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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

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JSC "Academician M.F. Reshetnev" Information Satellite Systems" has installed 406 MHz Search and Rescue (SAR) repeaters on the Louch-5A meteorological geostationary satellite. The Louch-5A satellite was launched on 11<sup>th</sup> of December 2011 from Baikonur launch site with the interim subsatellite point of 95° E and the final destination of 167° E. The SAR payload on board of Louch-5A is a frequency translation repeater similar to that of MSG.

This instrument will be made available for use in the Cospas-Sarsat GEOSAR system after the completion of initial satellite on-orbit tests. Representing a new part of Cospas-Sarsat GEOSAR, the performance of its SAR instrument needs to be evaluated and reported. In light of this, the Cospas-Sarsat Council expects that Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation programme should be conducted to:

- a. establish Louch GEOSAR / GEOLUT performance; and
- b. validate specification and commissioning requirements for GEOLUTs which operate with the Louch GEOSAR payload.

### **1.1 Purpose of Document**

The purpose of this document is to provide:

- a. test procedures for assessing the performance of GEOLUTs which operate with the Louch SAR instrument;
- b. guidelines for analysing the test results; and
- c. guidelines, procedures and schedule for managing the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation programme and reporting the results.

### **1.2 Background**

From 1996 to 1998 Cospas-Sarsat conducted a demonstration and evaluation programme to determine the suitability of using satellites in geostationary orbit equipped with SAR instruments to process the signals from Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz distress beacons. This programme, hereafter referred to as the GEOSAR D&E, was implemented using the GOES series of satellites provided by the USA, the INSAT-2 satellites provided by India, and experimental ground segment equipment provided by Canada, Chile, India, Spain and the United Kingdom. The GEOSAR D&E demonstrated that GEOSAR satellites provided a significant enhancement to the Cospas-Sarsat system. Following from this conclusion, in October 1998 the Cospas-Sarsat Council decided that the 406 MHz GEOSAR system components should be incorporated into the Cospas-Sarsat System as soon as possible.

During the period that the GEOSAR D&E was being conducted, new GEOSAR repeaters were developed by EUMETSAT and installed on the MSG meteorological geostationary

satellite series. Since the technical characteristics of the MSG SAR instrument were different from SAR instrument on the GOES satellites, additional test were performed to establish MSG GEOSAR/ GEOLUT performance, and any special GEOLUT specifications and commissioning requirements. The results of these tests were approved by Cospas-Sarsat in October 2004.

Following the deployment of a third type of 406 MHz GEOSAR payload onboard INSAT-3A by the Republic of India and the signature of an Understanding between the Cospas-Sarsat Programme and the Republic of India on the provision of Cospas-Sarsat GEOSAR services in February 2007, ISRO conducted an INSAT GEOSAR D&E test campaign including the commissioning of the Bangalore GEOLUT in 2009. The results of INSAT GEOSAR D&E evaluation were approved in October 2009 while the Bangalore GEOLUT was commissioned in early 2010.

In 2011 an Electro GEOSAR performance evaluation test campaign took place following the launch of Electro-L – a Russian geostationary meteorological satellite that carried SAR equipment on board. It was manufactured by the Federal State Unitary Enterprise “Lavochkin Association” and launched on 20<sup>th</sup> February of 2011 by the Russian Federation.

With the deployment of a new 406 MHz GEOSAR payload type on board of Louch satellites by the Russian Federation, there is a need to conduct tests with Cospas-Sarsat GEOLUTs to establish Louch GEOSAR / GEOLUT performance, and any special GEOLUT specification and commissioning requirements. The Cospas-Sarsat Council expects that the Louch performance evaluation programme should be based on the technical series of tests defined in the GEOSAR D&E Plan amended to address anticipated Louch performance.

The administrations of New Zealand, Australia and USA have agreed to participate in the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation programme. USA also announced that they would provide beacon simulator signals for some of the proposed tests. The commissioning of New Zealand GEOLUT is to be performed as part of the Louch performance evaluation test campaign.

The Russian GEOLUT is planned to be deployed in the expected area of Louch-5A coverage zone and may participate in the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation programme, subject to the completion of all on-site tests and performance validation.

### **1.3 Responsibilities**

JSC “Russian space systems” will be responsible for assessing the performance of the Louch SAR payload and will be responsible for confirming the operational status of the SAR payload during the test period.

Operators of GEOSAR ground stations participating in the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation campaign will be responsible for conducting the tests as described herein, and to produce a report in the format specified at Annex A for the consideration of the Cospas-Sarsat Joint Committee.

#### **1.4 Schedule**

The chart in Annex J provides the major milestones of the Louch GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Programme.

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## **2. LOUCH GEOSAR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

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### **2.1 Performance Evaluation Goals**

The goals of the performance evaluation programme are to:

- a. characterize the technical performance of the Louch GEOSAR system and confirm that SAR payload and GEOLUT systems are effective for providing useful 406 MHz alert data; and
- b. validate specification and commissioning requirements for GEOLUTs which will operate with the Louch-5A satellite.

### **2.2 Objectives**

The programme has been subdivided into specific objectives. Each objective is addressed by conducting specific tests and analysing the results. Most of the tests require a beacon simulator whose power output and message content can be controlled and varied. The tests will be conducted over several weeks to collect enough data to provide statistically valid results.

An overview of each objective is listed below, the detailed descriptions of these objectives are provided in section 3.2.

T-1 Processing Threshold, System Margin, and Beacon Message Processing Performance  
Determine the processing threshold, processing performance, system margin and the performance in respect of long format beacon messages for GEOLUTs which operate with the Louch payload. The beacon test signals used to assess these parameters do not include beacon messages that collide with each other.

T-2 Time to Produce Valid and Confirmed Messages  
Determine the statistical distribution of the time required for the GEOLUT to produce valid and confirmed beacon messages. The beacon test signals used to assess this parameter do not include beacon messages which collide with each other.

**T-3 Carrier Frequency Measurement Accuracy**

Determine how accurately the beacon carrier frequency can be determined by the Louch GEOSAR / GEOLUT system. The beacon test signals used to assess this parameter do not include beacon messages which collide with each other.

**T-4 Louch GEOLUT Channel Capacity**

Assess the capability of the GEOSAR system to handle multiple simultaneously active distress beacons in a single 406 MHz channel. This parameter is assessed by generating traffic loads which include beacon messages which collide with each other.

**T-5 Impact of Interference**

Monitor the band for the presence of interference while the tests are being performed, in order to understand any anomalies in the results and to illustrate the ability of the GEOSAR system to provide valid messages in the presence of interference and noise in the frequency bands used by the Louch GEOSAR system.

**T-6 Impact of Interference From LEOSAR Satellites**

Assess the impact of interference from LEOSAR satellite downlink signals on the ability of the GEOLUT to produce valid and confirmed alert messages.

**T-7 Louch GEOLUT Network Performance**

To verify that although at any given time some GEOLUTs may be affected by interference from the LEOSAR system, expected GEOSAR alerts will be reliably provided by other GEOLUTs in the Louch ground segment.

**T-8 Processing Anomalies**

Assess the performance of the GEOLUT in respect of the production of processing anomalies.

**T-9 Louch Coverage**

Estimate the geographic coverage of the Louch GEOSAR system.

**C-1 Commissioning of Louch GEOLUT**

Verify the compliance of Louch GEOLUT (for all Louch performance evaluation test participants that intend to commission their LUTs) to the Cospas-Sarsat performance and design guidelines (specified in C/S T.009) by performing the tests specified in the GEOLUT Commissioning Standard (C/S T.010) and reporting results in the appropriate format to the Cospas-Sarsat Joint Committee for evaluation.

### **3. LOUCH PERFORMANCE EVALUATION METHODOLOGY**

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#### **3.1 General Evaluation Methodology**

All participants in the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation programme are requested to conduct their testing and evaluation in accordance with the common set of guidelines and procedures as defined below.

- a. Russia is responsible for scheduling, in conjunction with the GEOLUT operators, all the tests that require the support of the beacon simulator.
- b. Prior to conducting any tests that do not require the simulator, the participating GEOLUT operators should liaise with Russia to confirm that there are no reported problems with the satellite which could affect test results.
- c. Each GEOLUT operator should produce a Louch GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Report in the format described at Annex A.
- d. Distress alerts from operational beacons generated by GEOLUTs participating in the Louch evaluation programme should not be released into the Cospas-Sarsat System until the respective GEOLUT operator has confirmed that the GEOLUT does not produce processing anomalies.

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Every effort should be made to ensure that the use of real or simulated beacon signals in support of the Louch Performance Evaluation Plan will not generate distress alert messages which might be interpreted in the existing LEOSAR and GEOSAR systems as real alerts.

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### 3.2 Detailed Description of Objectives

This section provides the following for each objective of the Louch GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Programme:

- a. test procedures,
- b. data collection requirements, and
- c. data reduction/analysis requirements.

To simplify the testing and to reduce the number of 406 MHz test transmissions, test procedures have been developed which share test transmissions. For example the output produced by the GEOLUT resulting from the test transmissions for test T-1, is also used for evaluating the performance of the GEOLUT in respect of the time to produce valid and confirmed messages (T-2), and frequency measurement accuracy performance (T-3).

To ensure that the alert messages generated by the GEOLUTs can be correlated to the test signal transmissions, GEOLUT operators should confirm that the time of day setting in the GEOLUT is correct before conducting each test.

#### 3.2.1 T-1: Processing Threshold, System Margin, and Beacon Message Processing Performance

The processing threshold, processing performance and the system margin are "figures of merit" of the GEOLUT.

##### Processing Threshold

The processing threshold is the value of the minimum carrier to noise density ratio (C/No) in dBHz at the GEOLUT processor for which the GEOLUT is able to produce a valid<sup>1</sup> message for 99% of the beacon events (the lower this value the more sensitive the GEOLUT).

##### System Margin

The system margin is the difference between a nominal beacon, with an EIRP of 37 dBm, and a beacon operating at the GEOLUT threshold.

##### Valid Message Processing Performance

The processing performance requirement documented in C/S T.009 is that GEOLUTs should be capable of producing valid messages within 5 minutes of beacon activation 95% of the time, for all beacon signals whose C/No as measured at the GEOLUT is greater than 26 dB-Hz. This test will determine the C/No, for which the Louch GEOLUT can produce a valid message for beacon event within 5 minutes of beacon activation 95% of the time.

##### Long Message Processing Performance

At present Cospas-Sarsat has no GEOLUT specification requirement in respect of producing complete and confirmed long messages. Nevertheless, with the increased use of location

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<sup>1</sup> – Definitions of Valid, Complete and confirmed messages are provided in C/S T.009 "Cospas-SarsatGeolut Performance Specification and Design Guidelines".

protocol beacons using the long message format, it is necessary to assess the Louch system performance in this regard.

### **3.2.1.1 Methodology and Data Collection**

This test assesses the GEOLUT performance in respect of its ability to produce single valid, complete and confirmed complete distress beacon messages as a function of the beacon power transmitted in the direction of the Louch satellite (beacon EIRP).

