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## **CHANGE HISTORY**

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Commercial Solutions for Classified (CSfC) Key Management Requirements Annex	1.0	26 June 2018	Initial release of the CSfC Key Management Requirements Annex.
CSfC Key Management Requirements Annex	2.0	29 January 2021	<ul> <li>Updated based on stakeholder feedback to KM Annex v1.0.</li> <li>Relocated MACsec pre-shared symmetric Connectivity Association Keys (CAKs) management requirements to CSfC Symmetric Key Management Requirements Annex.</li> <li>Updated wording in Section 1 to improve clarity.</li> <li>Removed the use of whitelists as an alternative to Certificate Revocation Lists (CRLs) or Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) Responders for certificate revocation checking.</li> <li>Updated requirements to align with CNSS Policy (CNSSP) 25 and CNSS Directive (CNSSD) 506.</li> <li>Updated Appendix B: References</li> <li>Minor administrative changes were made in formatting and punctuation.</li> </ul>



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## 1 KEY MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Commercial Solutions for Classified (CSfC) solutions use asymmetric algorithms, as defined in the Commercial National Security Algorithm (CNSA) Suite, and X.509 certificates for component authentication to establish the Outer and Inner encryption tunnels. Customers protecting long life intelligence data should contact the CSfC Program Management Office (csfc@nsa.gov) for additional details on how symmetric key cryptography can be leveraged in the Capability Packages (CPs).

Each CSfC solution component contains a private authentication key and a corresponding public certificate issued by a trusted Certification Authority (CA). It is preferable for the authentication keys (public/private key pair) to be generated on the solution component, where the private keys are never exported out of the component. If the component cannot generate its own key pair, a dedicated offline management workstation is required to generate the key pair for the component. The public keys are sent in certificate requests to a trusted CA that creates and signs authentication certificates containing the public keys. The authentication certificates are then delivered to, and installed on the solution components during provisioning, along with the private keys if they were not generated on the component.

To provide confidentiality services within CSfC solutions, the components use key agreement protocols (such as Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH)) to generate ephemeral encryption keys. The use of ephemeral encryption keys is not part of key management discussed in this annex.

In CSfC solutions, at least two CAs are used to issue certificates and are deployed on separate machines. One CA (known as the Outer CA) issues certificates to Outer Encryption Components and the other CA (known as the Inner CA) is used to issue certificates to Inner Encryption Components. To ensure that the same certificate cannot be used for authenticating both the Outer and Inner tunnels, the Outer CA and Inner CA are used to validate the Outer Tunnel and Inner Tunnel authentication certificates, respectively. When multiple classified enclaves are used, each enclave will have its own Inner CA, as Inner CAs cannot be shared between multiple classification levels. Additionally, each CSfC solution infrastructure component will have access to revocation status of certificates (e.g., Certificate Revocation List (CRL) or Online Certificate Status Protocol (OSCP)). All certificates issued by the Outer and Inner CAs for the Solution are Non-Person Entity (NPE) certificates, except in the case when a Mobile Access (MA) Transport Layer Security (TLS) EUD requires a user certificate for the Inner TLS tunnel.

The CAs that issue authentication certificates to CSfC solution components operate either as Enterprise CAs (i.e., NSS Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), National Security Agency (NSA) Key Management Infrastructure (KMI), Intelligence Community (IC) PKI), Department/Agency-level Non-Person Entity (NPE) Only Locally Trusted (OLT) CAs, or locally-run CAs. Existing Enterprise CAs should be used whenever possible, as the advantages for using these CAs outweigh those associated with locally-run CAs. However, Enterprise CAs that operate on or are accessible via the Black Network are not permitted to be used in CSfC solutions. CNSSP 25 is the governing policy and CNSSD 506 is the governing directive





for PKI solutions in support of CSfC solutions protecting networks operating at the Secret level (typically the red network of the solution).

Enterprise CAs have established operations, as well as Certificate Policies and Certification Practice Statements (CPSs) that customer organizations can leverage for their CSfC solution. These Enterprise CAs operate at Federal Department and Agency levels (e.g., NSS PKI, KMI, IC PKI), and offer wide-scale interoperability across Department and Agency networks and CSfC solutions (i.e., the certificate policies and their registered policy Object Identifiers (OIDs) are widely accepted across Federal Departments or Agencies). These types of Enterprise solutions, leverage Department/Agency-level trusted CAs that reside under the same Root CA. Enterprise CAs can be used in multiple CSfC solutions throughout Federal Departments or Agencies, thereby providing certificate trust interoperability across those CSfC solutions. A user with a CSfC EUD provisioned with certificates from an Enterprise CA could use their EUD in many different CSfC solutions deployed throughout Federal Departments or Agencies. CSfC solutions utilizing Enterprise CAs install the Issuing CA and Root CA certificates into solution components so that a trusted certificate chain is established between the component certificate and the trusted Root CA certificate.

Departments and Agencies can also deploy Non-Person Entity (NPE) Only Locally Trusted (OLT) CAs to support the need to issue certificates to NPEs that will only be trusted within the Department/Agency network. NPE OLT CAs can be operated as standalone systems or can be part of a Department/Agency NPE OLT PKI.

CSfC solutions can also deploy and operate their own locally-run CAs for closed operational networks that are independent of any Enterprise CAs. In this configuration, certificate policy and interoperability are constrained to the specific CSfC solution. Furthermore, the CSfC solution owner is required to develop and maintain CPSs that detail the operational procedures for the locally-run CAs. In addition, the customer may need to develop and maintain a higher-level Certificate Policy if one does not already exist.<sup>1</sup> Table 1 summarizes the differences between Enterprise and locally-run CAs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CNSSP 25 is the governing policy for PKI solutions in support of Secret CSfC solutions. For CSfC solutions that are higher than Secret, the CSfC solution owner is required to develop a Certificate Policy that is approved by the local Approving Official (AO).





