 2z + 1 or 2z or z + 1 bytes) |
| '87' | Co-factor |
| | Set of public key data objects for GQ2 |
| '81' | Modulus (a number denoted as n coded on x bytes) |
| '83' | Number of basic numbers (a number denoted as m coded on 1 byte. If tag '83' is present, then tag 'A3' shall be absent and the m basic numbers denoted as g, g ₂ ..g _m are the first m prime numbers 2, 3, 5, 7, 11...) |
| '84' | Verification parameter (a number denoted as k coded on 1 byte) |
| <p>NOTE In this context, ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 17 reserves any other data object of the context-specific class (first byte in the range '80' to 'BF').</p> <p>^a The RSA Okamoto-Schnorr signature scheme, is considered a blind signature process, which is an interactive procedure between a signer and a recipient. It allows a recipient to obtain a signature of a message of the recipient's choice without giving the signer any information about the actual message or the resulting signature. [Z][8][9][10] DO'73' may be used in the data field for returning multi-part digital signature response comprised of concatenation of context-specific data objects defined by the application.</p> | |

Table 3 (continued)

| Tag | Value |
|------|---|
| 'A3' | Set of m basic numbers denoted as g, g_2, \dots, g_m , each one coded on 1 byte with tag '80'. (If tag 'A3' is present, then tag '83' shall be absent). Set of public key data objects for RSA Okamoto-Schnorr signature scheme^a |
| '81' | p the first large prime number |
| '82' | q the second large prime number such that $q (p - 1)$, with q a divisor of $(p - 1)$ |
| '83' | Z_p^* the set of integers U modulo p such as $0 < U < p$ and $\gcd(U, p) = 1$, $\gcd()$ being the greatest common divisor |
| '84' | Z_q^* the set of integers U' modulo q such as $0 < U' < q$ and $\gcd(U', q) = 1$ |
| '85' | g the first element of Z_p^* of order q such as g is a generator of Gq and Gq a cyclic group of prime order q |
| '86' | h the second element of Z_p^* of order q different from g |
| '87' | y the public key, an integer denoted as $y = g^{-r} h^{-s} \text{ mod } p$ where (s,r) is the secret key, and s and r are two elements of (Z_q^*) , and h of (Z_p^*) |

NOTE In this context, ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 17 reserves any other data object of the context-specific class (first byte in the range '80' to 'BF').

^a The RSA Okamoto-Schnorr signature scheme, is considered a blind signature process, which is an interactive procedure between a signer and a recipient. It allows a recipient to obtain a signature of a message of the recipient's choice without giving the signer any information about the actual message or the resulting signature. [Z][8][9][10] DO'73' may be used in the data field for returning multi-part digital signature response comprised of concatenation of context-specific data objects defined by the application.

NOTE 5 For other Blind Signature schemes, e.g. Blind RSA signature (with data objects related to RSA), Blind Schnorr signature (with data objects related to DSA and/or ECDSA), Okamoto-Guillou-Quisquater blind signature scheme (with data objects related to GQ2), the OID under template '7F49' determines the nature and meaning of any further or different data objects, i.e. the following indications may be denoted by the OID

- blind signature type, e.g. RSA, Schnorr, Okamoto-Schnorr, Okamoto-Guillou-Quisquater),
- cryptographic Hash function,
- generic description of the token/credential (message) to be signed,
- attributes generic structure, and/or
- type of control upon signed message, i.e. partially blind, fully blind or restrictive blind signature (in some mechanisms, the signer does not totally lose control over the signed message since the signer can include explicit information in the resulting signature based on some agreement with the recipient. Such blind signatures are called partially blind signatures. Other mechanisms allow a recipient to receive a blind signature on a message not known to the signer but the choice of the message is restricted and must conform to certain rules. Such schemes are called restrictive blind signature mechanisms).

For the coding of the DO stating information about the private part of the key pair, [Table 4](#) applies.

Table 4 — Private key data objects

| Tag | Value |
|--|--|
| '7F48' | Interindustry template for nesting one set of private key data object with the following tags |
| '82' | public exponent (optional) |
| '92' | parameter p |
| '93' | parameter q |
| '94' | parameter 1/q mod p |
| '95' | parameter d mod (p - 1) |
| '96' | parameter d mod (q - 1) |
| '7F48' | Interindustry template for nesting one set of ECDSA/ECDH private key data object with the following tags |
| '92' | Private key |
| '06' | object identifier of related curve (optional) |
| | |
| or | |
| | curve information (optional): |
| '93' | — p is the prime specifying the base field; |
| '94' | — A 1st coefficient of the equation $y^2 = x^3 + A*x + B \text{ mod } p$ defining the elliptic curve; |
| '95' | — B 2nd coefficient of the equation $y^2 = x^3 + A*x + B \text{ mod } p$; |
| '96' | — G = (x,y) base point, i.e., a point in E of prime order, with x and y being its x- and y-coordinates; |
| '97' | — q prime order of the group generated by G; |
| '98' | — h cofactor of G in E, i.e. $\#E[GF(p)]/q$. |
| NOTE In this context, ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 17 reserves any other data object of the context-specific class (first byte in the range '80' to 'BF'). | |

5.3 PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command

5.3.1 General

The PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command initiates the following security operations:

- computations, such as
 - computation of a cryptographic checksum,
 - computation of a digital signature, or
 - computation of a hash-code;
- verifications, such as
 - verification of a cryptographic checksum,
 - verification of a digital signature, or
 - verification of a certificate;
- encipherment; or
- decipherment.

P1 defines the expected response data, see [Table 6](#). P2 defines the command data, see [Table 7](#). Values of tag of SM data object defined in ISO/IEC 7816-4 are used for P1 and P2.

P1 and P2 also define operation of this command. It depends on each operation defined in subsequent subclauses which value is used for P1 and P2. If the security operation requires several commands to complete, then command chaining may apply (see ISO/IEC 7816-4).

The PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command may be preceded by a MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT command.

For example, the security object reference as well as the cryptographic mechanism reference shall be either implicitly known or specified in a CRT in a MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT command.