A beacon simulator is used to replicate distress beacons that transmit long format messages at specific EIRPs, for a duration necessary to transmit 25 bursts for each beacon ID. Hereafter the term “beacon event” is used to describe a beacon being active for a period of time. The test is conducted by transmitting 50 beacon events for each EIRP, whilst ensuring that signals from individual beacon events do not overlap in time and frequency with the signals from other beacon events. The output of the GEOLUT is monitored and the information identified in Table E-1 is recorded. The procedure is repeated at EIRP values ranging from 37dBm to 26 dBm, in one dB increments.

Performance of this test requires the following steps.

- a. Use a beacon simulator as a set of controlled test beacons with a variable output EIRP.
- b. Program the simulator to provide different long format beacon identification codes for each beacon event. The test scripts used for this test are provided at Annex B, Table B-1.
- c. Calibrate the beacon simulator output EIRP and carrier frequency (to an accuracy of 0.2 Hz) to confirm the technical characteristics of the transmitted signals.
- d. To avoid interference to the 406 MHz channels currently active for operational use, ensure that the simulator does not transmit in the channels used for operational beacons.
- e. Set the simulator EIRP to 37 dBm in the direction of the Louch-5A satellite.
- f. Transmit the 50 beacon events provided at Table B-1 (each event consists of the same beacon message transmitted 25 times), ensuring that individual beacon transmissions do not interfere with each other. To eliminate any potential interference from LEOSAR satellite downlinks, this test shall be scheduled to ensure that test signals are not transmitted when Louch GEOLUTs are in the footprint of a Cospas-Sarsat LEOSAR satellites.

- g. Collect the data produced by the GEOLUT for each beacon event as described at Annex E (note that this data will be analysed to provide the results for this test objective, as well as for objectives T-2 and T-3).
- h. Repeat the process at the EIRP values listed at Table 3-1, using the associated test scripts described at Table B-1.

### 3.2.1.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results

For each set of 50 beacon events transmitted at a given EIRP as recorded at Annex E Table E-1:

- a. Calculate the probability of:

- (i) producing at least one valid message for each beacon event as follows:

$$\frac{\text{number of beacon events for which GEOLUT produced at least one valid message}}{\text{number of beacon events transmitted at the selected EIRP}}$$

- (ii) producing at least one valid message within 5 minutes of beacon activation as follows:

$$\frac{\text{number of beacon events for which GEOLUT produced a valid message within 5 min of activation}}{\text{number of beacon events transmitted at the selected EIRP}}$$

- (iii) producing at least one complete beacon message as follows:

$$\frac{\text{number of beacon events for which GEOLUT produced a correct complete long message}}{\text{number of beacon events transmitted at the selected EIRP}}$$

- (iv) producing a confirmed complete beacon message as follows:

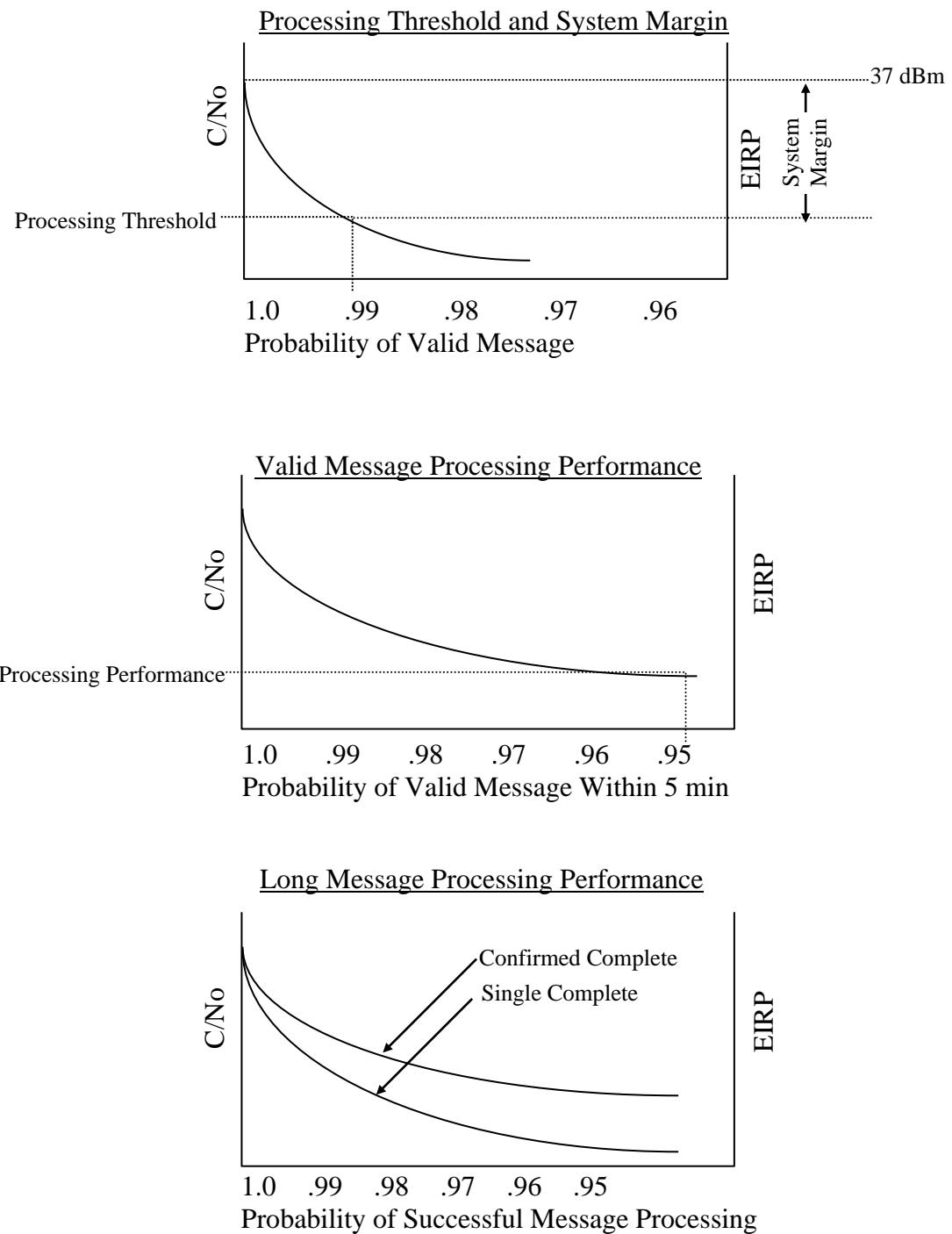
$$\frac{\text{number of beacon events for which GEOLUT was able to confirm a complete long message}}{\text{number of beacon events transmitted at the selected EIRP}}$$

- b. Calculate the C/No at the GEOLUT processor corresponding to each EIRP. Note that this is a calculated theoretical value of C/No, not the value measured by the GEOLUT.
- c. Record the results of the calculations above in sample Table 3-1.
- d. Using the data from Table 3-1, produce graphs of the results as depicted at Figure 3-1.

EIRP from simulator (dBm)	Calculated C/No at GEOLUT (dBHz)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Valid Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events for which		Probability of Valid Message	Probability of Valid Message within 5 Min
			Valid Message was Produced	Valid Message was Produced within 5 Min		
26.0						
27.0						
28.0						
29.0						
30.0						
31.0						
32.0						
33.0						
34.0						
35.0						
36.0						
37.0		50	50	50	1.00	1.00

EIRP from simulator (dBm)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Complete Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Confirmed Complete Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events for which a Complete Message was Produced	Number of Beacon Events for which a Confirmed Complete Message was Produced	Probability of Complete / Confirmed Complete Msg
26.0					
27.0					
28.0					
29.0					
30.0					
31.0					
32.0					
33.0					
34.0					
35.0					
36.0					
37.0	50	50	50	50	1.00 1.00 / 1.00

Table 3-1: Sample Table for Analysed Results for Objective T-1



**Figure 3-1: Graphs Depicting Processing Threshold, System Margin, Valid Message and Complete Long Message Processing Performance**

All cases where the GEOLUT was not able to produce a valid message for a beacon event should be analysed to determine if extraordinary external factors (e.g. interference) could have caused the GEOLUT not to detect the beacon. If extraordinary external factors caused the GEOLUT to miss a beacon event, the event should be removed from the statistics and an explanation provided in the report.

### 3.2.2 T-2: Time to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Messages

This test assesses how long it takes GEOLUTs operating with the Louch satellite to produce valid beacon messages, complete long messages, and confirmed complete long messages. This information will be used to validate message processing requirements for GEOLUTs which operate with the Louch-5A satellite, and to determine a figure of merit for the number of bursts required to successfully process a message.

#### 3.2.2.1 Methodology and Data Collection

For simplicity this test is conducted by analysing the data collected for test T-1 (Threshold). Note that the T-1 test scenario is specifically designed not to generate beacon bursts which overlap in time and frequency. Consequently, for operational beacon events, the times to produce valid, complete, and the time to confirm complete messages may differ from those determined during this test.

The following test methodology and data collection requirements apply:

- a. Note the EIRP and 15 Hex ID for each beacon event.
- b. For each beacon event note the date/time that the GEOLUT produced:
  - (i) the first valid message;
  - (ii) the first complete message; and
  - (iii) the first confirmation of the complete message with an independent integration process.
- c. Record the data collected above in tabular format as described at Annex E. The table should have an entry for each beacon event at each EIRP.

#### 3.2.2.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results

- a. For each EIRP calculate the average time to:

- (i) produce valid messages (ATVM), as follows:

$$ATVM = \frac{\sum \text{time after first burst in beacon event for GEOLUT to produce valid message}}{\text{number of beacon events for which at least one valid message produced}}$$

- (ii) produce complete messages (ATCM), as follows:

$$ATCM = \frac{\sum \text{time after first burst in beacon event for GEOLUT to produce complete message}}{\text{number of beacon events for which at least one complete message produced}}$$

(iii) confirm a complete messages (ATCCM), as follows:

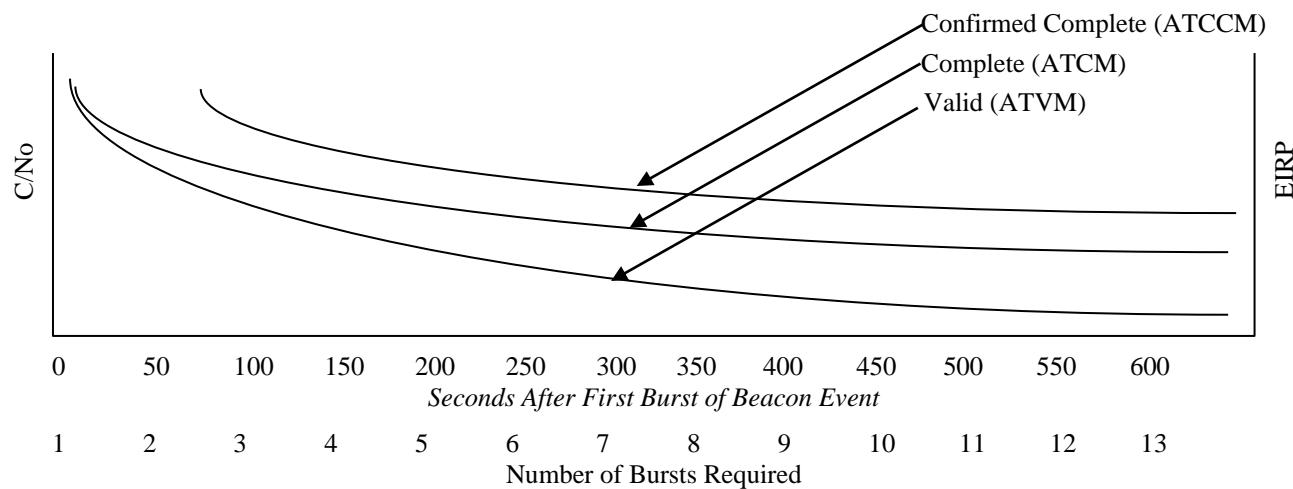
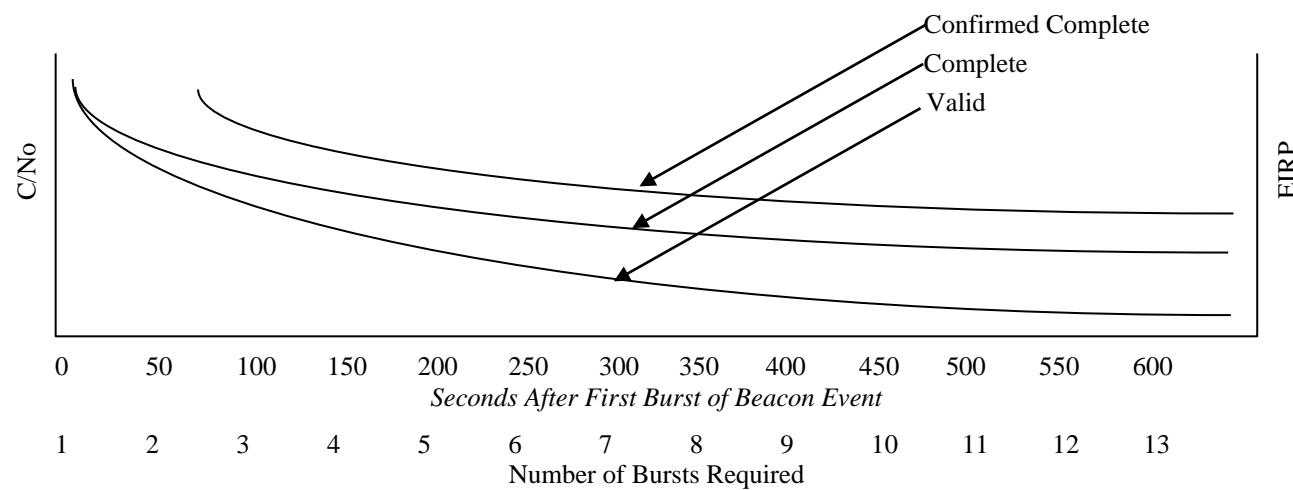
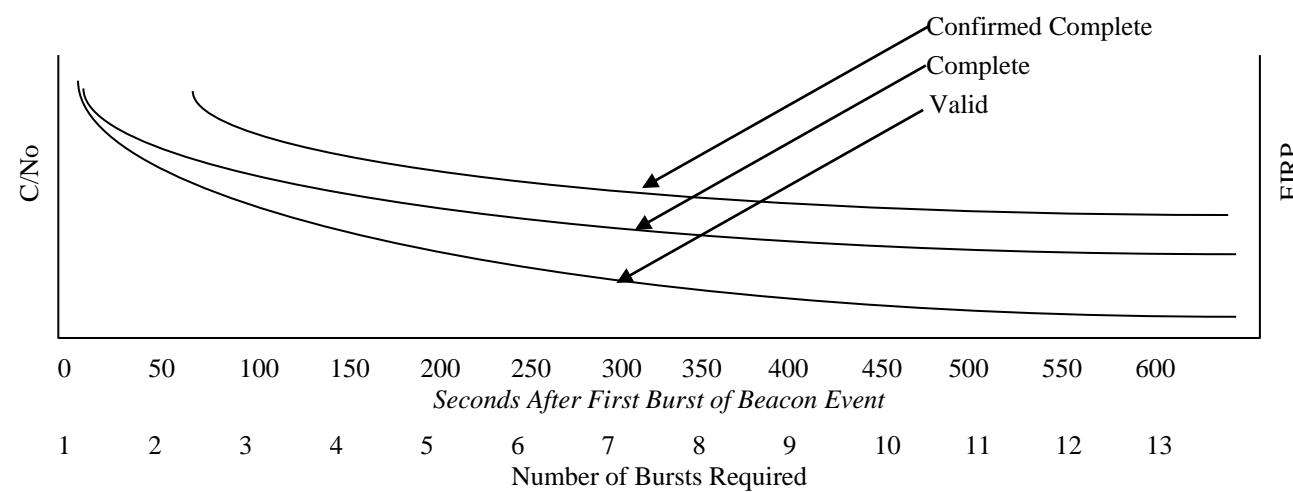
$$ATCM = \frac{\sum \text{time after first burst in beacon event for GEOLUT to produce complete message}}{\text{number of beacon events for which at least one complete message produced}}$$

- b. In addition, for each EIRP calculate the standard deviation for the time to produce valid, complete and confirmed complete messages.
- c. For each EIRP determine the time (duration) required for the GEOLUT to provide 95% and 98% of valid, complete, and confirmed complete messages. These values are determined by normalising the time values by removing the time bias resulting from the requirement to stagger the start times of each beacon event. The normalised values are analysed to identify how long the GEOLUT required to produce the 95<sup>th</sup> and 98<sup>th</sup> percentile for valid, complete, and confirmed messages. If the 95<sup>th</sup> or 98<sup>th</sup> percentile was not achieved for any given category, this should be designated as Not Available (N/A) in the appropriate cell of the table.
- d. Record the results of the above in sample Table 3-2.
- e. Using the data from Table 3-2, produce graphs of the results as depicted in Figure 3-2.

EIRP (dBm)	C/No (dBHz)	ATVM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATVM	ATCM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATCM	ATCCM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATCCM
26.0							
27.0							
.							
.							
.							
37.0							

EIRP (dBm)	C/No (dBHz)	95 <sup>th</sup> Percentile			98 <sup>th</sup> Percentile		
		Valid Msg (Sec)	Complete Msg (Sec)	Confirmed Msg (Sec)	Valid Msg (Sec)	Complete Msg (Sec)	Confirmed Msg (Sec)
26.0							
27.0							
.							
.							
.							
37.0							

**Table 3-2: Sample Table for Analysed Results for Objective T-2**

Average Time to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages95<sup>th</sup> Percentile to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages98<sup>th</sup> Percentile to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages**Figure 3-2: Graphs Depicting Message Production Times**

### 3.2.3 T-3: Carrier Frequency Measurement Accuracy

The purpose of this objective is to assess how accurately the beacon carrier frequency can be measured by the Louch GEOSAR / GEOLUT system. This is accomplished by comparing the beacon's carrier frequency for each valid message as measured by the GEOLUT with the known frequency value for the same beacon, provided by the beacon simulator operator. The current GEOLUT specification (C/S T.009) requires a frequency measurement accuracy of 2 Hz.

#### 3.2.3.1 Methodology and Data Collection

For simplicity, this test is conducted by analysing the data collected for test T-1. For each beacon event note the frequency measurement provided by the GEOLUT associated with the first valid message produced, and record this information as described at Annex E.

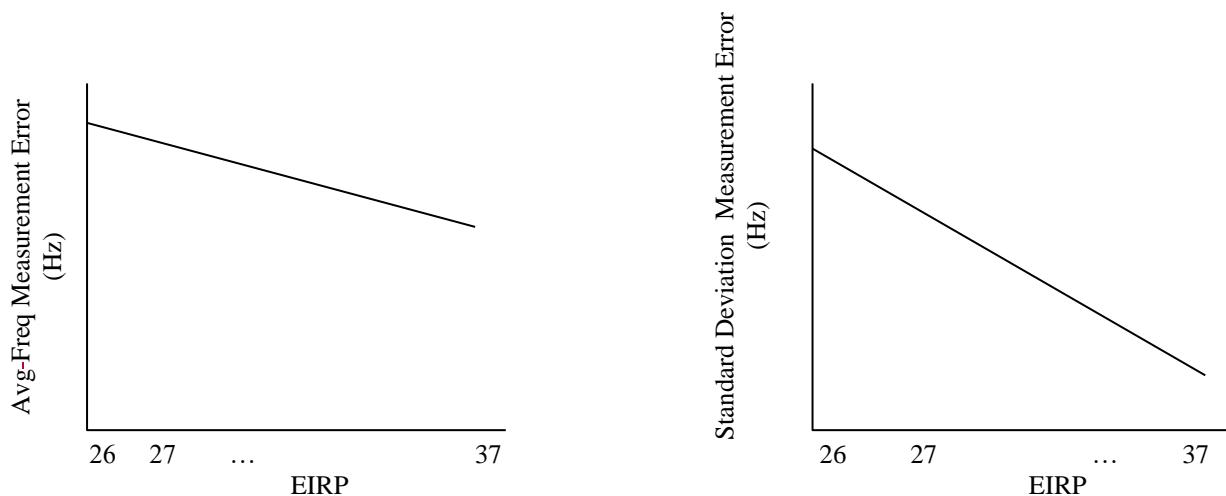
The measured frequency should be corrected by the GEOLUT, as possible, to account for any calibration that would normally be performed during real GEOLUT operations (e.g. if the GEOLUT includes features for assessing and correcting frequency measurements by applying calibration correction factors, these features should be activated).

#### 3.2.3.2 Data Reduction, Analysis, and Results

Using the data recorded at Annex E the mean and standard deviation of the frequency differences for each EIRP should be calculated and recorded as indicated in sample Table 3-3 and graphed as depicted at Figure 3-3. Measurements which have large differences may be removed from the data set if the measurement error can be explained by a known phenomenon which degraded the GEOLUT's ability to produce a valid measurement.

EIRP (dBm)	Calculated C/No at GEOLUT (dBHz)	Avg Freq Measurement Error (Hz rounded to 1 decimal place)	Std Deviation of Error (Hz)
<b>26.0</b>			
.			
.			
<b>37.0</b>			

**Table 3-3: Sample Table for Analysed Results for Objective T-3**



**Figure 3-3: Graphs Depicting Frequency Measurement Accuracy Performance**

### 3.2.4 T-4: LOUCH GEOLUT Channel Capacity

The definition of capacity in Cospas-Sarsat GEOSAR systems is the number of 406 MHz distress beacons operating simultaneously in the field of view of a GEOSAR satellite, that can be successfully processed by the System to provide a valid beacon message, under nominal conditions, within 5 minutes of beacon activation 95% of the time, and the number of beacons that can be successfully processed within 10 minutes of beacon activation 98% of the time. The applicable nominal conditions are described in document C/S T.012, “Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz Frequency Management Plan”, except that the uplink EIRP will be set to 34 dBm.

#### 3.2.4.1 Methodology and Data Collection

The Louch GEOSAR channel capacity is determined by generating traffic loads equivalent to known numbers of simultaneously active long format beacons in a Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz channel. The time required for the GEOLUT to produce a valid beacon message, complete message and confirm a complete message for each beacon event is recorded. The number of simultaneously occurring beacon events is changed and the time required for the GEOLUT to produce valid, complete and complete confirmed messages are calculated and recorded for the new 406 MHz traffic load.