**Table 1. Certificate Authority Deployment Options** 

СА Туре	Certificate Policy/ Certification Practice Statement	Interoperability	Operations
Enterprise CAs	Owned and managed by the Enterprise PKI (e.g., NSS PKI, NSA KMI, IC PKI)	Across Department and Agency networks	Performed by the Enterprise PKI and Departments/Agencies
Department/	Owned and managed at	Constrained to a	Performed by the
Agency-level Non-	the Department or	Department or	Department or Agency
Person Entity (NPE)	Agency level	Agency network	
Only Locally Trusted			
(OLT) CAs			
Locally-run (Non-	Owned and managed at	Constrained to a CSfC	Performed by the CSfC
Enterprise) CAs	the CSfC solution level	solution	solution owner

In all CA configurations identified above, Outer CAs issue and manage authentication certificates for Outer Encryption Components and Gray Management Service Components; Inner CAs issue and manage authentication certificates for Inner Encryption Components and Red Management Service Components. Outer CAs can be included as either part of the Gray Network or Red Network. If the solution supports multiple classified enclaves the Outer CA is either located in the Gray Management Network or in the Red Network of the highest classified enclave. Inner CAs can only be located in the Red Network.

For CSfC solutions that deploy central management in accordance with the *CSfC Enterprise Gray Implementation Requirements Annex*, the Gray Firewall (used as the Inner VPN Gateway for the management plane) uses a certificate issued by a different CA than the Inner CA for authentication. The Gray Firewall and the Outer Encryption Component can both use certificates issued by the same Outer CA for authentication.

The CAs communicate with management services (i.e., Device Managers (DMs)) deployed in the corresponding network to support enrollment and life-cycle certificate management for CSfC solution components. Outer and Inner CAs in the Red Network are limited to directly communicating with Red Management Services. Outer CAs in the Gray Network are limited to directly communicating with Gray Management Services. When the CA is not located in the same network as the Management Services, an Authorizing Official (AO)-approved method (e.g., CDS) can be used allowing indirect communication (for example Certificate Enrollment). The Red and Gray Management Services enable the certificate request/response process between a CSfC solution component and a CA.

An out-of-band method is used to issue the initial certificates to the solution components. Subsequent rekeying, however, can take place over the network through the solution prior to the current key's expiration (see Section 2 for additional details regarding over-the-network remote certificate rekey). The key validity period for certificates issued by locally run CAs does not exceed 12 months for EUDs and 24 months for Solution Infrastructure Components, while the key validity period for certificates issued by



an Enterprise CA are inherited from the Enterprise CA certificate policy. Updates to CRLs are distributed to Outer and Inner Infrastructure Encryption components within 24 hours of CRL issuance.

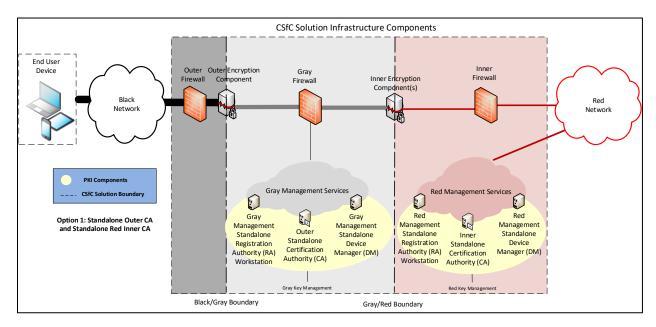


Figure 1. Standalone Outer CA and Standalone Inner CA

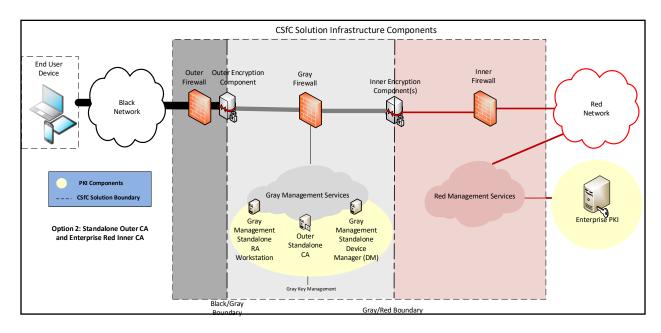


Figure 2. Standalone Outer CA and Enterprise PKI Inner CA



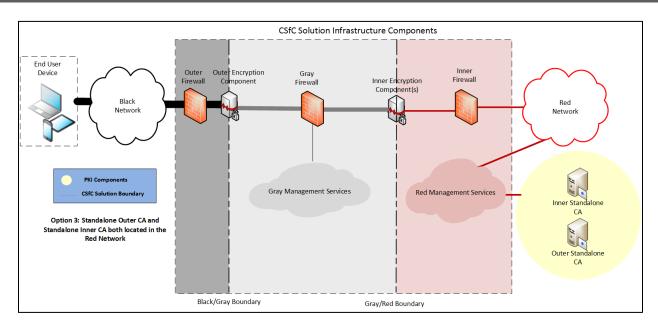


Figure 3. Standalone Outer CA and Standalone Inner CA both located in the Red Network

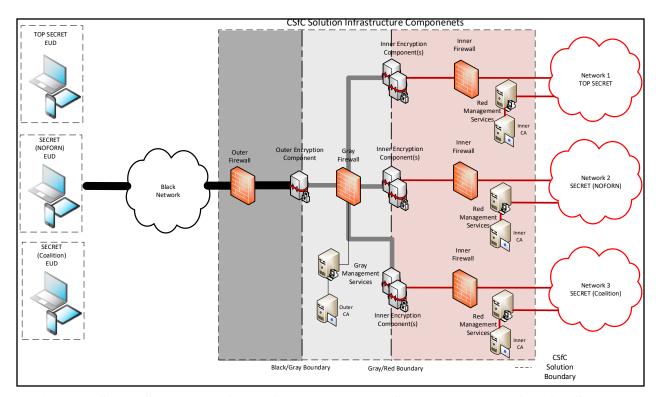


Figure 4. Single Standalone Outer CA with Multiple Standalone Inner CAs for Solution with Networks Operating at Different Classification Levels