NOTE A security object reference is a reference of a secret key, a reference of a public key, a reference data, a reference for computing a session key or a reference of a private key. See ISO/IEC 7816-4.

Such a command can be performed only if the security status satisfies the security attributes for the operation. The successful execution of the command may be subject to successful completion of prior commands (e.g. VERIFY before the computation of a digital signature).

If present (e.g. implicitly known by the card or because it is part of the command data field), a header list or an extended header list defines the order and the data items that form the input for the security operation.

For this command, when a verification related operation is considered, SW1-SW2 set to '6300' or '63CX' indicates that a verification failed, 'X' ≥ '0' encodes the number of further allowed retries.

Table 5 — PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command-response pair with INS='2A'

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| CLA | As defined in ISO/IEC 7816-4 |
| INS | '2A' |
| P1 | See Table 6 |
| P2 | See Table 7 |
| L _c field | Absent for encoding N _c = 0, present for encoding N _c > 0 |
| Data field | Absent or value of the data object specified in P2 |
| L _e field | Absent for encoding N _e = 0, present for encoding N _e > 0 |
| Data field | Absent or value of the data object specified in P1 |
| SW1-SW2 | See ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Tables 5 and 6 where relevant, e.g. 6985 |

Table 6 — P1 coding for defining the expected response data field

| Value | Meaning |
|-------|---|
| '00' | The response data field is absent |
| '80' | Plain value not encoded in BER-TLV |
| '82' | Cryptogram (plain value encoded in BER-TLV DO and including SM DOs) |
| '84' | Cryptogram (plain value encoded in BER-TLV DO, but not including SM DOs) |
| '86' | Padding-content indicator byte followed by cryptogram (plain value not encoded in BER-TLV DO) |
| '8E' | Cryptographic checksum |
| '90' | Hash-code |
| '9E' | Digital signature |
| NOTE | Any other value is reserved for future use by ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 17. |

Table 7 — P2 coding for defining the command data field

| Value | Meaning |
|-------|--|
| '00' | The command data field is absent |
| '80' | Plain value not encoded in BER-TLV |
| '82' | Cryptogram (plain value encoded in BER-TLV DO and including SM DOs) |
| '84' | Cryptogram (plain value encoded in BER-TLV DO, but not including SM DOs) |
| '86' | Padding-content indicator byte followed by cryptogram (plain value not encoded in BER-TLV DO) |
| '92' | Certificate (data not encoded in BER-TLV DO) |
| '9A' | Input data element for the computation of a digital signature |
| 'A0' | Input template for the computation of a hash-code (the template is hashed) |
| 'A2' | Input template for the verification of a cryptographic checksum (the template is integrated) |
| 'A8' | Input template for the verification of a digital signature (the template is signed) |
| 'AC' | Input template for the computation of a digital signature (the concatenated value fields are signed) |
| 'AE' | Input template for the verification of a certificate (the concatenated value fields are certified) |
| 'BC' | Input template for the computation of a digital signature (the template is signed) |
| 'BE' | Input template for the verification of a certificate (the template is certified) |
| NOTE | Any other value is reserved for future use by ISO/IEC JTC 1 SC 17. |

The PSO command with INS = '2B' allows security operation commands with extensions. The functions are distinguished by function numbers in P1, defined in [Table 9](#). Input DOs are conveyed in the command data field.

Optionally, the last DO is an extended header list describing the output.

Table 8 — PERFORM SECURITY OPERATION command-response pair with INS='2B'

| | | |
|----------------------|---|--|
| CLA | As defined in ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, 5.4.1 | |
| INS | '2B' | |
| P1 | 'xx' | function number, to distinguish the different variants of PSO, see Table 9 |
| P2 | '00', output DO defined in command data field | |
| L _c field | present for encoding N _c > 0 | |
| Data field | Either input DO(s) (see Table 7) or DO'73', and optionally an extended header list describing the output (primitive or constructed) (see Table 6) | |
| L _e field | Absent for encoding N _e = 0 | |

| | |
|------------|---|
| Data field | Absent or output either according to the extended header list or DO'73' |
| SW1-SW2 | See ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Tables 5 and 6 where relevant, e.g. 6985 |

Table 9 — Function numbers for PSO command

| Value | Meaning |
|-------|--------------------------------|
| '01' | Compute cryptographic checksum |
| '02' | Compute digital signature |
| '03' | Hash operation |
| '04' | Verify cryptographic checksum |
| '05' | Verify digital signature |
| '06' | Verify certificate |
| '07' | Encipher |
| '08' | Decipher |
| NOTE | Any other value is RFU. |

5.3.2 through 5.3.9 provide further specifications for the case of the even INS code.

5.3.2 COMPUTE CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation

The COMPUTE CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation initiates the computation of a cryptographic checksum.

Table 10 — Parameters and data fields for COMPUTE CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| P1 | '8E' |
| P2 | '80' |
| Command data field | Data for which the cryptographic checksum is computed |
| Response data field | Cryptographic checksum |

5.3.3 COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation

The COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation initiates the computation of a digital signature. The algorithm may be either a digital signature algorithm or a combination of a hash algorithm and a digital signature algorithm. Annex A provides examples of digital signature operations.

For the computation of a digital signature, the data to be signed or integrated in the signing process are transmitted in the command data field or submitted in a previous command, e.g. PSO HASH. In P2, the digital signature is specified with tag values of SM data object '9A', 'AC' or 'BC' according to Table 6.

Table 11 — Parameters and data fields for COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| P1 | 00' or '9E |
| P2 | '00', '9A', 'AC' or 'BC |
| Command data field | Absent (data already in the card), or If P2 = '9A', data to be signed or integrated in the signature process, or If P2 = 'AC', data objects, the concatenated value fields of which are signed or integrated in the signature process, or If P2 = 'BC', data objects to be signed or integrated in the signature process |
| Response data field | Absent (digital signature stored in the card), or digital signature |

5.3.4 HASH operation

The HASH operation initiates the computation of a hash-code by performing

- either the complete computation inside the card, or
- a partial computation inside the card.

The HT ('AA', 'AB') indicates the algorithm reference for computing a hash-code (see ISO/IEC 7816-4).