The test scripts transmitted by the beacon simulator should conform to the nominal conditions detailed in document C/S T.012, with the exception that the uplink EIRP will be 34 dBm. Specifically, the test shall replicate a number of beacon messages overlapping in time and frequency commensurate with the number of simultaneously active beacons. Further, the beacon events used in the test script shall also replicate the beacon burst repetition period defined in document C/S T.001 (406 MHz beacon specification). The test shall be scheduled to avoid any potential interference caused by Cospas-Sarsat LEOSAR satellite downlink transmissions.

The test will replicate scenarios of 15, 20, 25 and 30 simultaneously active beacons.

Performance of this test requires the following steps.

- a. A beacon simulator test script is developed which replicates 15 simultaneously active beacons, with each beacon event having a unique ID. The time of the first burst for each beacon event should be developed using a random process that ensures that the first burst of each beacon is transmitted within 50 seconds from the start of the test. The transmit time for subsequent transmissions for each beacon event shall conform to the repetition period defined in the Cospas-Sarsat beacon specification (C/S T.001). Therefore, the test script will include instances where beacon bursts may overlap in time and frequency. The test signals will be transmitted with a carrier frequency of 406.063MHz with the uplink power set to 34 dBm. Each beacon event shall replicate a beacon being active for a 15 minute period.
- b. Ensuring that the GEOLUTs will not be in the downlink footprint of a Cospas-Sarsat LEO SAR satellite, the test script is transmitted.
- c. For each beacon event the time that the GEOLUT produced the first valid message, first complete message and first confirmed complete message should be recorded in the tabular format provided at Annex F.
- d. Repeat test with a different test script which also replicates 15 active beacons, until 10 different test scripts have been transmitted.
- e. Repeat the process above for scenarios in which the beacon simulator replicates 20, 25, and 30 simultaneously active beacons.

### 3.2.4.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results

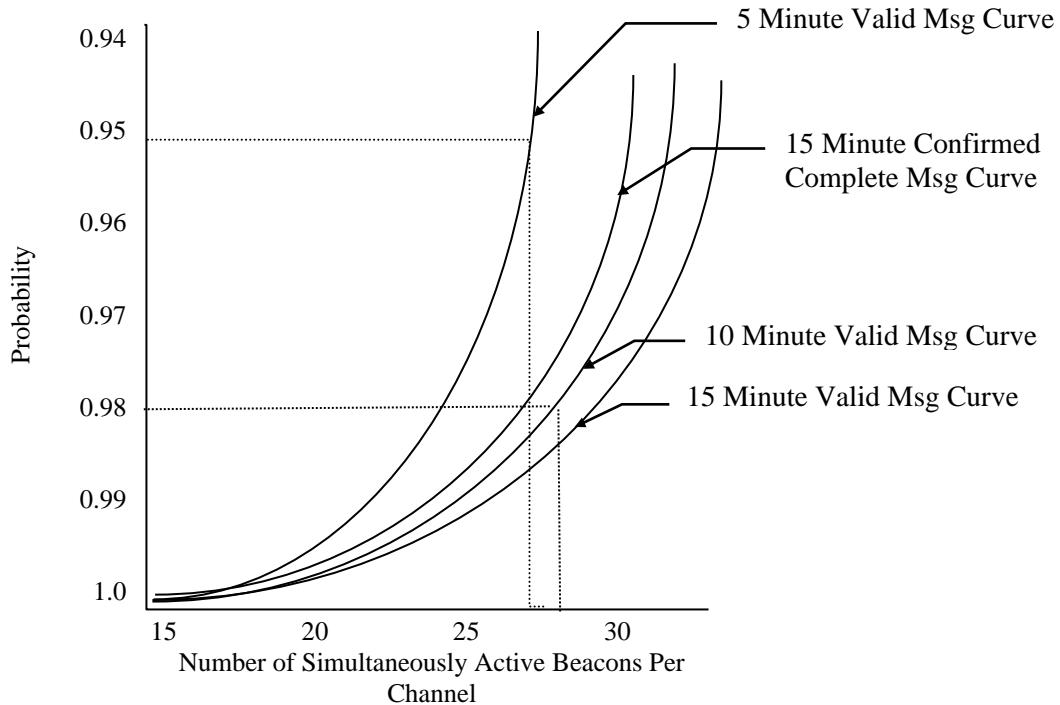
Using the data collected at Annex F, Table 3-4 should be completed for each simulated traffic load (e.g. the 10) repetitions of the test script for 15 active beacons are consolidated to provide the data in a single row of the table).

Channel: 406.0XX				
# of Active Ben Events	% Valid Msg within 5 Min	% Valid Msg within 10 Min	% Valid Msg within 15 Min	% Confirmed Complete Msg within 15 Min
15				
20				
25				
30				

**Table 3-4: Sample Table for Capacity Statistics**

From the data in Table 3-4, the percentage of beacon events which produced valid messages within 5, 10 and 15 minutes of the start of the beacon event, and also the percentage of confirmed complete messages, should be graphed against the respective beacon channel population as indicated at Figure 3-4. As described below, the capacity of the channel is determined by evaluating the number of active beacons corresponding to the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile

of the 5 minute curve and the 98<sup>th</sup> percentile of the 10 minute curve. Since the capacity of the channel must satisfy both the 5 and 10 minute criteria, the lowest of these two figures is the channel capacity.



**Figure 3-4: Graph Depicting Louch GEOSAR Capacity**

In the fictitious example above, the 0.95 probability in 5 minutes would be the most stringent criteria, and, therefore, defines the capacity as being approximately 26.5 active beacons.

### 3.2.4.3 Interpretation, Conclusion and Recommendation

The results of these tests will provide an estimate of the capacity a single channel in the Louch GEOSAR system. It is recommended that these results be used to validate the GEOLUT capacity models being developed for the 406 MHz Frequency Management Plan.

### 3.2.5 T-5: Impact of Interference

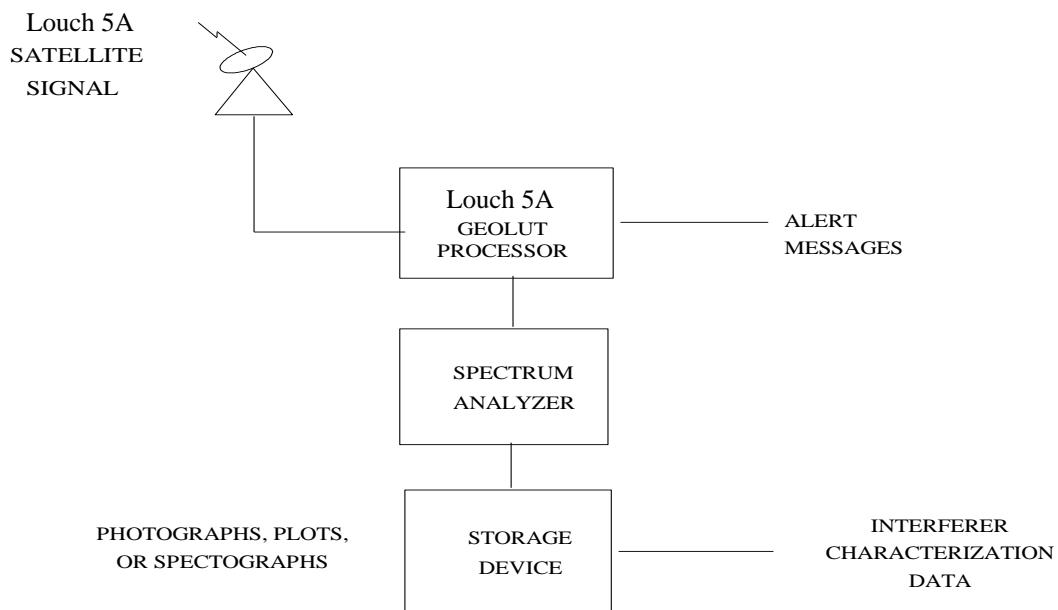
The purpose of this objective is to determine the ability of the GEOSAR system to provide valid messages in the presence of interference and noise. In view of the specialized test equipment required to conduct this objective, not all Louch GEOLUT operators need participate, but as a minimum one operator should monitor and report the impact of interference in accordance with these procedures.

### 3.2.5.1 Methodology and Data Collection

This objective will use both real alerts and controlled test beacons to determine the impact of actual interferers seen in the GEOSAR field of view when interference is present. It will also examine the relationship between the characteristics of the interfering signals and any changes in the production of valid messages.

The following methodology should be used.

- a. Characterize the interference by using a spectrum analyser and a data storage device to permit detailed analysis of the interfering signal at a later time than its occurrence. The following test set up could be used (see Figure 3-5):



**Figure 3-5: Test Set-up for Interference Evaluation**

- b. Monitor the GEOSAR band using the spectrum analyser. Record the output in a storage device for later detailed analysis. Photographs, data plots, or spectrographs could be used for this purpose.
- c. When interference is detected the following parameters concerning the interfering signal should be collected.
  - i) The identification of the GEOLUT.
  - ii) Time of occurrence and the duration of the interfering signal.
  - iii) Spectral occupancy.

- iv) Signal strength.
- v) Time patterns (e.g. on/off versus continuous, sweeping versus constant, etc.).
- vi) Nature of modulation (analogue versus digital).
- vii) Location of the interferer (if known).

During periods of interference the production of valid messages by the GEOSAR processor should be evaluated. Any loss of messages, the production of invalid messages or increases in the message transfer time should be noted.

### **3.2.5.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results**

When interference is detected, all GEOSAR messages during the period should be examined to determine if there is:

- a. a loss of expected messages;
- b. a decrease in the number of valid messages from operational and test beacons before and after the occurrence of the interference; and
- c. an increase in processing anomalies.

Examine the technical parameters of the interferer and try to relate the impact on the message processing to specific characteristics of the interferer. For example, is there a relationship between the rate of reduction in valid messages to the interferer's signal strength?

## **3.2.6 T-6: Impact of Interference From LEOSAR Satellites**

The purpose of this objective is to analyse and quantify the impact that Cospas-Sarsat LEOSAR satellite downlink transmissions have on the ability of Louch GEOLUTs to process beacon signals. The test transmissions used for this objective will also be used for objective T-7 (Louch GEOLUT network performance).

### **3.2.6.1 Methodology and Data Collection**

The impact of interference from LEOSAR satellite downlink transmissions is assessed by activating beacon events at regular intervals over extended periods of time. The performance of the GEOLUT to produce valid and confirmed messages for these beacon events during periods when the GEOLUT was within, and periods when not within a LEOSAR satellite footprint, is analysed. It should be noted that harmful interference does not always occur every time GEOLUTs are in the footprint of the LEOSAR satellites, since the level of interference is dependant on many factors (e.g. side lobe characteristics of GEOLUT antenna, GEOLUT antenna shielding, etc.). Consequently, this test will not categorically confirm whether LEOSAR satellites generate harmful interference to the Louch GEOSAR System.

However, the test may provide sufficient information to determine whether additional tests on the matter will be required.

Performance of this test requires the following steps.

- a. The beacon simulator is programmed to transmit a new beacon event, each with an EIRP of 37 dBm every 10 minutes over a 48 hour period. Each beacon event shall have a unique ID, transmit long format messages and shall be active for 20 minutes. The burst repetition interval for each beacon event shall be implemented in a manner which ensures that at least 10 bursts from each event do not collide with bursts from

### **3.2.7 T-7: LOUCH GEOLUT Network Performance**

There is a requirement to confirm that the Louch GEOSAR system comprised of the GEOSAR satellite and the network of GEOLUTs which track it will provide reliable and timely 406 MHz alerts even if one or more of the Louch GEOLUTs were unavailable due to interference from LEOSAR downlink transmissions.