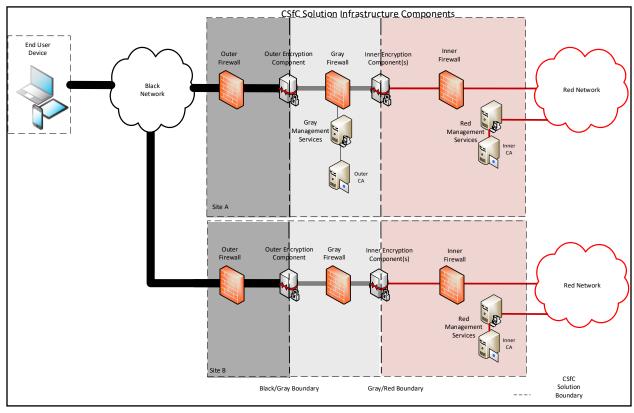


Figure 5. Single Standalone Outer Gray CA with Multiple Standalone Inner CAs for Multiple Sites

#### 1.1 CERTIFICATE REVOCATION CHECKING

CRLs are used by CAs to convey the revocation status of certificates issued by those CAs, and those CRLs need to be made available to the CSfC solution components.

A CRL Distribution Point (CDP) is a web server whose sole function is to provide external distribution of, and access to CRLs issued by CAs. CDPs do not serve any other content, and, in particular, do not host any dynamically generated content. CDPs also do not provide any other services other than the distribution of CRLs. CDPs are optional in a CSfC solution, and they can exist in the Gray and/or Red Networks. Alternatives to CDPs include Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) Responders and locally-stored or cached CRLs.

The Outer Encryption Component in the solution infrastructure accesses an Outer CDP, located in the Gray Network, to obtain CRLs and check revocation status of other Outer Encryption Components, and EUDs when applicable, prior to establishing the Outer encryption tunnel. Furthermore, a CDP operating in the Gray Network can be accessed by Gray Management Services Components to obtain CRLs and check the revocation status of the Outer Encryption Component's certificate prior to establishing a device management tunnel with the Outer Encryption Component.



Additionally, the CSfC CPs allow for an Inner CDP to be located within the Gray Management Services Network. Placing an Inner CDP in the Gray Management Network allows EUDs to check the certificate status of the Inner Encryption Component prior to establishing a tunnel. To use an Inner CDP in the Gray Management Network, an AO determines that CRLs generated by the Inner CA are unclassified. These CRLs are moved from the Red Network to the Gray Management Network using an AO approved method (e.g., CDS).

Inner Encryption Components access an Inner CDP, located in the Red Network, to obtain CRLs and check revocation status of other Inner Encryption Components, and EUDs when applicable, prior to establishing the Inner encryption tunnel. Likewise, a CDP operating in the Red Network can be accessed by Red Management Services Components to obtain CRLs and check the revocation status of the Inner Encryption Component's certificate prior to establishing a device management tunnel with the Inner Encryption Component.

An Outer CDP and an Outer CA can reside on the same or different networks. For example, the Outer CA can operate in the Red Network, while the Outer CDP operates in the Gray Network. If they reside on different networks, an AO approved method (e.g., CDS) is needed to periodically distribute the current CRI from the CA to the CDP.

CRLs are downloaded by CSfC solution components over unencrypted Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP). A CRL's integrity is protected by the digital signature of the issuing CA, and additional integrity protection during CRL download is not required. Placement of CDPs on the Gray Network for the Outer Encryption Component and Red Network for Inner Encryption Components reduces the exposure to external threat actors.

To provide redundancy and ensure that current CRLs are always made available to CSfC solution components, multiple Outer and Inner CDPs can be deployed. The use of multiple CDPs is left to the discretion of the CSfC solution owner. Furthermore, CDPs can host partition or delta CRLs in addition to complete CRLs. In large CSfC solutions, the use of partition or delta CRLs can reduce the amount of network traffic needed to distribute updates to CRLs. A CA's Certificate Policy will define whether the use of partition or delta CRLs is permissible.

OCSP Responders or locally-stored/cached CRLs can be used in lieu of CDP Servers. OCSP Responders located in the Gray Network can provide certificate revocation status information to the Outer Encryption Components or to the Authentication Server. Additionally, OCSP Responders in the Red Network can provide certificate revocation status information to Inner Encryption Components.

#### 1.2 WIRELESS KEY AND CERTIFICATE MANAGEMENT

## 1.2.1 MOBILE ACCESS (MA) CP

As discussed in the Black Network section of the MA CP, EUDs can operate over any Black Network when used in conjunction with a Government-owned Retransmission Device (RD) or a physically separate Dedicated Outer VPN to establish the Outer IPsec Tunnel. When the RD or Dedicated Outer VPN is





wirelessly connected to an EUD using Wi-Fi, the Wi-Fi network must implement Wi-Fi Protected Access II (WPA2) with Pre-Shared Key (PSK).

For WPA2 with PSKs, a common PSK with at least 256 bits of security needs to be securely generated, distributed, and installed onto both the EUD and the external Dedicated Outer VPN device or RD. Exposure of the PSK in red form needs to be minimized to the greatest extent possible and only exposed to authorized and trusted personnel responsible for managing and installing the PSK onto the EUD and external Dedicated Outer VPN or RD. Updates to the PSK are to be performed periodically based upon the threat environment. The higher the threat environment, the more often the PSK should be updated.

## 1.2.2 CAMPUS WIRELESS LOCAL AREA NETWORK (WLAN) CP

Since the Campus Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN) CP relies on WPA2 Enterprise for the Outer Encryption tunnel, the EUD will require an EAP-TLS certificate. This certificate is issued by the Outer CA. Issuance of the WPA2 Enterprise certificate should be integrated into the overall provisioning process for the EUD described in the EUD Provisioning section of the CPs. For the WLAN CP, revocation status information for EAP-TLS certificates issued to EUDs also needs to be made available in the Gray Network so that the WPA2 Enterprise authentication server can check the revocation status of EUD EAP-TLS certificates (see Section 1.1 for additional details regarding distribution of certificate revocation lists).