The input data shall be presented to the card in successive input blocks (one or more at a time), the length of which is algorithm dependent. Depending on the hash algorithm, the last input data have a length equal or shorter than the block length. The padding mechanism, if appropriate, is part of the definition of the hash algorithm.

Even if no data are transmitted (i.e. empty command data when P2='80'), P1 shall be set to '90'. This is applicable, for example, when data is already in the card.

For the resulting hash-code, the following two cases have to be distinguished

- either the card stores the hash-code for a subsequent command; then the L_e field is not present, or
- the card delivers the hash-code in the response; then the L_e field has to be set to the appropriate length.

Table 12 — Parameters and data fields for HASH operation

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| P1 | '00' or '90' |
| P2 | '00', '80' or 'A0' |
| Command data field | If P2 = '80', data to hash, or absent (e.g. for initialization or data already in the card), or If P2 = 'A0', data objects relevant for hashing (e.g. '90' for intermediate hash-code, '80' for data to hash) |
| Response data field | Hash-code or absent |

5.3.5 VERIFY CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation

The VERIFY CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation initiates the verification of a cryptographic checksum.

Table 13 — Parameters and data fields for VERIFY CRYPTOGRAPHIC CHECKSUM operation

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| P1 | '00' |
| P2 | 'A2' |
| Command data field | Data objects relevant to the operation (e.g. '80', '8E') |
| Response data field | Absent |

NOTE The value field of DO'80' contains data or data elements covered by the value field of DO'8E' as cryptographic checksum.

5.3.6 VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation

The VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation initiates the verification of a digital signature delivered as a data object in the command data field. Other verification relevant data are either transmitted in a command chaining process or present in the card. The algorithm may be either a digital signature algorithm or a combination of a hash algorithm and a digital signature algorithm. [Annex A](#) provides examples of digital signature operations.

The public key as well as the algorithm may be

- either implicitly known,
- referenced in a DST ('B6') of a `MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT` command, or
- available as a result from a previous `VERIFY CERTIFICATE` operation.

If the algorithm reference in the card declares a signature only algorithm, then the data consists of a hash-code, or the signature is of message recovery type [see ISO/IEC 9796 (all parts)]. Otherwise, the hash-code calculation is performed in the card and the algorithm reference additionally contains a reference to a hash algorithm.

Table 14 — Parameters and data fields for VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| P1 | '00' |
| P2 | 'A8' |
| Command data field | Data objects relevant to the operation (e.g. either '9A', 'AC' or 'BC', and '9E') |
| Response data field | Absent |

If the command data field contains an empty data object, then the card is expected to know all data relevant for verification.

5.3.7 VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation

For the verification of a certificate, the digital signature of a certificate to be verified is delivered as a data object in the command data field. [Annex B](#) provides relevant examples of how to implement this operation, which may help the reader to better understand this subclause.

The public key of the certification authority to be used in the verification process is either implicitly selected or may be referenced in a DST using the `MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT` command. The algorithm to apply is implicitly known or may be referenced in a DST. If other data objects are to be used in the verification process (e.g. hash-code), then these data objects shall be present in the card or shall be transmitted using the command chaining process.

It is recommended for the public key of the certification authority to be on the card.

The following two cases have to be distinguished:

- if the certificate is self-descriptive (P2 = 'BE'), then the card retrieves a public key identified by its tag in the (recovered) certificate content;
- if the certificate is not self-descriptive (P2 = 'AE'), then the card retrieves a public key in the certificate either implicitly or explicitly by using the public key tag in a header-list describing the content of the certificate.

If the retrieved public key is stored in the card, that key may be the default key for the subsequent operation (e.g. `VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE`).

Practical implementations recommend that tag '7F21' is not used in the data field, on behalf of the contained templates/DOs of the card verifiable certificates. Next edition of this document may deprecate the use of '7F21' in this operation.

Table 15 — Parameters and data fields for VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| P1 | '00' |
| P2 | '92', 'AE' or 'BE' |
| Command data field | Data elements or data objects relevant to the operation. If P2 = '92', data element to be used in the certificate verification process, (see ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 49) If P2 = 'BE', or 'AE' data objects to be used in the certificate verification process. The allowed DOs may be those of a Card Verifiable Certificate (see ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 49) |

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Response data field | Absent |
|---------------------|--------|

If a partial message recovery scheme is used and part of the information is already stored in the card, then the data object for auxiliary data is expected to be sent empty, with the data to be inserted later by the card.

5.3.8 ENCIPHER operation

The ENCIPHER operation enciphers data transmitted in the command data field or data in a card. The usage of this operation may be restricted.

NOTE The operation may be used for generating diversified keys.

Table 16 — Parameters and data fields for ENCIPHER operation

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| P1 | '82', '84', '86' (cryptogram according to ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 49) |
| P2 | '00' or '80' (plain value) |
| Command data field | Absent (data already in the card) or data to be enciphered |

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Response data field | Enciphered data as mandated by the P1 value, according to ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013. |
|---------------------|--|

5.3.9 DECIPHER operation

The DECIPHER operation decipheres data transmitted in the command data field. The usage of this operation may be restricted.

Table 17 — Parameters and data fields for DECIPHER operation

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| P1 | '00' or '80' (plain value) |
| P2 | '82', '84', '86' (cryptogram according to ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 49) |
| Command data field | Data to be deciphered as mandated by the P2 value, according to ISO/IEC 7816-4:2013, Table 49. |

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| Response data field | Absent (deciphered data remains in the card) or deciphered data |
|---------------------|---|

Annex A (informative)

Examples of operations related to digital signature

A.1 General

This annex provides examples of how to operate with digital signatures. Examples provided here are in line with EN 14890-1.

A.2 Sequences of commands for managing a security environment

[Table A.1](#) represents a sequence of `MANAGE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT` commands to `SET DST`, `CCT` and `CT` components of the current SE and finally, to `STORE` the current SE under a SEID indicated in P2.