#### **3.2.7.1 Methodology and Data Collection**

The results from objective T-6 from all the participating GEOLUTs is analysed to complete the table provided below. For each beacon event the earliest time that any of the GEOLUTs produced a valid message and the earliest that any of the GEOLUTs produced a confirmed complete message is recorded. Since this test requires consolidating the results from objective T-6 from all the participating Louch GEOLUTs, objective T-7 will not be included in the performance evaluation reports provided by individual GEOLUT operators.

<b>Beacon ID</b>	<b>Time to Produce Valid Msg</b>	<b>GEOLUT which Produced Valid Msg</b>	<b>Time to Produce Confirmed Complete Msg</b>	<b>GEOLUT which Produced Confirmed Complete Msg</b>

**Table 3-5: Sample Table of Louch GEOLUT Network Performance**

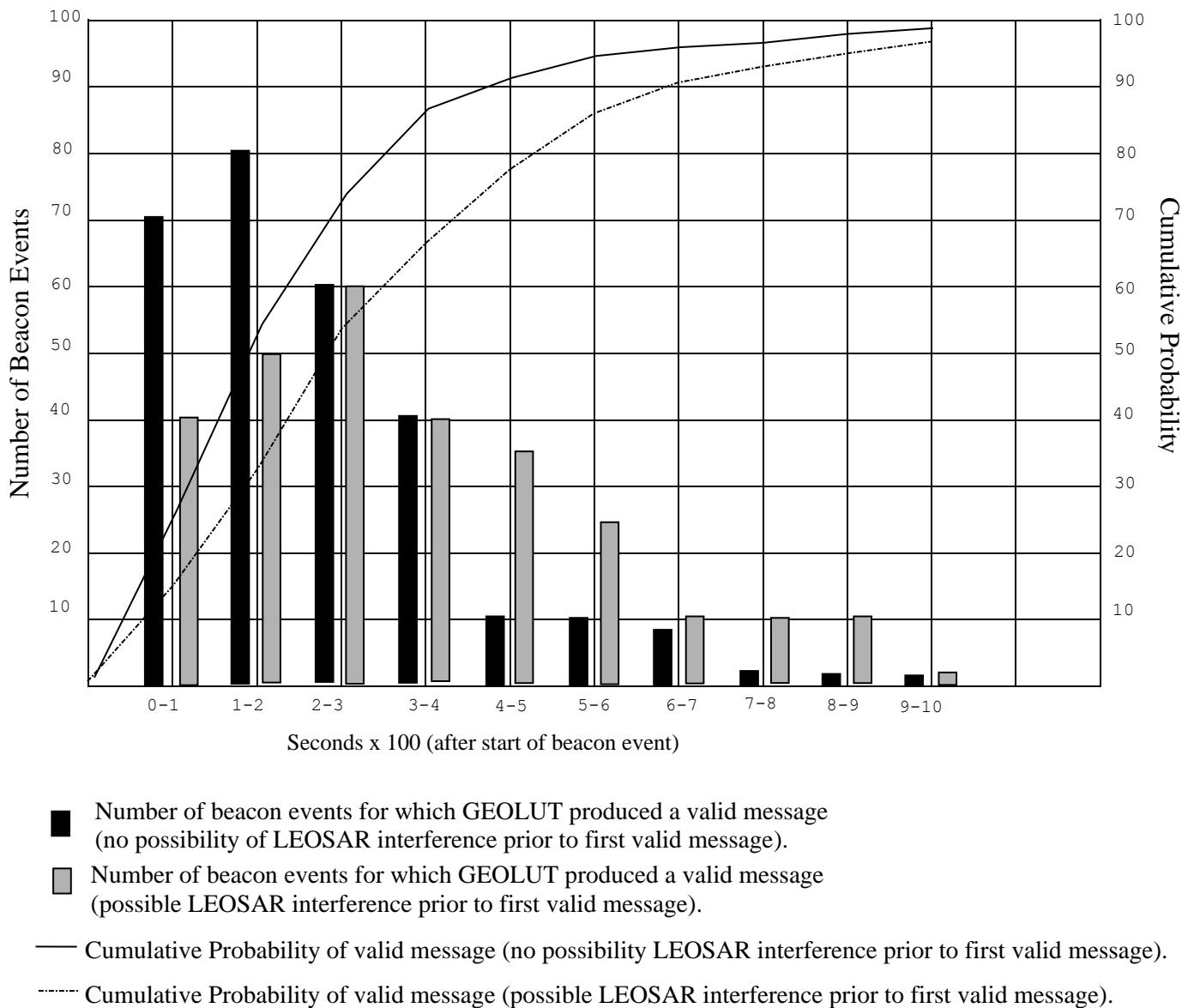
#### **3.2.7.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results**

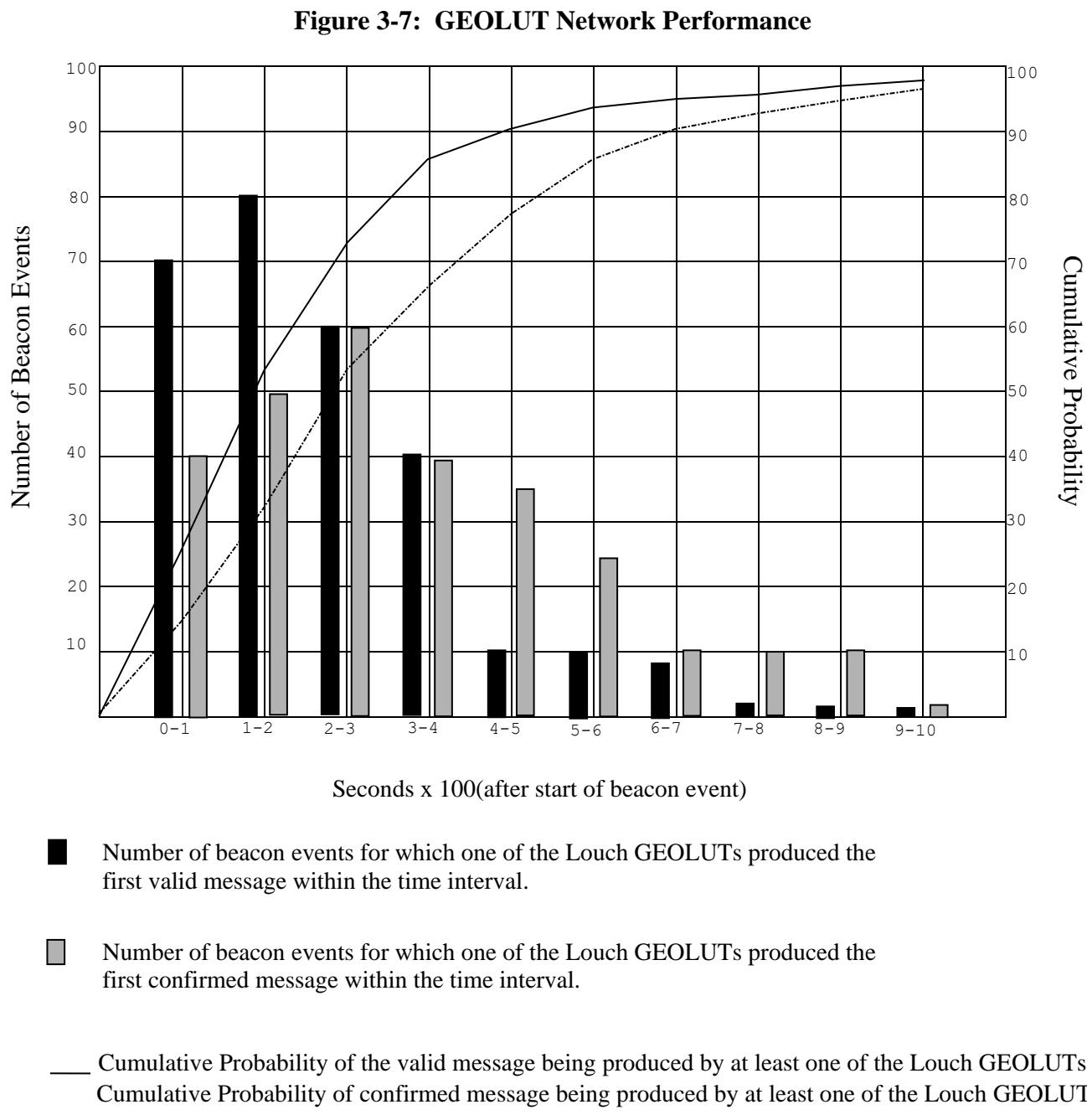
From the data collected, the following shall be provided.

- a. A histogram, with 100 second intervals, depicting the number of beacon events for which valid and confirmed complete messages were produced, and the cumulative probabilities of valid and confirmed complete messages (as provided at Figure 3-7).
- b. The mean time and standard deviation for the Louch GEOSAR system to produce valid and confirmed complete messages.

c. The probability that the combined network of GEOLUTs would produce a valid message within 5 minutes, and within 10 minutes.

**Figure 3-6: GEOLUT Valid Message Production Performance**





### 3.2.8 T-8: Processing Anomalies (PA)

This test assesses GEOLUT performance in respect of its ability to suppress the number of processing anomalies produced.

#### 3.2.8.1 Methodology and Data Collection

This test is conducted by monitoring the 406 MHz channel (406.022 MHz) used by Cospas-Sarsat reference beacons, and noting instances where the GEOLUT produced valid beacon

messages which did not correspond to any of the reference beacons in the coverage area of the Louch satellite. Since the identifications (IDs) of all reference beacons in view of the Louch satellite are known, it can be inferred that beacons detected in the 406.022 MHz channel which do not correspond to known reference beacons are processing anomalies. The following test methodology and data collection requirements apply:

- a. Note the 15 hexadecimal identification of all the reference beacons in the coverage area of the Louch satellite.
- b. Monitor the 406 MHz channel used by Cospas-Sarsat reference beacons for a 4 week period, and note each instance of the GEOLUT producing a processing anomaly. For each processing anomaly note the date and time that it was produced by the GEOLUT, the 15 Hex ID and the 30 Hex beacon message reported by the GEOLUT, and whether there was interference from a LEOSAR satellite at the time the PA was produced (an example of the table for collecting this data is provided at Annex H).

### 3.2.8.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results

- a. Identify those valid messages that were processing anomalies (their 15 Hex ID did not correspond to the 15 Hex ID of any of the reference beacons in the coverage area of the Louch satellite).
- b. For each processing anomaly, determine if the GEOLUT was in the coverage area of a LEOSAR satellite at the time the alert was produced. This information will be used to develop statistics which will provide an indication of whether LEOSAR interference impacts upon GEOLUT processing anomaly performance.
- c. For each processing anomaly, attempt to determine the source (i.e. reference beacon) of the transmission. This is done by converting the GEOLUT produced message into its binary representation, and comparing it with bit-shifted versions of all the reference beacons in the Louch coverage area. If the bits of the processing anomaly message correspond to 80% or more of a reference beacon message, then it could be assumed that the processing anomaly was generated from the GEOLUT processing of transmissions from that reference beacon.
- d. Record the results in the table provided at Annex H, and copied below:

15 Hex ID Produced by GEOLUT	15 Hex ID of Associated Reference Beacon	Beacon Message Produced by GEOLUT (30 Hex)	Date / Time	LUT in LEO Footprint (Y/N)

- e. Calculate the PA rate as a function of beacon bursts in the coverage area of the Louch satellite. This is calculated with the following equation:

$$\frac{\text{Total Number of PAs}}{\text{Total Duration of LEOCov in Days} * \text{Number of Reference Beacon Bursts per Day in Louch Coverage Area}}$$

- f. Calculate the PA rate when the GEOLUT is in the footprint of a LEOSAR satellite using the following equation.