### 2 REMOTE REKEY OF COMPONENT CERTIFICATES

If a solution component is capable of generating its own public/private key pairs and can communicate with the Outer or Inner CAs using Enrollment over Secure Transport (EST), as defined in Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) RFC 7030, the solution component can have its device certificates remotely rekeyed, as opposed to physically returning the solution component to the provisioning environment as described in the provisioning section of the CPs. EST requires a TLS connection to a trusted server, so that the CA can authenticate a solution component prior to issuing new certificates. A solution component would need to establish a separate TLS tunnel to the Outer CA or Inner CA after establishing the Outer and Inner encryption tunnels.

Once authenticated to the Outer CA or Inner CA, the solution component generates a new public/private key pair. The newly generated public key is placed into a new certificate request in accordance with RFC 7030. The certificate request is then submitted to the Outer CA or Inner CA for processing using EST. The CA validates that the certificate requests came from a valid and authenticated solution component, processes the certificate request, and returns a newly signed certificate containing the new public key to the solution component. The solution component then receives and installs the newly rekeyed certificate. All CSfC EST implementations use CNSA TLS 1.2 (or a later version) certificate-based authentication.

It should be noted that the exact sequence for certificate rekey will vary based on the solution component's implementation of EST. For example, one certificate rekey with one of the CAs may need to be performed first, followed by the second certificate rekey with the other CA.





## 3 KEY MANAGEMENT GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements apply to all CSfC CPs unless the requirement number identifies a specific CP that the requirement applies to (e.g., WLAN-KM-1 only applies to the WLAN CP).

## 3.1 PKI GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

**Table 2. PKI General Requirements** 

Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-1	All public keys and certificates must be treated as determined by the AO.	T=O	
KM-2	Outer CAs must provide services through either the Gray or Red Network.	T=0	
KM-3	Inner CAs must provide services through the Red Network.	T=0	
KM-4	Locally-run Inner CAs must be physically separate from locally-run Outer CAs.	T=O	
KM-5	All certificates issued by the Outer and Inner CAs for the Solution must be Non-Person Entity (NPE) certificates, except in the case when a MA TLS EUD requires a user certificate for the Inner TLS tunnel.	T=0	
KM-6	All certificates issued by the Outer and Inner CAs for the solution must be used for authentication only.	T=0	
KM-7	Trusted personnel must be used for administrative access to the CAs.	Т	KM-15
KM-8	All certificate profiles for the Outer and Inner CAs for the solution must comply with IETF RFC 5280 and IETF RFC 8603.	T=0	
KM-9	All private keys must be classified as determined by the AO and compliant with CNSSI 4005.	T=O	
KM-10	The key sizes and algorithms for CA certificates and authentication certificates issued to Outer Encryption Components, Inner Encryption Components, and Administrative Device Components must be as specified in CNSSP 15.	T=O	
KM-11	Outer and Inner CAs must not have access to private keys used in the Solution Components.	T=O	
KM-12	Private keys associated with on-line (i.e., CA is network-accessible), Outer and Inner CAs must be protected using Hardware Security Modules (HSMs) validated to Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2 Level 2.	T=0	
KM-13	Outer and Inner CAs must operate in compliance with a Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement that is formatted in accordance with IETF RFC 3647 and NIST IR 7924.	T=0	
KM-14	CAs must run anti-virus software.	T=O	



Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-15	Trusted personnel under two-person integrity (TPI) procedures must be used for administrative access to the CAs.	0	KM-7
KM-16	If multiple Red enclaves exist in the Solution and the Outer CA resides in the Red Network, the Outer CA must reside in the Red Network with the highest classification level.	T=O	
KM-17	Certificate Management Services for the inner tunnel must be provided through the Red Network.	T=O	
KM-18	Certificate Management Services for the outer tunnel must be provided through either the Gray Network or Red Network.	T=O	
KM-19	Withdrawn		
KM-20	If the Certificate Management Services operate at the same security level as a Red Network, a Controlled Interface must be used to control information flow between the Certificate Management Services and the Red Network.	T=O	
KM-21	If the Certificate Management Services operate at a different security level than a Red Network or Gray Network, a CDS Controlled Interface must be used to control information flow between the Certificate Management Services and the Red Network or Gray Network.	T=O	
KM-22	Copies of CA's own private keys must only be made using AO-approved procedures to support CA continuity of operations and disaster recovery (i.e., backups of private keys or HSMs).	T=O	

## 3.2 CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE REQUIREMENTS

**Table 3. Certificate Issuance Requirements** 

Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-23	EUDs, Outer Components, Inner Components, and Gray and Red Management Services Components must be initially keyed and loaded with certificates using an out-of-band process within a physical environment certified to protect the highest classification level of the solution network.	T=0	
KM-24	Private keys for EUDs, Outer Components, Inner Components and Gray and Red Management Services Components must never be escrowed.	T=O	



Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-25	Outer and Inner CAs must use Public Key Cryptographic Standard (PKCS) #10 and PKCS#7 to receive certificate signing requests and issue authentication certificates, respectively, to EUDs, Outer Components, Inner Components, and Gray and Red Management Services Components.	T=0	
KM-26	If EUDs cannot generate their own key pairs, a dedicated offline management workstation must be used to generate the key pairs and PKCS#12 must be used for installing certificates and their corresponding private keys to EUDs.	T=O	
KM-27	PKCS#12 files must be securely distributed and use random passwords with a minimum length as defined in the <i>CSfC Data-At-Rest (DAR) CP</i> Appendix D.	T=0	
KM-28	If EUDS do not require their key pairs to be generated on a dedicated offline management workstation, Red and Gray Management Services must use PKCS#7 for installing certificates to EUDs.	T=0	
KM-29 KM-30	Withdrawn  Certificate signing requests must be submitted to the CA by an authorized Registration Authority (RA) and in accordance with the CA's Certificate Policy and CPS. The Solution Owner must identify	T=O	
KM-31	the authorized Registration Authorities.  Outer and Inner CAs must issue certificates in accordance with their Certificate Policies and CPSs.	T=O	
KM-32	Certificate Policies and CPSs for non-Enterprise, locally-run CAs must ensure the CAs issue certificates within a defined and limited name space and assert:  • Unique Distinguished Names (DNs)  • Appropriate key usages  • A registered certificate policy OID  • A registered certificate policy OID is not required if all of the following are true:  • The certificates are limited to the specific customer's solution. That is, they are not part of an enterprise solution with multiple customers.  • The certificates only apply to a single security domain (e.g., Secret).  • There is only one certificate type (e.g., device, not user).  • There is only one issuance process described in the CP/CPS.	T=O	



Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-33	If using CDPs, Inner and Outer CAs must assert at least one CRL CDP Uniform Resource Locater (URL) in certificates issued to EUDs, Outer components, Inner Components, and Gray and Red Management Services Components. The CDP URL specifies the location of the CAs' CRL Distribution Point.	T=O	
KM-34	The key validity period for certificates issued by non-Enterprise, locally run CAs to End User Devices must not exceed 12 months.	T=0	
KM-35	The key validity period for certificates issued by non-Enterprise, locally run CAs to Solution Infrastructure Components must not exceed 24 months.	T=O	
KM-36	Inner CAs must only issue certificates to Inner Components and Red Network Components of the Solution.	T=O	
KM-37	Outer CAs must only issue certificates to Outer Encryption Components and Gray Network Components of Solutions.	T=O	
KM-38	Withdrawn		
KM-39	Certificates issued to Outer VPN Gateways must assert the IP address of the Outer VPN gateway in either the Common Name field of the Distinguished Name, or the Subject Alternative Name certificate extension.	0	None
KM-40	The Inner Encryption Component must only trust the Inner CA used for its network.	T=O	
KM-41	Outer Encryption Components must only trust the Outer CA used within the solution.	T=0	
KM-42	Withdrawn		
KM-43	The CSfC solution owner must identify authorized RAs to approve certificate requests.	Т	KM-44
KM-44	RAs must use multi-factor authentication to approve certificate requests.	0	KM-43
KM-45	For CSfC solutions that deploy central management in accordance with the CSfC Enterprise Gray Implementation Requirements Annex, the Gray Firewall (used as the Inner VPN Gateway for the management plane) must use a certificate issued by a different CA than the Inner CA for authentication.	Enterprise Gray Annex Implemented: T=O  Enterprise Gray Annex Not Implemented: N/A	
KM-46	When multiple classified enclaves are used, each enclave must have its own separate Inner CA, as Inner CAs cannot be shared between multiple classification levels.	T=0	



## 3.3 CERTIFICATE REKEY REQUIREMENTS

**Table 4. Certificate Rekey Requirements** 

Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-47	Certificate rekey should occur prior to a certificate expiring. If rekey occurs after a certificate expires, then the initial certificate issuance process must be used to rekey the certificate.	T=O	
KM-48	Certificate rekey must be performed in accordance with the CA's Certificate Policy and CPS.	T=O	
KM-49	Inner and Outer CAs must receive certificate signing requests and issue rekeyed authentication certificates to Solution Components using PKCS#10 and PKCS#7, respectively, through an out-of-band process.	Т	KM-50
KM-50	Inner and Outer CAs must support over-the- network rekey of authentication certificates to Solution Components using EST (IETF RFC 7030 using CNSA TLS 1.2 (or a later version) certificate- based authentication).	0	KM-49

## 3.4 CERTIFICATE REVOCATION AND CDP REQUIREMENTS

**Table 5. Certificate Revocation and CDP Requirements** 

Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-51	Inner and Outer CAs must revoke a certificate issued to Solution Components when the binding between the subject information and public key within the certificate issued is no longer considered valid.	T=O	
KM-52	Inner and Outer CAs must make certificate revocation information available in the form of CRLs signed by the CAs.	T=O	
KM-53	CRLs must be X.509 v2 CRLs as defined in ITU-T Recommendation X.509.	T=O	
KM-54	CRL profiles must comply with IETF RFC 5280 and IETF RFC 8603.	T=O	
KM-55	Procedures for requesting certificate revocation must comply with the CA's Certificate Policy and Certification Practices Statement.	T=O	



Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-56	Certificate Policies and CPSs for non-Enterprise,	T=O	
	locally run CAs must ensure revocation procedures		
	address the following:		
	Response for a lost, stolen or compromised     EUD		
	Removal of a revoked infrastructure device		
	(e.g., VPN Gateway) from the network		
	Re-establishment of a Solution Component		
	whose certificate was revoked		
	<ul> <li>Revocation of certificates due to compromise of a EUD</li> </ul>		
	Revocation of an authentication certificate if		
	simultaneous use of the certificate is detected		
	from different IP Addresses		
KM-57	Inner and Outer CAs must make CRLs available to	Т	KM-63
	authorized CRL Distribution Points (CDPs), so that		
	the CRLs can be accessed by Solution Components.		
KM-58	Enterprise CAs must create and publish CRLs in	T=O	
	accordance with the Enterprise CAs' Certificate		
	Policies and CPSs.		
KM-59	Non-enterprise, locally-run CAs must publish new	T=O	
1/N 4 CO	CRLs at least once every 30 days.	T 0	
KM-60	Non-enterprise, locally-run CAs must publish a new CRL within one hour of a certificate being revoked.	T=O	
KM-61	Solution Infrastructure Components must have	T=O	
KIVI-OI	access to new certificate revocation information	1-0	
	within 24 hours of the CA publishing a new CRL.		
KM-62	Non-enterprise, locally run CAs must ensure that	T=O	
KIVI OZ	new CRLs are published at least 7 days prior to the	1-0	
	next update date of the current CRLs.		
KM-63	The Solution must provide certificate revocation	0	KM-57
	status information via an Online Certificate Status		
	Protocol (OCSP) Server on the Red and Gray		
	Networks that is compliant with IETF RFC 6960.		
KM-64	Certificate revocation status messages delivered	T=O	
	by an OCSP server must be digitally signed and		
	compliant with IETF RFC 6960.		
KM-65	Withdrawn		
KM-66	If OCSP Responders are used, Inner CAs must	T=O	
	assert the Authority Information Access certificate		
	extension and include the list of URLs identifying		
	the Inner OCSP Responders from which Inner VPN		
	Gateways can request and receive OCSP		
	revocation status responses.		



Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
KM-67	If OCSP Responders are used, Outer CAs must assert the Authority Information Access certificate extension and include the list of URLs identifying the Outer OCSP Responders from which Outer VPN Gateways can request and receive OCSP revocation status responses.	T=O	
KM-68	CRLs hosted by CDPs must be compliant with IETF RFC 5280 and RFC 8603.	T=O	
KM-69	CRLs hosted on Inner CDPs must be signed by the associated Inner CA.	T=O	
KM-70	CRLs hosted on Outer CDPs must be signed by the associated Outer CA.	T=O	
KM-71	CDPs and OCSP Responders must only issue CRLs and OCSP responses, respectively, to relying parties over port 80 (HTTP).	T=0	
KM-72	CRLs must be transferred via an AO approved method (e.g., CDS) from Inner CAs to associated Inner CDP servers and/or Inner OCSP Responders.	T=O	
KM-73	CRLs must be transferred via an AO approved method (e.g., CDS) from Outer CAs to associated Outer CDP servers and/or Outer OCSP Responders.	T=0	
KM-74	Newly issued CRLs must be transferred to CDP servers and/or OCSP Responders at least 4 days prior to the next update date of the current CRLs.	T=O	
KM-75	Solution Encryption Components must attempt to download the latest CRL from a CDP or an OCSP response from an OCSP Responder at least once every 24 hours.	T=0	
KM-76	Withdrawn		
KM-77	CDPs and OCSP Responders must only accept management traffic over TLS 1.2 (or later version) or Secure Shell (SSH)v2.	T=0	
KM-78	CDPs and OCSP Responders must only accept connections from authorized Solution Components or Administration Workstation addresses or address ranges.	T=0	
KM-79	If an integrity check of a CRL or OCSP response received from a CDP or OCSP response fails, then Solution Components must use the current cached CRL or OCSP response.	T=0	
KM-80	If a CDP is offline or contains an invalid CRL, then Inner and Outer Solution Component CRLs must be manually updated prior to the expiration of the current cached CRLs.	T=0	
KM-81	CDPs and OCSP Responders must not provide any other services other than the distribution of CRLs.	T=O	



## 3.5 WIRELESS PRE-SHARED KEY (WPSK) REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements apply to the MA CP using a Retransmission Device and/or Dedicated Outer VPN with wireless connectivity.

Table 6. Wireless Pre-Shared Key (WPSK) Requirements

Req#	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
MA-KM-1	WPSKs used must be 256 bits.	T=O	
MA-KM-2	WPSKs must be generated by NSA-approved solutions.	T=O	
MA-KM-3	WPSKs must be distributed to, and installed on CSfC devices in a manner that minimizes the exposure of the red WPSK to the greatest extent possible.	T=0	
MA-KM-4	WPSKs must be periodically updated based on the threat environment. The higher the threat environment, the more often the PSKs are to be updated. At a minimum, WPSKs must be updated once per year.	T=O	
MA-KM-5	A WPSK must be updated on all CSfC devices that use the WPSK as soon as practically possible if the WPSK is considered or suspected to be compromised.	T=0	
MA-KM-6	If a WPSK is considered or suspected to be compromised, the solution components must not accept traffic from devices using that WPSK until a new WPSK is provisioned.	T=0	

## 3.6 CAMPUS WLAN CP KEY MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements apply to the WLAN CP.

Table 7. Campus WLAN CP Key Management Requirements

Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
WLAN-KM-1	The Outer CA must issue certificates to the WLAN Authentication Server that contains the TLS Web Server Authentication OID (1.3.6.1.5.5.7.3.1) in the ExtendedKeyUsage certificate extension.	T=O	
WLAN-KM-2	The Outer CA must issue certificates to the WLAN Client that contains the TLS Web Client Authentication (OID 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.3.2) ExtendedKeyUsage certificate extension.	T=O	

## 3.7 MACSEC KEY MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENT

The following requirement applies to the MSC CP when the MACsec protocol is used.



## **Table 8. MACsec Key Management Requirement**

Req #	Requirement Description	Threshold / Objective	Alternative
MSC-KM-1	Enterprise or local Connectivity Association Key (CAK) management, including key generation and distribution, must follow an NSA-approved symmetric key management procedure. See the CSfC Symmetric Key Management Requirements Annex for additional guidance and requirements.	T=O	



## **APPENDIX A. ACRONYMS**

Acronym	Meaning
AO	Authorizing Official
CA	Certification Authority
CAK	Connectivity Association Key
CDP	CRL Distribution Point
CDS	Cross Domain Solution
CEK	CAK Encryption Key
CKN	Connectivity Association Key Name
CNSA	Commercial National Security Algorithm
CNSS	Committee on National Security Systems
CNSSI	Committee on National Security Systems Instruction
CNSSP	Committee on National Security Systems Policy
СР	Capability Package
CPS	Certification Practice Statement
CRL	Certificate Revocation List
CSfC	Commercial Solutions for Classified
CUI	Controlled Unclassified Information
DAR	Data-At-Rest
DM	Device Management
DN	Domain Name
ECDH	Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman
EAP	Extensible Authentication Protocol
EST	Enrollment Over Secure Transport
EUD	End User Device
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standards
HSM	Hardware Security Module
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
IETF	Internet Engineering Task Force
IPsec	Internet Protocol Security
KGS	Key Generation Solution
KM	Key Management
KMI	Key Management Infrastructure
MA	Mobile Access
MACsec NPE	Media Access Control Security
	Non-Person Entity  National Security Agency
NSA	
NSS	National Security Systems Objective
O OCSP	Online Certificate Status Protocol
OID	Object Identifier
OS	Operating System
PKCS	Public Key Cryptographic Standard
PKI	Public Key Infrastructure
PSK	Pre-shared Key
RFC	Request for Comment
SSH	Secure Shell
SSHv2	Secure Shell Version 2
JJ11VZ	Secure Shell Version 2



Acronym	Meaning
T	Threshold
TLS	Transport Layer Security
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
VPN	Virtual Private Network
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network
WPA2	Wi-Fi Protected Access II