Table A.1 — Setting of security environment components

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field |
|---------|------------------|--------|--|
| MSE | SET DST | '41B6' | {'84' - L - Key reference} - {'91' - L = 0} |
| MSE | SET CCT | '41B4' | {'83' - L - Key reference} - {'87' - L - Initialization value} |
| MSE | SET CT | '41B8' | {'83' - L - Key reference} |
| MSE | STORE (SEID = 1) | 'F201' | Absent |

The `SET DST` operation references the private key to use in the signature computation and specifies the integration of a random number in the digital signature input. The `SET CCT` operation references a secret key and an initial value to use for the computation of a cryptographic checksum. The `SET CT` operation references a secret session key to use for confidentiality.

A.3 Sequences of commands for digital signature computation

[Table A.2](#) shows the syntax for producing a digital signature by using a signature scheme with appendix. The input is a hash-code completed with padding bytes. This example illustrates the calculation of a digital signature with combined algorithm including a hash operation. In this example, the hash input is delivered to the card.

Table A.2 — First example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| MSE | RESTORE | 'F301' | Absent | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9E9A' | Hash-code with padding bytes | Digital signature |

NOTE 1 This example is purely illustrative and its value is limited in terms of implementation as a result of possible export controls that might apply and indeed for general security reasons (avoidance of repeat signatures is desirable in some circumstances).

[Table A.3](#) shows the syntax for producing a digital signature by using a signature scheme with appendix. The digital signature input consists of the hash-code without padding bytes.

Table A.3 — Second example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| MSE | RESTORE | 'F301' | Absent | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9E9A' | Hash-code without padding bytes | Digital signature |

NOTE 2 In order to avoid export restrictions, a combined signature and hash algorithm may be used.

NOTE 3 In some circumstances, avoidance of repeat signatures, although desirable, cannot be achieved.

[Table A.4](#) shows a signature scheme with appendix. The digital signature input contains a hash-code without padding bytes delivered to the card and the card is requested to generate a random number as required in the extended header-list of the DST in the command data field of the MSE command. As specified by tag 'BC' in P2, a concatenation of data objects (hash-code provided to the card and random number provided by the card) is signed.

Table A.4 — Third example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|---|---------------------|
| MSE | SET | '41B6' | {'4D' - L - ('90' - L - '91' - L=0)} - {'84' - L - Key reference} | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9EBC' | {'90' - L - Hash-code} | Digital signature |

[Table A.5](#) shows the syntax for digital signature with limited message recovery. The data to be signed are configured in accordance with a signature scheme giving limited message recovery using data objects presented in the command data field, whereby the digital signature counter is used as internal message provided by the card.

Table A.5 — Fourth example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|------------------------|---------------------|
| MSE | RESTORE | 'F302' | Absent | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9EAC' | {'90' - L - Hash-code} | Digital signature |

NOTE 4 Padding for computing the hash-code as well as the digital signature are according to ISO/IEC 9796-2.

In [Table A.6](#), the card performs the hashing (or the last round of the hash computation). The digital signature input is empty in the COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation, since all input data are present in the card.

Table A.6 — Fifth example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|
| MSE | RESTORE | 'F301' | Absent | Absent |
| PSO | HASH | '9080' | Data to hash | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9E9A' | Absent | Digital signature |

In [Table A.7](#), the card performs partly the hashing. The digital signature input is empty in the COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation since the intermediate hash is conveyed in HASH operation.

Table A.7 — Sixth example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|-----------|--------|---|---------------------|
| MSE | SET | '41B6' | {'84'-L-Key reference} | Absent |
| PSO | HASH | '90A0' | 90 L90 <intermediate hash followed by a bit counter> 80 L80 <data to be hashed> limited to one block | Absent |
| PSO | CDS | '9E9A' | Absent | Digital signature |

In [Table A.8](#), the hashing is completely worked out outside the card. The digital signature input conveys the hash value computed off-card in the COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation.

Table A.8 — Seventh example of digital signature scheme with appendix

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|-----------|--------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| MSE | SET | '41B6' | {'84'-L-Key reference} | Absent |
| PSO | CDS | '9E9A' | Hash value computed off-card | Digital signature |

A.4 Sequences of commands for digital signature verification

In [Table A.9](#), an extended header list specifies the construction of a non-self-descriptive certificate (see [Annex B](#)): the digital signature input consists of data elements. The VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation uses command chaining.

Table A.9 — First example of digital signature verification

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field |
|---------|---------------------------------|--------|--|
| MSE | SET DST | '41B6' | {'4D' - L - ('42' - L - '5F20' - L - '5F49' - L)} - {'83' - L - Key reference} |
| PSO | VERIFY CERTIFICATE (CLA = '1X') | '00AE' | {'5F4E' - L - Certificate content} |
| PSO | VERIFY CERTIFICATE (CLA = '0X') | '00AE' | {'5F37' - L - Digital signature of certificate} |
| PSO | HASH | '9080' | Hash input |
| PSO | VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '00A8' | {'9E' - L - Digital signature} |

- As the first step, the certificate content data object is presented [concatenation of the data elements: issuer identification number (tag '42'), cardholder name (tag '5F20'), and cardholder public key (tag '5F49')]. The card performs the hashing using the certificate content as hash input.
- As a second step, the digital signature belonging to the certificate is re-transformed and the result is compared with the hash-code computed before. Then, the HASH operation is performed. For verifying the digital signature, the public key has been retrieved and verified by the previous VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation. The hash input is dependent on the hash algorithm, either the plain value, possibly presented in chained commands, or a pre-processed hash-code if the card performs only the last round of hash-code computation.
- As the final step, the VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation is performed.

[Table A.10](#) shows the verification of a self-descriptive certificate (see [Annex B](#)): the digital signature input consists of data objects. The VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation uses command chaining. In the first step, the data objects integrated in the certificate are presented (e.g. a concatenation of the data objects: certification authority reference, cardholder name and cardholder public key). The card uses this concatenation as hash input. Further steps are identical to those of the previous example.