Total Number of PAs during LEOCov

Total Duration of LEOCov in Days\* Number of Reference Beacon Bursts per Day in Louch Coverage Area

### **3.2.9 T-9: LOUCH Coverage**

The coverage of the Louch GEOSAR system is evaluated using a combination of:

- a. technical tests, in which a beacon is activated for a period of time, during which it crosses in or out of the Louch GEOSAR coverage area; and
- b. evaluating real beacon alerts detected by the LEOSAR system, and assessing if the same alerts were detected by the Louch GEOSAR system.

#### **3.2.9.1 Methodology and Data Collection**

##### Testing Using Beacon Crossing Coverage Area

A beacon will be mounted on a vessel or vehicle which will be crossing the expected Louch GEOSAR coverage area. After the beacon has been activated, the beacon operator will record its location as a function of time. Louch GEOLUT operators will monitor the output of their GEOLUTs for the test period, and record the times associated with the production of all valid messages for the test beacon.

##### Evaluating Coverage Area Using Real Beacon Events of Opportunity

The location and times of real beacon events detected by the LEOSAR system during the period of the Louch GEOSAR Performance testing are to be identified. Beacon events located within an area enclosed by 80° latitude and longitude should be recorded in the format provided at Annex I. The beacon ID and time of each alert in the sample set are to be compared against the GEOLUT output to determine if the event was also detected by the Louch GEOSAR system.

#### **3.2.9.2 Data Reduction, Analysis and Results**

##### Testing Using Beacon Crossing Coverage Area

From the data collected, the time that Louch GEOSAR coverage was lost (or began depending whether the beacon was moving in or out of coverage) is to be recorded. The movement of the beacon during the test period is to be plotted on a map, and the plot is to be annotated to depict GEO coverage / no GEO coverage. From the collected data, the estimated latitude and longitude of the last valid message detected by the GEOLUT before the beacon left coverage, should be provided.

##### Evaluating Coverage Area Using Real Beacon Events of Opportunity

- a. All the LEOSAR alerts detected during the period of the Louch Performance evaluation that satisfy the criteria for inclusion in the sample set should be recorded in

the format provided at Annex I (i.e., situated within an area enclosed by 80° latitude and longitude);

- b. Each beacon event in the sample set should be checked to determine if it was also detected by the Louch GEOLUT, and the results recorded as per Annex I;
- c. The beacon events are to be grouped into geographic areas of 10° latitude/longitude blocks;
- d. For each block, the percentage of LEOSAR beacon events that were also detected by the GEOLUT should be calculated and presented as indicated at Table 3-6 below; and
- e. The location of each beacon event should be plotted on two maps, one depicting events that were detected by both the LEOSAR and GEOLUT, and a separate map depicting beacon events detected only by the LEOSAR system.

Block Location		Number of LEOSAR Beacon Events	Number Detected by GEOLUT	% Detected by GEOLUT
Longitude	Latitude			
0/10w	0/10n			
10w/20w	0/10n			
20w/30w	0/10n			
.	.			
.	.			
.	.			
70e/80e	70s/80s			

**Table 3-6: Sample Table of Coverage Statistics**

### 3.2.10 C-1: Commissioning of Louch GEOLUT

Part of the Louch GEOSAR performance evaluation plan includes the verification of the compliance of Louch GEOLUT with the performance specification (C/S T.009). This verification is performed for those ground segment operators participating in test campaign that intend to commission their respective Louch GEOLUTs (New Zealand, Russia) to Cospas-Sarsat. Document C/S T.010 provides the detailed testing and reporting requirements for the commissioning of the Cospas-Sarsat GEOLUT. The annexes of the documents define the test data format requirements and the content and format of the commissioning report which is to be submitted to the Cospas-Sarsat Secretariat.

Commissioning reports are reviewed separately by the Cospas-Sarsat Joint Committee and approved by the Cospas-Sarsat Council.



#### **4. REPORTING GUIDELINES**

Each GEOLUT operator participating in the Louch GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Programme shall submit an individual report to the Cospas-Sarsat Secretariat. The report should follow the structure described in Annex A, using the same section paragraph numbering and annexes.

The Secretariat will retain the complete reports on file for archival purposes, and will format each report into a summarized version for presentation to the Joint Committee. Based upon the recommendations of the Joint Committee, a summary report of the performance of the Louch System will be produced for the consideration of the Cospas-Sarsat Council.

- END OF SECTION 4 -



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**ANNEXES TO THE  
COSPAS-SARSAT LOUCH  
GEOSAR PERFORMANCE  
EVALUATION PLAN**

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## **ANNEX A**

### **FORMAT OF LOUCH PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORTS BY GEOLUT OPERATORS**

#### **A.1 INTRODUCTION**

Introductory remarks provide information necessary to understand the report. The introduction should identify which test objectives were completed and have been reported in this document and any known deficiencies with the GEOLUT which could affect the results. Furthermore, the introduction shall provide:

- a. the dates covered by the test programme;
- b. the location of the GEOLUT; and
- c. the configuration settings of the GEOLUT which could impact upon its observed performance (e.g. the bandwidth settings of the GEOLUT receiver).

#### **A.2 SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

This section will provide summary statements concerning the results of each objective. It should specifically identify any difficulties experienced with the evaluation programme and any recommendations that should be noted by the Joint Committee.

#### **A.3 Test T-1: PROCESSING THRESHOLD, SYSTEM MARGIN AND BEACON MESSAGE PROCESSING PERFORMANCE**

##### **A.3.1 Test Description**

This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

##### **A.3.2 Calculation of C/No**

The calculations converting the EIRP of the simulator, to a C/No value at the GEOLUT processor should be provided.

##### **A.3.3 Test Results**

The GEOLUT data collected for this test should be included as an annex to the report, and referenced in this section of the report. In addition, the tables below should be produced based on the collected data and provided in this section of the national report.

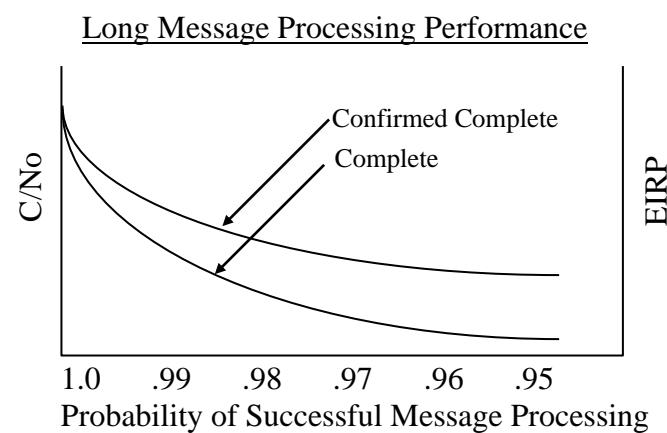
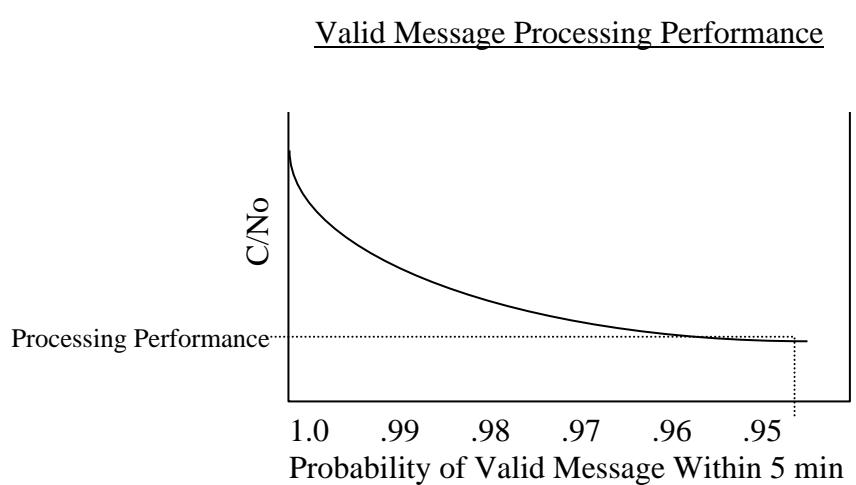
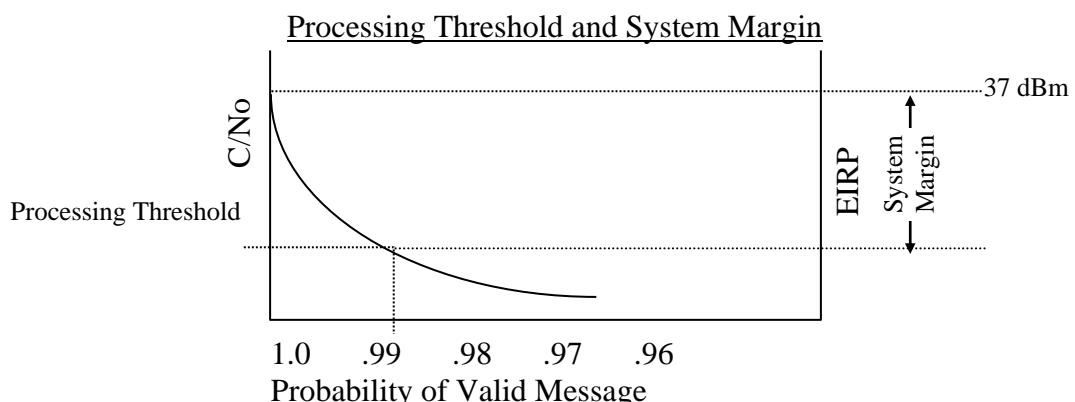
**Analysed Data for Test T-1**

EIRP from simulator (dBm)	Calculated C/No at GEOLUT (dBHz)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Valid Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events for which		Probability of Valid Message	Probability of Valid Message within 5 Min
			Valid Message was Produced	Valid Message was Produced within 5 Min		
26.0						
27.0						
28.0						
29.0						
30.0						
31.0						
32.0						
33.0						
34.0						
35.0						
36.0						
37.0		50	50	50	1.00	1.00

EIRP from simulator (dBm)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Complete Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events Used (Confirmed Complete Msg Sample Set)	Number of Beacon Events for which a Complete Message was Produced	Number of Beacon Events for which a Confirmed Complete Message was Produced	Probability of Complete / Confirmed Complete Msg
26.0					
27.0					
28.0					
29.0					
30.0					
31.0					
32.0					
33.0					
34.0					
35.0					
36.0					
37.0		50	50	50	1.00

**A.3.4 Processing Threshold and Message Processing Performance**

A graph of the results from the tables above should be included (a theoretical example is provided herein). The processing threshold value should be highlighted by noting the value of C/No corresponding to a 0.99 probability of obtaining a valid message as indicated below. Similarly the processing performance is determined from the graph depicting C/No versus the probability of producing a valid message within 5 minutes.