## **APPENDIX B. REFERENCES**

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CNSSD 506	CNSS Directive (CNSSD) 506, National Directive to Implement Public Key Infrastructure on Secret Networks	January 2019
CNSSI 1300	CNSSI 1300, National Security Systems Public Key Infrastructure X.509 Certificate Policy	December 2014
CNSSI 4009	CNSSI 4009, Committee for National Security Systems (CNSS) Glossary	April 2015
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CNSSP 11	CNSS Policy (CNSSP) Number 11, National Policy Governing the Acquisition of Information Assurance (IA) and IA-Enabled Information Technology Products	June 2013
CNSSP 15	CNSS Policy (CNSSP) Number 15, National Policy on the Use of Public Standards for Secure Information Sharing	October 2016
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## APPENDIX C. SAMPLE STRUCTURE FOR A KEY AND CERTIFICATE MANAGEMENT PLAN (KCMP)

The following sample structure may be used to develop a KCMP for a locally operated KGS. The KCMP is required for CSfC solutions that use a symmetric Key Generation Solution (KGS) to generate and manage Pre-shared Keys (PSKs).

TITLE: Key and Certificate Management Plan for Pre-Shared Keys used in Support of <CSfC Customer Solution>

## **SECTION 1: Introduction**

#### This section identifies:

- The document as a KCMP for managing PSKs for the customer's CSfC solution.
- The type of CSfC solution (e.g., Mobile Access, Campus WLAN, Multi-site Connectivity), and which security tunnel(s) will use PSKs.
- The rationale for using PSKs in the CSfC solution.

## SECTION 2: CSfC Solution Overview

#### This section:

- Provides an overview of the CSfC solution, to include a diagram of the solution architecture that depicts the KGS in relation to the other CSfC components.
- Identifies whether an enterprise or locally operated KGS is used.
- Identifies the types and sizes of PSKs that will be generated by the KGS and used within the CSfC solution (this will typically be 256 bits for use with the AES algorithm).
- Provides a general overview of the key management concept for PSKs and the entities involved (both solution components and humans).

## SECTION 3: Key Management Plan

This section addresses the specifics of the key management plan for PSKs<sup>2</sup>. Diagrams showing information flows for PSK management functions are strongly encouraged throughout each section of the KCMP.

#### 3.1 Roles and Responsibilities

This section identifies all roles and responsibilities for performing the PSK management functions identified in the ensuing sections. Roles include the KGS Operator; KGS Administrator; KGS Security Officer; CSfC Device Manager; End User; and any other trusted roles to satisfy the PSK management requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If PSK Encryption Keys (PEKs) are used to protect PSKs during the life-cycle of the PSKs, PEKs are to be addressed as well in the KCMP. The sections in the KCMP apply to PSKs and PEKs.





**KGS Operator** – Responsible for the general operations of the KGS to generate, distribute, manage and account for PSKs.

**KGS Administrator** – Responsible for the system administration of the KGS by ensuring its hardware and software baseline is maintained, and that the KGS is correctly configured to support the required operations.

**KGS Security Officer** – Responsible for ensuring the KGS is securely configured, and for periodically reviewing the audit logs for security critical events and other anomalies.

**CSfC Device Manager** – Responsible for managing the CSfC device that will use PSKs; securely installing PSKs into the CSfC device using TPI procedures defined in this KCMP; accounting for the PSKs installed on the CSfC device; destroying expired and compromised PSKs; and supporting PSK compromise recovery procedures.

Other Trusted Roles – Responsible for assisting KGS operations personnel and CSfC device managers with the secure life-cycle management of PSKs to ensure that no one person at any given time has sole access to plaintext PSKs used in the CSfC solution.

### 3.2 Key Request and Generation

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to request and generate PSKs for CSfC solution components. Specifically, this section addresses:

- Who is authorized to initiate a PSK request and for which CSfC solution component? If multiple CSfC solution components require PSKs, are different requesters used?
- What size PSK is requested and for which algorithm? Typically, the PSK will be 256 bits in support of AES.
- How does the PSK request identify multiple authorized recipients for the PSK? A PSK may need
  to be distributed to two different locations (e.g., VPN sites) that require the same PSK to
  establish a CSfC security tunnel.
- How is the PSK request sent from the requester to the KGS Operator (e.g., electronically, physically)? What is the format for the PSK request? Is it cryptographically protected (e.g., signed, encrypted)?
- How does the KGS Operator verify that the PSK request is authentic and from an authorized requestor? How does the KGS Operator verify that the recipients identified in the PSK request are authorized to receive the PSK?
- How does the KGS generate the PSK using TPI procedures? What is the media (electronic, physical) and specification format for the output containing the PSK?

#### 3.3 Key Distribution and Installation

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to distribute and install PSKs onto CSfC solution components. Specifically, this section addresses:

• How is the PSK output from the KGS secured for distribution to the authorized recipients (e.g., CSfC Device Managers)?





- If the PSK output is encrypted:
  - How is it encrypted? Using a password-based encryption algorithm? Using a pre-placed
     PSK encryption key (PEK)? Using a quantum-resistant key distribution protocol?
  - How are TPI procedures applied to ensure that no one person can decrypt the PSK and recover it in plaintext form?
- If the PSK output is physical and in plaintext:
  - o How is it packaged for secure physical distribution to the authorized recipients?
  - How are TPI procedures applied to ensure that no one person can gain access to the plaintext physical PSK?
- How does the authorized recipient of the PSK verify that the package containing the PSK (electronic or physical) has not been tampered with during distribution from the KGS to the Device Manager?
- How are TPI procedures applied to recover the plaintext PSK (e.g., decrypt, unwrap physical package) for installation into the CSfC solution component?
- How are TPI procedures applied to install the PSK into the CSfC solution component?
- How are TPI procedures applied to destroy all remaining copies of the PSK after it has been installed into the CSfC solution component?
- How are TPI procedures applied to ensure no one person can view or export the PSK in plaintext form after it has been installed on the CSfC solution component?

#### 3.4 Key Update

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to update PSKs for CSfC solution components. Specifically, this section addresses:

- What are the circumstances that require the PSK to be updated (e.g., PSK expiration and regular update, compromise recovery, forced update for some other reason)?
- Under normal operations, how often are PSKs and PEKs updated?
- Is the PSK update process the same as the PSK request and generation process identified in Section 3.2 and 3.3? If not, explain any differences.