Table A.10 — Second example of digital signature verification

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------|---|
| MSE | SET DST | '41B6' | {'83' - L - Key reference} |
| PSO | VERIFY CERTIFICATE (CLA='1X') | '00BE' | {'42' - L - Issuer identification number} - {'5F20' - L - Cardholder name} - {'5F49' - L - cardholder public key} |
| PSO | VERIFY CERTIFICATE (CLA='0X') | '00AE' | {'5F37'-L-Digital signature of certificate} |
| PSO | HASH | '9080' | Hash input |
| PSO | VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '00A8' | {'9E'-L-Digital signature} |

Table A.11 shows the usage of a public key previously installed in the card.

Table A.11 — Third example of digital signature verification

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field |
|---------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| MSE | SET DST | '41B6' | {'83' - L - Key reference} |
| PSO | HASH | '90A8' | Hash input |
| PSO | VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '00A8' | {'9E' - L - Digital signature} |

A.5 CHA-Certificate Holder Authorization Data Object (CHA-DO)

Table A.12 — Certification Holder Authorization Data Object

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Tag | '5F4C' |
| Purpose | Encodes the role of the holder (i.e. CVCA, DV, IS) and assigns read/write access rights to data groups storing sensitive data |
| Format | Refer to below |

The "Certificate Holder Authorization" (CHA) describes access rights of the certificate holder. It is a general DE in a CV certificate, which is used to identify (i.e. access-) rights of the certificate holder. The meaning of CHA can be compared with a role based key identifier (refer to 7 "Role Authentication" in Part 2).

The CHA consists of the application reference/ID for which the authorization is valid, and the role identifier.

The CHA is formatted as follows.

Table A.13 — CHA format

| Prefix | Value |
|--|-----------------|
| AID of related DF (6 most significant bytes) | Role Identifier |

- AID of the related DF (6 most significant bytes) specifies the AID of the DF where the authorization is valid.
- Role Identifier: indicates the privileges granted within the application whose AID was specified before.

The role identifier is coded as follows.

Table A.14 — General coding of the role identifier for non self-descriptive certificates

| b8 | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | Meaning |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| 0 | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | bit 7 to bit 1 code the value as described |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | — | — | Role Identifier coded in two bytes |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | 0 | 0 | Role Identifier coded as number in the subsequent byte |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | 0 | 1 | Role Identifier coded as bit map in the subsequent byte; the "effective" Role identifier is calculated by a logical AND of the Role-ID of CA PuK and the Role-ID given in the certificate |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 0 | Role Identifier coded as bit map in the subsequent byte; the bits set in the subsequent byte are correlated to order further Data Elements with 'FF' separator |
| Other values | | | | | | | | RFU, other values assigned by CEN TC 224/WG 16 |

The following table codes the Role Identifier if two bytes are indicated through the first byte value '82'.

Table A.15 — Role identifier with two-byte header

| Byte 1 | Byte 2 | | | | | | | | Meaning |
|------------|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| | b8 | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | |
| 10 000 010 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | Community ID verification |
| | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | Age verification with finite value |
| | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | Age verification with inclusive range |
| | Other values | | | | | | | | RFU, other values assigned by CEN TC 224/WG 16 |

The following example shows the coding of the payload if b3...b1 in [Table A.13](#) are set to '1'.

Table A.16 — Role Identifier's further data elements (example with inclusive range)

| Data Element | separator | Data Element | separator | Data Element |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Community ID verification value | 'FF' | Age lower limit | 'FF' | Age upper limit |

In this case, the role ID for PuK of CA should be set to '00'.

When the certificate is used in a certificate verification chain to certify a public key of a CA, it is coded as described in the following paragraph.

A.6 CDS with two subsequent signature commands

[Table A.17](#) shows the syntax for producing a digital signature by using two commands. The final signature, e.g. a DSA- or a EC-DSA-Signature (r,s), consists of two parts which are computed separately by the two signature commands.

Table A.17 — Example of signature creation by two subsequent signature commands

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------|---|--------------------------------|
| MSE | SET DST | '41'-'B6' | {'84' - L - Key reference} - {'91' - L=0} | Absent |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9E'-'9A' | Absent | pre-signature, e.g. part r |
| PSO | COMPUTE DIGITAL SIGNATURE | '9E'-'9A' | randomized hash-code value | digital signature, e.g. part s |

This is applicable, e.g. for randomized hashing according to NIST/SP 800-106; if the randomizer of the signature is used in the computation of the hash value of the message.

A.7 Sequence of commands for self-descriptive card verifiable certificate verification

The most common use case of the VERIFY CERTIFICATE operation is using it together with GENERAL AUTHENTICATE or EXTERNAL AUTHENTICATE, as indicated in ISO/IEC 7816-4.

The verification of a card verifiable certificate requires two steps: selection of the verification key and verification of the certificate together with the import of the public key. Generally, the top key of a certificate chain available in the ICC is the public key of the root CA. The two steps have to be performed repeatedly until the correct terminal public key is available in the ICC. The ICC verifies this certificate with the public key set in the previous step. If the verification fails, the ICC responds with an appropriate status word. When successful, the ICC stores the public key contained in the certificate and allows a further import of certificates along the certificate chain. This process is called multi-stage verification.

The role of the certificate holder should comply with its signer. The selection of root CA public key can always be accepted to verify a chained certificate. Any other key that was imported with a certificate may be applied only, if the role of its certificate matches the purpose of verification of the next incoming certificate.

The MSE command selects the key to be used for verification of the certificate to be received in the consecutive PSO command.

Table A.18 — Example for certificate verification

| Command | Operation | P1-P2 | Command data field | Response data field |
|---------|--------------------|---------|--|---------------------|
| MSE | SET DST | '81 B6' | {'83' - L - Issuer identification number} Key reference of root CA public key or other key in chain | Absent |
| PSO | VERIFY CERTIFICATE | '00 BE' | {'7F4E' - L - certificate content template} - {'5F37' - L - digital signature} | Absent |

The key reference of root CA public key or any other key in the chain that is temporarily imported is the certificate authority reference CAR coded in the certificate.

An example of a certificate structure applied in the Extended Access Control protocol (EAC) is given in B.5. The transmission of the self-descriptive certificate is done without the tag '7F21', i.e. only the relevant data objects from the value field of the certificate will be transmitted.

The response data field is absent.