### A.3.5 System Margin

The calculations converting the threshold value of C/No to the associated EIRP, and the resulting system margin should be provided.

### A.3.6 Test Anomalies

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

### A.3.7 Recommendations

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

## A.4 TEST T-2: TIME TO PRODUCE VALID, COMPLETE AND CONFIRMED MESSAGES

### A.4.1 Test Description

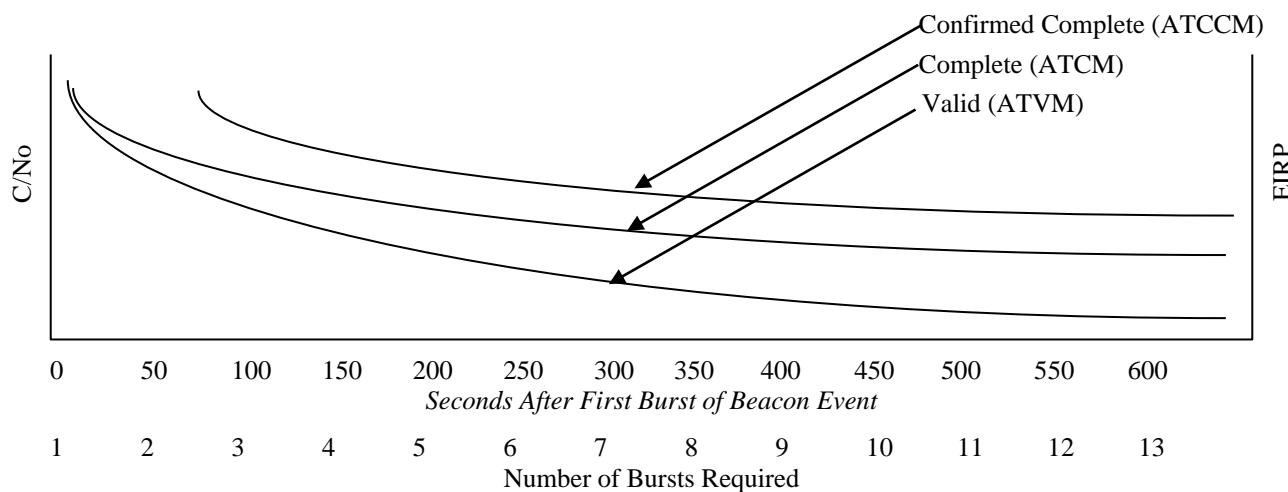
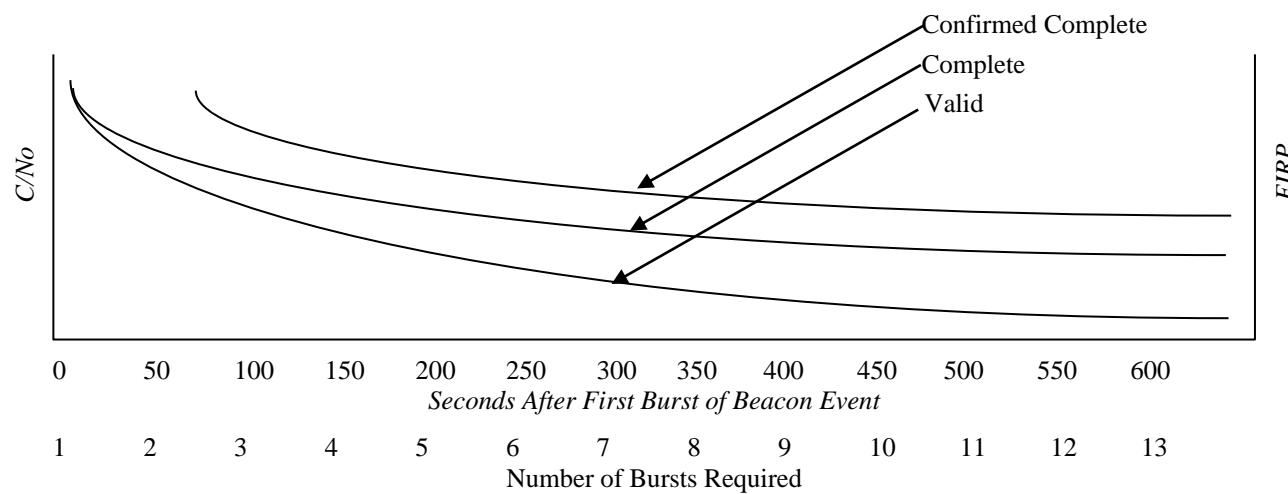
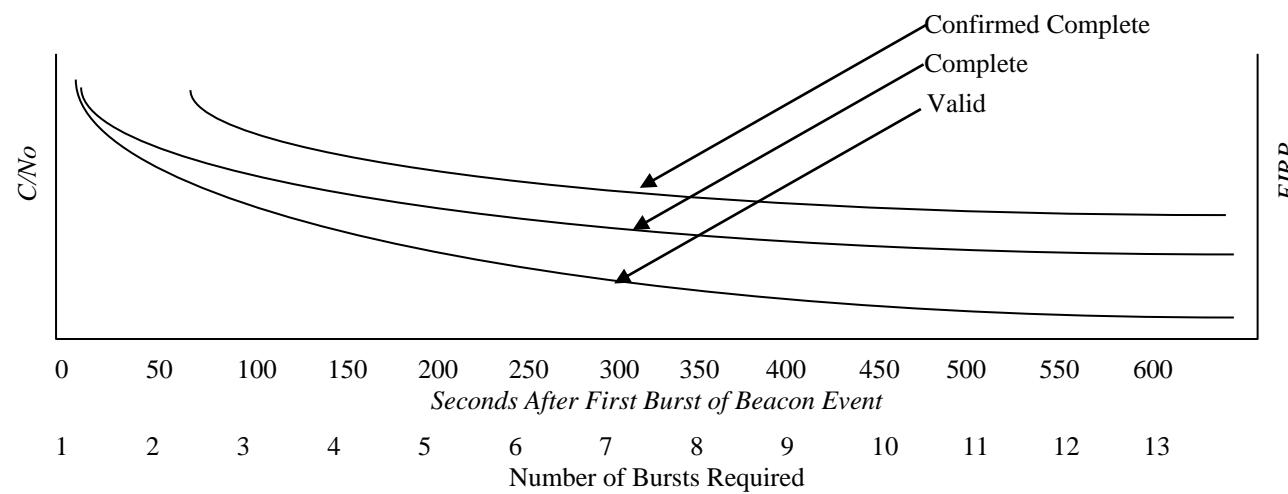
This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

### A.4.2 Test Results

The results for this test are obtained by analysing the data that was collected for the T-1 Test. A reference should be provided to indicate the annex of the report where this data is provided. From the data, the table and graphs described below should be produced and included in this section of the report. In addition to the mean time to produce valid, complete and confirmed complete messages for each EIRP, the standard deviation for each of these statistics should also be calculated and provided.

EIRP (dBm)	C/No (dBHz)	ATVM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATVM	ATCM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATCM	ATCCM (Sec)	Standard Deviation of ATCCM
26.0							
27.0							
.							
.							
37.0							

EIRP (dBm)	C/No (dBHz)	95 <sup>th</sup> Percentile			98 <sup>th</sup> Percentile		
		Valid Msg (Sec)	Complete Msg (Sec)	Confirmed Msg (Sec)	Valid Msg (Sec)	Complete Msg (Sec)	Confirmed Msg (Sec)
26.0							
27.0							
.							
.							
37.0							

Average Time to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages95<sup>th</sup> Percentile to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages98<sup>th</sup> Percentile to Produce Valid, Complete and Confirmed Complete Messages

#### A.4.3 Test Anomalies

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

#### A.4.4 Recommendations

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

### A.5 TEST T-3: CARRIER FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT ACCURACY

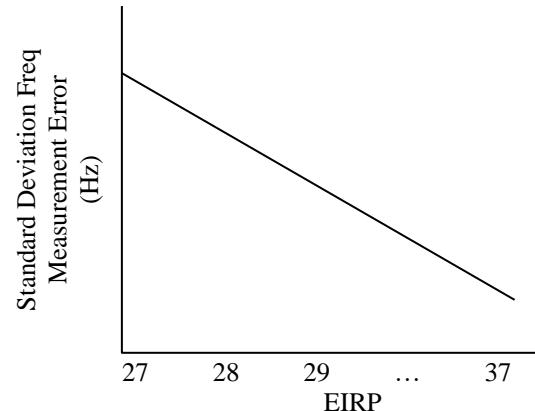
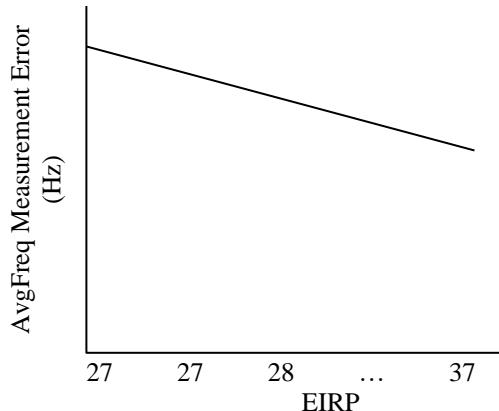
#### A.5.1 Test Description

This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

#### A.5.2 Test Results

The results for this test are obtained by analysing the data that was collected for the T-1 Test, to obtain the average frequency measurement error and standard deviation of this error, for each EIRP. A reference should be provided to indicate the annex of the report where this data is provided. The results of these calculations should be presented in tabular and graphical formats as indicated below.

EIRP (dBm)	Calculated C/No at GEOLUT (dBHz)	AvgFreq Measurement Error (Hz rounded to 1 decimal place)	Std Deviation of Error (Hz)
26.0			
.			
.			
37.0			



### **A.5.3 Test Anomalies**

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

### **A.5.4 Recommendations**

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

## **A.6 TEST T-4: LOUCH GEOLUT CHANNEL CAPACITY**

### **A.6.1 Test Description**

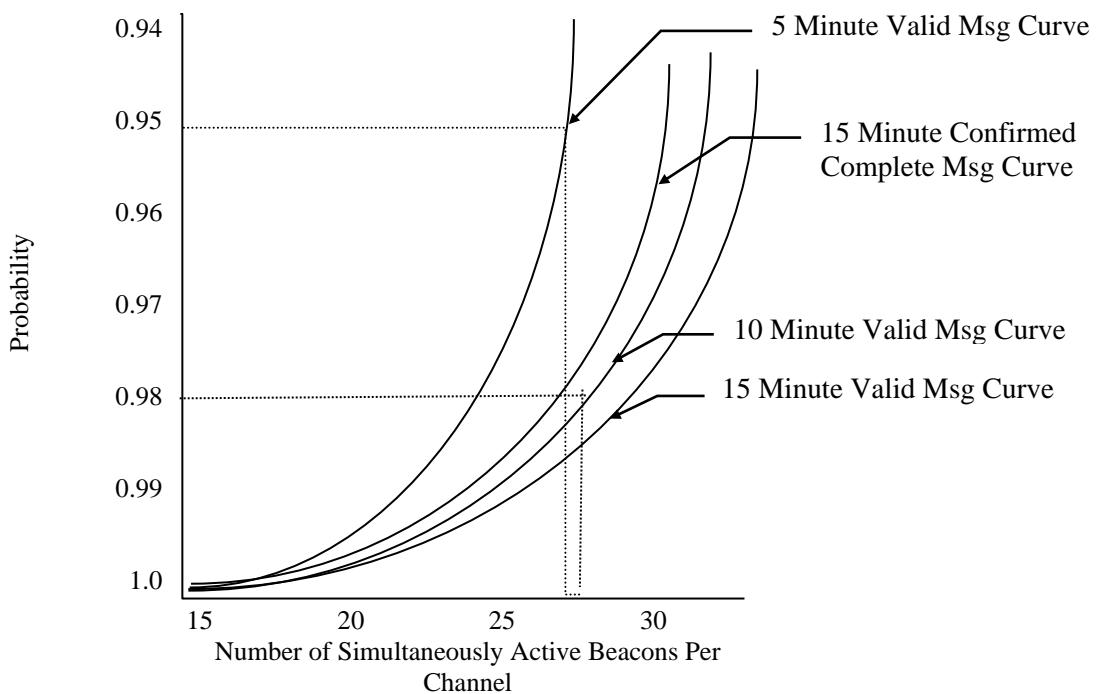
This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

### **A.6.2 Test Results**

The GEOLUT data collected for this test should be included as an annex to the report, and should be referenced in this section of the report. From the data collected, the table and graph depicted below should be provided, and the capacity calculated and reported in this section of the report.

