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## Part 3: Mechanisms using a universal hash-function

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#### Clause 5

Insert the following paragraph at the end of Clause 5 (after the NOTE):

Annex A defines object identifiers that shall be used to identify the algorithms specified in this document. Annex B provides numerical examples for the algorithms specified in this document, and Annex C gives information on the security properties of these algorithms.

#### 6.5.1

Replace the first sentence with the following:

GMAC can be used with any block cipher from ISO/IEC 18033-3 that has a block length of 128 bits. The resulting MAC is  $t$  bits long, where  $t$  is a multiple of 8 satisfying  $96 \leq t \leq 128$  ( $t = 64$  is also permitted for specialized applications – see 6.5.2).

#### 6.5.2

Replace the second list item with the following:

- The tag length,  $t$ , shall be selected such that  $t$  is a multiple of 8 satisfying  $96 \leq t \leq 128$ . The only permitted exception to this is tag length  $t = 64$ . However, this tag length is only permitted for specialized applications, and should only be used with great care.

NOTE For some voice or video applications, short authentication tags (i.e. where  $t = 64$ ) can be appropriate. In such applications the forgery of some fraction of individual authenticated “packets” can be tolerable, because each packet of data in a large stream can carry very little of the overall meaning. However, even for such applications, short tags can be problematic for GMAC as a result of targeted forgery attacks of the type documented in Appendix B of [9]. Detailed guidance on use of tag length  $t = 64$  is provided in Appendix C of [9].

#### Annex B

Change the title to Numerical examples.

#### Annex B, text and table titles

Change all occurrences of “test vector” to “numerical example”.

*Bibliography*

Change Bibliographic entry [9] to:

- [9] National Institute of Standards and Technology, *NIST Special Publication 800-38D: Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: Galois/Counter Mode (GCM) and GMAC*. November 2007

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