Annex B (informative)

Examples of certificates interpreted by the card

B.1 General

This annex defines examples of how certificates may be interpreted by the card, based on EN 14890.

B.2 Data objects for card-verifiable certificates

[Table B.1](#) shows data objects relevant for card-verifiable certificates. These data objects are extracted from ISO/IEC 7816-6, which supersedes their definition in the following table. The definitions are copied in this table just for improving readability.

Table B.1 — Interindustry data objects relevant for card-verifiable certificates (non-exhaustive list)

| Tag | Data element |
|--------|---|
| '06' | Object identifier |
| '42' | Issuer identification number |
| '5F20' | Cardholder name |
| '5F24' | Certificate expiration date |
| '5F25' | Certificate effective date |
| '5F29' | Certificate profile indicator |
| '5F37' | Static internal authentication (signature of a certificate, produced by the issuer) |
| '5F49' | Cardholder public key |
| '5F4C' | Certificate holder authorization |
| '5F4E' | Certificate content |
| '65' | Cardholder related data (e.g. certificate extensions) |
| '7F21' | Cardholder certificate |
| '7F49' | Public key template |
| '7F4C' | Certificate holder authorization template (CHAT) |
| '7F4E' | Certificate content template |

NOTE In order to provide certificate extension, the DO'73' (i.e. Discretionary Data Template) may be used directly without being encapsulated into the DO'65'. See [Table B.7](#).

The issuer may specify further data objects such as certificate serial number, version number, expiration date, etc.

Two different structures of card-verifiable certificates are to be distinguished:

- a self-descriptive card-verifiable certificate consists of a concatenation of BER-TLV data objects;
- a non-self-descriptive card-verifiable certificate consists of a concatenation of data elements.

B.3 Self-descriptive card-verifiable certificates

For the signature creation of a certificate, a digital signature scheme with or without message recovery is used. Table B.2 shows an example of a self-descriptive card-verifiable certificate with a digital signature scheme without message recovery.

Table B.2 — Construction for Self-descriptive card-verifiable certificate of a cardholder

| '7F21' | Length | Value of subsequent data objects | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| | | {'7F 4E' – L – Certificate content template {'5F29' – L – Certificate profile identifier} – {'42' – L – Issuer identification number} – {'5F20' – L – Cardholder name} – {'5F49' – L – Cardholder public key} } | {'5F37' – L – Digital signature} |
| Tag of the certificate (constructed) | Length of the certificate | DO certificate content template | DO'7F4E' (including tag-field and length-field of DO'7F4E') is signed |

NOTE 1 The identification data of the certification authority may reference this public key.

NOTE 2 The identification data of the cardholder may be used for controlling access rights to data stored in the card.

NOTE 3 The public key of the cardholder may be used in a subsequent VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURE operation.

B.4 Non-self-descriptive card-verifiable certificates

An extended header-list data object may be present in the card to verify this type of certificate; otherwise, it should be protected when delivered to the card. An extended header-list data object (tag '4D', see ISO/IEC 7816-4) describes the concatenation of data elements by tag/length pairs in the same order as in the digital signature.

Table B.3 — Construction for non-self-descriptive card-verifiable certificate of a cardholder

| '7F21' | Length | Value of subsequent data objects | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | {'4D' – L – ('42' – L – '5F20' – L – '5F49' – L)} | {'5F4E' – L – Issuer identification number – Cardholder name – Cardholder public key} | {'5F37' – L – Digital signature} |
| Tag of the certificate (constructed) | Length of the certificate | Extended header-list (present only if the certificate structure is not implicitly known) | Certificate content data object integrated in the signature (present only in the absence of message recovery, it contains the data elements according to the extended header-list) | The data elements are signed: — Issuer identification number; — Cardholder name; — Cardholder public key. |

B.5 Self-descriptive card verifiable certificates

This subclause provides an example of a self-descriptive certificate as it is typically used in the protocol Extended Access Control (EAC), see ISO/IEC 7816-4. The certificate is card verifiable and is delivered as a certificate content template followed by a signature data object. Only the shaded parts are transmitted to the ICC. The transmission of the certificate is done without the tag '7F21'.

Table B.4 — Structure and content of a self-descriptive CV certificate (example)

| '7F 21' | '82 01 BA' | CV certificate | | | | | |
|---------|------------|----------------|------------|---------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--|
| | | '7F 4E' | '82 01 7A' | | | | |
| | | | | '5F 29' | '01' | '00' | = Certificate Profile Identifier (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6) |
| | | | | '42' | '0E' | '44 45 43 ...' | = Certificate Authority Reference (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6) |
| | | | | '7F 49' | '81 FD' | see Table B.5 | = Public key (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6) |
| | | | | '5F 20' | '0E' | '64 65 63 ...' | = Certificate Holder Reference (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6) |
| | | | | '7F 4C' | '0E' | see Table B.6 | = Certificate Holder Authorization Template (CHAT) (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6) |
| | | | | '5F 25' | '06' | '00 07 00 04 00 01' | = Certificate Effective Date: 2007-APR-01 (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6, and applies to the application to which it belongs) |
| | | | | '5F 24' | '06' | '00 09 00 04 00 01' | = Certificate Expiration Date: 2009-APR-01 (defined in ISO/IEC 7816-6, and applies to the application to which it belongs) |
| | | | | '65' | '2F' | See Table B.7 | (optional data object) |
| | | '5F 37' | '38' | See B.5.9 | | | = Digital Signature: ECDSA |

B.5.1 Certificate profile identifier

For self-descriptive certificates, the CPI defines the list of data objects used to construct the data to be signed and the order of the data objects, but not their length.

B.5.2 Certification authority reference

The “Certification Authority Reference” (CAR) has the purpose of identifying the certificate issuing CA in such a way that the DE can be used at the same time as an authority key identifier.

B.5.3 Public key

The encoding of the public key and the domain parameters contained in the certificate is explained in [Table B.5](#).