### 3.5 Key Compromise Reporting and Recovery

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to report the potential compromise of PSKs and to recover from PSKs deemed to be compromised<sup>3</sup>. Specifically, this section addresses:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Information in this section is taken directly from CNSSI 4003. The term "COMSEC material" in CNSSI 4003 has been replaced with "PSK". In some cases, the language from CNSSI 4003 has been modified to be more applicable to PSKs used in CSfC solutions.





- What are the incidents that may result in the compromise of a PSK? CNSSI 4003, Section VIII, identifies reportable COMSEC incidents, some of which are identified below as being mostly applicable to CSfC solutions<sup>4</sup>:
  - Cryptographic incidents Any product malfunction or human error that adversely affects the security of PSK material. Examples include:
    - Unauthorized exposure of the PSK in plaintext form.
    - Use of expired PSKs.
    - Use of PSKs not generated by an NSA-approved KGS.
    - Use of defective PSKs that result in the transmission of classified information in plaintext form.
  - Personnel incidents Any capture, attempted recruitment, known or suspected control by a hostile intelligence entity; intentional or unintentional exposure of PSK material to an unauthorized person; or unauthorized absence or defection of an individual having knowledge of or access to PSK material. Examples include:
    - Unauthorized disclosure of PSK material (to include unauthorized disclosure of PINs and passwords that are used to protect PSK material).
    - Attempts by unauthorized persons to affect such disclosure.
    - Deliberate falsification of PSK management records (e.g., accounting records).
  - Physical incidents Any loss of control, theft, capture, recovery by salvage, tampering, emergency destruction, unauthorized modification, unauthorized viewing or access, or unauthorized photographing that has the potential to jeopardize PSK material.
     Examples include:
    - Unauthorized access to PSK material, including access by persons who are mistakenly believed to have held appropriate clearances.
    - PSK material discovered outside of required PSK accountability or physical control.
    - Unexplained/undiagnosed zeroization or damage of PSK material.
    - PSK material improperly packaged.
    - PSK material improperly shipped.
    - PSK material received with a damaged inner wrapper.
    - Destruction of PSK material by other than authorized means.
    - Emergency destruction of PSK material.
    - Inadvertent or unintentional destruction or zeroization of PSK material, or destruction without authorization.
    - Evidence that product software configuration has been modified by nonauthorized source or any un-authorized modification or update has taken place.
    - PSK material discovered to not have been destroyed within required time limits.
    - PSK material not completely destroyed as directed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The reportable incidents identified in CNSSI 4003, Section VIII should be reviewed in their entirety to determine those incidents that are applicable to the CSfC solution.





- Actual or attempted unauthorized maintenance (including maintenance by unqualified personnel) or the use of a maintenance procedure that deviates from established standards. [Note: This is applicable to the KGS and to the CSfC devices that use the PSKs.]
- Tampering with or penetration of PSK material.
- Unexplained or unauthorized removal of PSK material from its protective technology.
- Unauthorized copying, reproduction, or photographing of PSK material.
- Loss of TPI or No-Lone Zone for PSK material.
- Failure to perform audit trail management which results in subsequent loss of PSK material or data protected by the PSK material.
- What are the procedures for reporting a potential PSK compromise?
  - O Who is authorized to report a potential PSK compromise?
  - To whom is the PSK compromise report sent? How is the compromise report sent (electronically or physically)?
  - How does the recipient of the PSK compromise report validate its authenticity and that the sender was authorized to submit the report?
  - o Who is authorized to make the decision that a PSK is deemed compromised?
  - How is a compromised PSK reported to the parties that manage the CSfC solution components using the compromised PSK?
- What are the procedures for updating the PSK due to a PSK compromise? Explain any differences from those procedures already identified in sections 3.2 through 3.4.

#### 3.6 Key Backup and Recovery

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to perform backup and recovery of PSKs used in CSfC solutions. Specifically, this section addresses:

- Who is authorized to create backups of PSKs, and for what authorized purposes are the PSK backups required?
- What is the process to request the recovery of a backed up PSK, and how is that request validated to ensure the requester has an authorized need for the backed up PSK?
- Who is authorized to recover a backed up PSK and install it in a CSfC solution component?
- How do the recovery procedures ensure that the integrity of the PSK was maintained since it was originally backed up?
- How are TPI procedures applied to the PSK backup and recovery procedures to ensure no one person has access to the plaintext PSK?

#### 3.7 Key Destruction

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to destroy PSKs (electronically or physically) such that they cannot be used in CSfC solutions. Specifically, this section addresses:





- What are the incidents that results in the destruction of a PSK? Examples include those incidents identified in section 3.5.
- Who is authorized to request the destruction of a PSK, and how is that request validated to ensure the requester is authorized to make such a request?
- Who is authorized to destroy the PSK?
- What means are used to destroy the PSK (electronic and/or physical)?
- What procedures are used to ensure all copies of a PSK are destroyed, especially of those copies exist in different physical locations?

### 3.8 Key Accounting

This section identifies the procedures that will be used to account for PSKs throughout their entire life-cycle. Specifically, this section addresses:

- How does the KGS Operator account for a PSK generated by the KGS? What identifier is used to uniquely identify the PSK (e.g., hash of PSK, manual recording of identifier)?
- How does the KGS Operator account for distribution of PSKs to CSfC Device Managers and other trusted entities, to include acknowledgment of receipt of the PSKs?
- How does a CSfC Device Manager or other trusted entity account for PSKs that are installed in CSfC solution components to support life-cycle management operations such as PSK update and compromise reporting?
- How do the accounting procedures ensure that a compromised or expired PSK is never used?
- How do the accounting procedures ensure that a rogue copy of a destroyed PSK is never used?
- How do the accounting procedures ensure that each PSK within a CSfC solution is identified uniquely?

#### **SECTION 4: References**

This section lists any direct references made in the KCMP, as well as other informative references that assist in understanding the contents of the KCMP.