Table B.5 — Structure and content the public key template

| '7F 49' | '81 FD' | Public key template | | | |
|---------|---------|---------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| | '06' | '0A' | '04 00 7F 00 07 02 02 02 02' | | = Object Identifier: <i>Terminal Auth. with ECDSA-SHA-224</i> |
| | '81' | '1C' | 'D7 C1 34 ... C8 C0 FF' | | = Prime modulus p |
| | '82' | '1C' | '68 A5 E6 ... D2 9F 43' | | = First coefficient a |
| | '83' | '1C' | '25 80 F6 ... 6C 40 0B' | | = Second coefficient b |
| | '84' | '39' | '04 0D 90 ... 14 02 CD' | | = Base point G (uncompressed format) |
| | '85' | '1C' | 'D7 C1 34 ... A7 93 9F' | | = Order of the base point r |
| | '86' | '39' | '04 39 3E ... 13 9E 14' | | = Public point Y |
| | '87' | '01' | '01' | | = Cofactor f |

B.5.4 Certificate holder reference

This data object provides a unique name for the public key nested within the certificate.

B.5.5 Certificate holder authorization template

In the example, the discretionary data object contained in the CHAT identifies a CVCA that allows read access to DG3 according to the ICAO LDS.

Table B.6 — Structure and content of certificate holder authorization template

| '7F 4C' | '0E' | Certificate holder authorization template | | | |
|---------|------|---|------------------------------|--|---|
| | '06' | '09' | '04 00 7F 00 07 03 01 02 01' | | = Object identifier: <i>Inspection system to access MRTDs</i> |
| | '53' | '01' | 'C1' | | = Role and access rights: <i>CVCA with right 'Read DG3</i> |

B.5.6 Certificate effective date

The certificate effective date CED defines the date from which the certificate is valid. The date is coded in 6 bytes using unpacked BCD as follows: 0Y 0Y 0M 0M 0D 0D. Other formats are out of the scope of this document.

B.5.7 Certificate expiration date

The certificate expiration date CXD defines the date after which the certificate expires. The date is coded in 6 bytes using unpacked BCD as follows: 0Y 0Y 0M 0M 0D 0D.

B.5.8 Certificate extension

Optionally, a certificate may contain certificate extensions. This gives the opportunity to import arbitrary data in an authentic way. In the example, the discretionary data object contained in the certificate extension authenticates auxiliary data by its hash value to be used in subsequent protocol steps that are out of scope of this document.

Table B.7 — Structure and content of the certificate extension

| '65' | '2F' | Certificate extension | | | | |
|------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | '73' | '2D' | Discretionary data template | | | |
| | | '06' | '09' | 'xx xx xx xx xx xx xx xx' | | = Object identifier |
| | | '80' | '20' | HASH value | | = HASH value <i>SHA-256</i> |

B.5.9 Digital signature (ECDSA)

For self-descriptive certificates, the data to be signed is the complete data object denoted by tag '7F 4E' including this tag and the corresponding length field.

ECDSA signatures in plain format are given as a direct concatenation of two byte strings R||S. For ECDSA-224, each byte string has length 28 (decimal) and the signature is of length 56 bytes (decimal).

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Annex C (informative)

Examples of asymmetric key transfer

C.1 Usage of the GET DATA command for public key export

It is assumed, that the data objects describing a public key are present in the card code in a form as shown in [Table C.1](#).

Table C.1 — Coding for Public Key data objects present in the card

| | | | | | |
|------|---|--|------|--|-----------------------------|
| 'A8' | L | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification | | | |
| | | 'B6' | L | DST | |
| | | | '83' | L | Key reference of public key |
| | | '7F49' | L | Public key data object | |
| | | | '81' | L | Modulus |
| | | | '82' | L | Public exponent |
| | | '9E' | L | Digital signature (all bytes of the digital signature verification template preceding tag '9E' are signed) | |

With the MSE command, the public key to be retrieved is selected. Then the GET DATA command (odd INS, P1-P2 = '3FFF') is used in three steps, whereby the data fields shown in [Table C.2](#) to [Table C.7](#) occur at the card interface.

Table C.2 — Data field of the GET DATA command, step 1 of 3

| | | | | | |
|------|------|----------------------|------|--|--|
| '4D' | '0B' | Extended header list | | | |
| | | 'A8' | 09 | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification | |
| | | | 'B6' | 02 | T-L pair that indicates a DST data object |
| | | | '83' | 00 | T-L pair that indicates a public key reference |
| | | '7F49' | 02 | T-L pair that indicates the public key data object | |
| | | | '81' | 00 | T-L pair that indicates the modulus |

Table C.3 — Data field of the GET DATA response, step 1 of 3

| | | | | | |
|------|---|--------|------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 'A8' | L | | | | |
| | | 'B6' | L | DST | |
| | | | '83' | L | Key reference of exported public key |
| | | '7F49' | L | Public key | |
| | | | '81' | L | Modulus |

Table C.4 — Data field of the GET DATA command, step 2 of 3

| | | | | | |
|------|----|----------------------|--------|--|--|
| '4D' | 07 | Extended header list | | | |
| | | 'A8' | 07 | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification | |
| | | | '7F49' | 02 | T-L pair that indicates the public key data object |
| | | | '82' | 00 | T-L pair that indicates the modulus |

Table C.5 — Data field of the GET DATA response, step 2 of 3

| | | | | | |
|------|---|--------|------|------------|-----------------|
| 'A8' | L | | | | |
| | | '7F49' | L | Public key | |
| | | | '82' | L | Public exponent |

Table C.6 — Data field of the GET DATA command, step 3 of 3

| | | | | | |
|------|----|----------------------|------|--|---|
| '4D' | 04 | Extended header list | | | |
| | | 'A8' | 02 | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification | |
| | | | '9E' | 00 | T-L pair that indicates digital signature data object |

Table C.7 — Data field of the GET DATA response, step 3 of 3

| | | | | |
|------|---|------|---|-------------------|
| 'A8' | L | | | |
| | | '9E' | L | Digital signature |

C.2 Usage of the PUT DATA command for private key import

C.2.1 Example for referencing the corresponding private key

Initially, an MSE command should be sent to reference the corresponding private key (i.e. the key reference is already known to the card). Then the PUT DATA command (odd INS, P1-P2 = '3FFF') is used with command data field shown in [Table C.8](#) and [C.9](#).

Table C.8 — Extended header list describing the private key object

| | | | | | |
|------|---|----------------------|------|--|--|
| '4D' | L | Extended header list | | | |
| | | 'A8' | L | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification | |
| | | | 'B6' | L | T-L pair to indicate a DST |
| | | | '84' | L | T-L pair to indicate a key reference to SK.CH.DS |
| | | '7F48' | L | T-L pair to indicate a private key data object | |
| | | | '92' | L | T-L pair for parameter p |
| | | | '93' | L | T-L pair for parameter q |
| | | | '94' | L | T-L pair for parameter 1/q mod p |
| | | | '95' | L | T-L pair for parameter d mod (p - 1) |
| | | | '96' | L | T-L pair for parameter d mod (q - 1) |
| | | | '9E' | L | T-L pair to indicate a digital signature |

Table C.9 — Data field of the PUT DATA command

| | | | | |
|--------|---|--|---|--|
| '4D' | L | Extended header list | | |
| | | 'A8' | L | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification |
| | | 'B6' | L | T-L pair to indicate a DST |
| | | '84' | L | T-L pair to indicate a key reference to SK.CH.DS |
| | | '7F48' | L | T-L pair to indicate a private key data object |
| | | '92' | L | T-L pair for parameter p |
| | | '93' | L | T-L pair for parameter q |
| | | '94' | L | T-L pair for parameter 1/q mod p |
| | | '95' | L | T-L pair for parameter d mod (p-1) |
| | | '96' | L | T-L pair for parameter d mod (q-1) |
| | | '9E' | L | T-L pair to indicate a digital signature |
| '5F48' | L | Concatenation of the key parameter data elements according to the extended header list. Data elements that are associated to filler tags '00' in the extended header list are read, but ignored. | | |
| '9E' | L | Digital signature | | |

Table C.10 — Extended header list describing the ECDSA private key object

| | | | | |
|------|---|----------------------|---|--|
| '4D' | L | Extended header list | | |
| | | 'A8' | L | T-L pair to indicate a template for digital signature verification |
| | | 'B6' | L | T-L pair to indicate a DST |
| | | '84' | L | T-L pair to indicate a key reference of private key |
| | | '7F48' | L | T-L pair to indicate a private key data object |
| | | '92' | L | private key |
| | | '06' | L | OID (optional) |
| | | '9E' | L | T-L pair to indicate a digital signature |

C.2.2 Example of private key import under secure conditions

Alternatively to the private key import where the BER-TLV empty structure of the key is delivered to the card along with key value and related signed data elements, this subclause describes a payload example incorporating the key parameters values directly within their DO structure.

Table C.11 — Example of PUT DATA payload for private key import

| | | | | |
|--------------------|------|--|------|-------------------------|
| 'A4' or 'B6' | '03' | Key usage: Authentication template ('A4') or Digital Signature template ('B6') | | |
| | | '84' | '01' | Key ID |
| '7F48' | L | RSA private key data objects | | |
| | | '92' | L | parameter p |
| | | '93' | L | parameter q |
| | | '94' | L | parameter 1/q mod p |
| | | '95' | L | parameter d mod (p - 1) |
| | | '96' | L | parameter d mod (q - 1) |

Annex D (informative)

Alternatives to achieve the reversible change of security context

D.1 Alternatives explanation

In addition to the use of logical channels to switch reversely the security context, further alternatives may be used as follows.

- a) During a secured session, the ICC receives from a first off-card entity an MSE SET command with a CRT containing a further DO'E0' or 'E1' which is a private class tag intended respectively to instruct the ICC application about
- the references of the dynamic data generated during the running course of the transaction with the current security environment, e.g. session keys, send sequence counter and that should be saved i.e. maintained by the ICC in volatile or non-volatile memory so that to be recovered and re-used later (template 'E0');
 - the security context that should be established next through the references provided in the CRT, e.g. Algorithm identifier (DO'80'), key identifier as DO'83' or '84' (template 'E1').

Once such MSE SET with a CRT containing 'E0' is received by the ICC, the ICC turns ready to expect an incoming command from a second off-card entity that is assumed to initiate a secure channel according the security context established by the previous MSE SET.

Once the transaction is ended with the second off-card entity and the secure context needs to reverse to its former situation, the second off-card entity sends a MSE SET command containing the template 'E1'.

Upon reception of such MSE SET command containing the template 'E1', the ICC should expect from the first off-card entity to resume the secure transaction that was temporarily held on, with the same dynamic data, e.g. session keys, send sequence counter, etc. Accordingly, from now on, as soon as an incoming command is received, it should be processed by the ICC application with the cryptographic secrets shared/involved with the first off-card entity, thus assuming this off-card entity is resuming the transaction. To this end, the ICC should recover the dynamic data stored at first step, i.e. when MSE SET with CRT nesting DO'E0' was performed.

DO'E0' and DO'E1' may nest context-specific DO for which the interpretation is application-specific, e.g. the identifier of the session context assigned by the local terminal.

- b) To achieve the same goal as described in alternative a), this document can rely on existing ISO commands (refer to ISO IEC 7816-4) as follows:
- a SELECT DATA command with a data field as {4F'-L-AID '}{5F'-L-FileID}{4D'-L-'04'{'7B'-'02' {'A4'-'00' }}} pointing as example on a CRT-AT (DO'A4') that occurs in the current SE followed with a PUT DATA command initiating a security context shift with a data field of this kind: {CRT-CC}{CRT-CCT} setting as example the CRT for integrity and confidentiality in the current SE;
 - once such PUT DATA is received by the ICC application, it should behave as indicated in alternative a);
 - once the transaction is ended with the second off-card entity, a PUT DATA command may reverse the security context with a data field of this kind: {CRT-CC initial}{CRT-CCT initial} setting as example the CRTs involved with the second off-card entity to their initial value.

This alternative allows

- referring with the SELECT DATA to a SEID that is not the current one, so meaning that the context shift should be initiated with another security context, and
- setting one or more CRTs at a time (MSE SET supports only one CRT at a time).

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