<b>Channel: 406.0XX</b>				
# of Active Bcn Events	% Valid Msg within 5 Min	% Valid Msg within10 Min	% Valid Msg within 15 Min	% Confirmed Complete Msg within 15 Min
15				
20				
25				
30				

### **406.061 MHz Channel Capacity**



#### **A.6.3 Test Anomalies**

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

#### **A.6.4 Recommendations**

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

### **A.7 Test T-5: Impact of Interference**

This objective is not accomplished through a controlled test, but rather by monitoring the performance of the GEOLUT throughout the period of the entire Louch performance evaluation programme, during which time it is anticipated that there will be periods of interference. In view of the unstructured nature of this process it is not possible to predict what information will be collected, the detailed analysis which will be required, nor define the structure for reporting the results in advance.

In view of the above, for administrations which participated in this test objective, a description of the configuration used to detect and measure interference should be provided. In addition, the data collected for this objective should be provided as an annex to the report. Finally any data reduction and/or analysis conducted should be described and the results reported.

## **A.8 TEST T-6: IMPACT OF INTERFERENCE FROM LEOSAR SATELLITES**

### **A.8.1 Test Description**

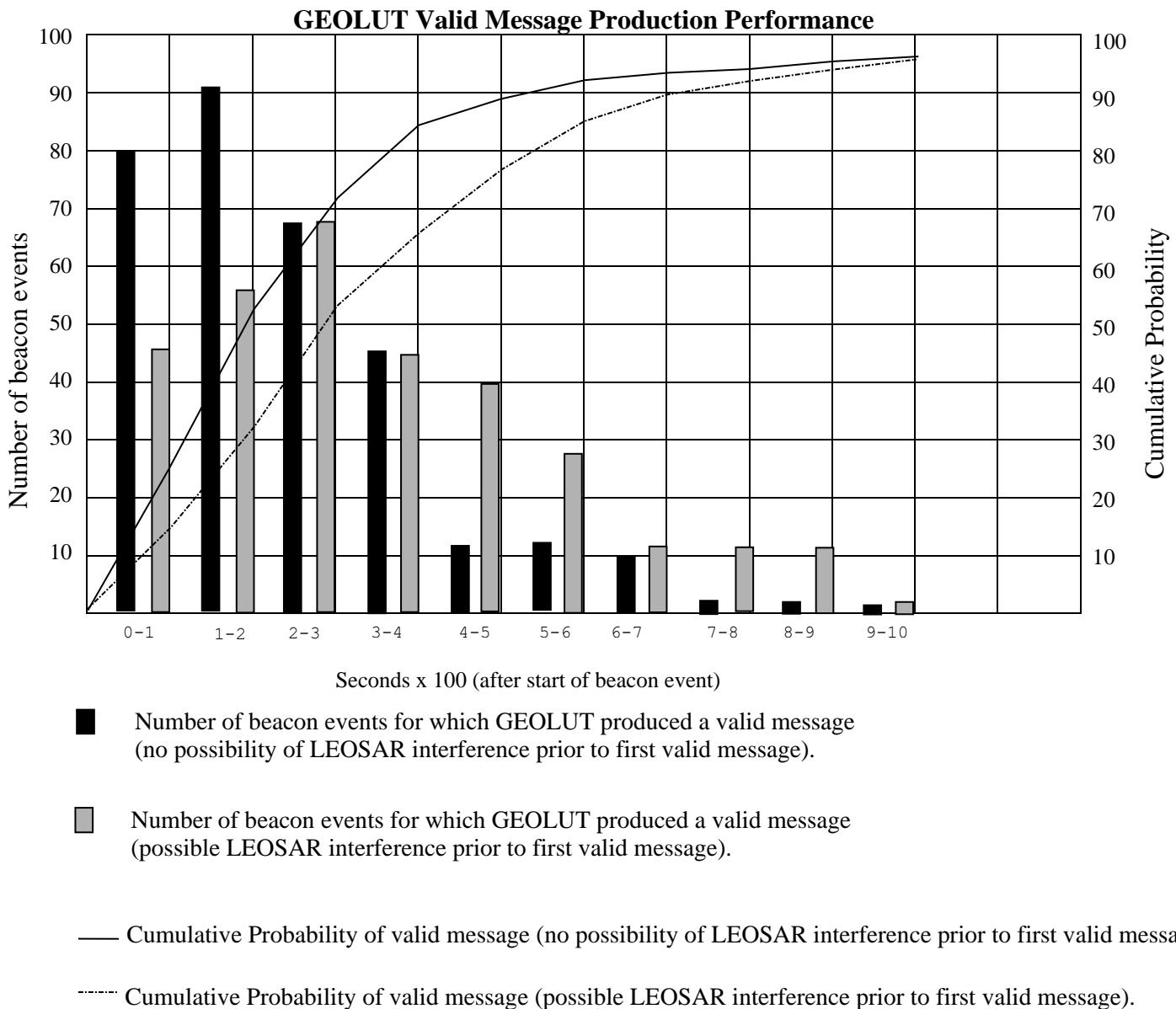
This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

### **A.8.2 Test Results**

The GEOLUT data collected for this test should be included as an annex to the report, and should be referenced in this section of the report. The following should be provided:

- a. histograms / graphs, as provided in the example below, which depict the performance of the GEOLUT to produce valid messages during periods when the GEOLUT was in the footprint of a LEOSAR satellite prior to the production of a valid message for a beacon event and when it was not;
- b. the mean and standard deviation for the time to produce valid messages, for both sample sets;
- c. histograms / graphs, also in the format provided below, which depict the performance to produce confirmed complete messages during periods when the GEOLUT was in the footprint of a LEOSAR satellite prior to the first valid message, and when it was not;
- d. the mean and standard deviation for the time to produce confirmed complete messages; and
- e. a graph depicting the C/No, as measured by the GEOLUT to produce the first valid message for each beacon event, plotted against the time since the start of the test (i.e., the horizontal axis of the graph will cover the 48 hour test period).

With respect to the calculation for the mean and standard deviation, if the GEOLUT did not produce a valid or confirmed complete message, the beacon event should not be included in the respective sample set, and a note should be provided in the report indicating how many such events occurred. For example, the note might indicate that valid messages were not produced for 3 beacon events, and confirmed complete messages were not produced for 7 events.



### A.8.3 Test Anomalies

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test that could affect the results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided. Specifically, the number of beacon events for which the GEOLUT was not able to produce a valid or a confirmed complete message should be provided.

### A.8.4 Recommendations

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

## A.9 TEST T-7: LOUCH GEOLUT NETWORK PERFORMANCE

Since this test requires consolidating the results of objective T-6 from all the participating Louch GEOLUTs, objective T-7 will not be included in the performance evaluation reports provided by the individual GEOLUT operators. Instead the Joint Committee will produce a report for this objective by consolidating the results provided by the participating GEOLUT operators for objective T-6.

### A.9.1 Test Results

The Joint Committee should analyse the data collected for objective T-6 (impact of LEOSAR interference), and complete the actions described below.

- a. An entry should be made in the format of the table described at Annex G which captures the earliest time that any of the Louch GEOLUTs produced a valid message for each beacon event, and the earliest time that any of the GEOLUTs produced a confirmed complete message for each beacon event.
- b. From the table produced by the Joint Committee, a graph (as described at Figure 3.7) should be provided, which depicts the performance of the Louch GEOLUT network in respect of producing valid and confirmed complete messages.
- c. From the consolidated data:
  - (i) mean and standard deviation for time required for the network of Louch GEOLUTs to produce valid and confirmed messages for each beacon event should be calculated and reported;
  - (ii) the probability that the network of Louch GEOLUTs would produce valid messages within 5 and 10 minutes should be calculated and reported; and
  - (iii) the probability that the GEOLUT network produced confirmed complete messages should be calculated and reported.

## A.10 TEST T-8: PROCESSING ANOMALIES

### A.10.1 Test Description

This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

### A.10.2 Test Results

An entry should be made in the table provided at Annex H (a copy of the format of the table is provided below) for each instance when the GEOLUT produced a valid message which satisfied both conditions stated below:

- a. the bias frequency calculated by the GEOLUT confirmed the transmission occurred in the channel reserved for reference beacons (406.0205 - 406.0235 MHz); and
- b. the 15 Hex ID of the valid message produced by the GEOLUT did not match any of the 15 Hex IDs of reference beacons operating in the Louch coverage area.

15 Hex ID Produced by GEOLUT	15 Hex ID of Associated Reference Beacon	Beacon Message Produced by GEOLUT (30 Hex)	Date / Time	LUT in LEO Footprint (Y/N)

**Table for Recording 406 MHz Processing Anomalies (extracted from Annex H)**

#### **A.10.3 Processing Anomaly Rate (PA)**

The PA rate and the PA rate when the GEOLUT was in the footprint of a LEOSAR satellite should be calculated and reported.

#### **A.10.4 Test Anomalies**

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

#### **A.10.5 Recommendations**

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

### **A.11 Test T-9: LOUCH COVERAGE**

#### **A.11.1 Test Description**

This section should include a statement confirming that the tests were conducted and analysed in accordance with C/S R.020, or describe any modifications to the test procedures that were required.

#### **A.11.2 Test Results**

##### **Beacon Crossing Coverage Area**

- a. A narrative description of the test should provided, indicating the route taken, the beacon identification, and the times associated with the activation and deactivation of the beacon.

- b. The GEOLUT performance in respect of producing valid messages, as a function of time and elevation angle (as indicated below) should be provided.
- c. The results provided in the table should be graphically depicted on a map.

<b>Beacon 15 Hex ID:</b>		<b>De-activation Date / Time:</b>	
<b>Activation Date / Time:</b>			
<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>Location (Lat/Long)</b>	<b>Beacon to Satellite Elevation Angle</b>	<b>Detected by GEOLUT (Yes/No)</b>

#### Evaluating Coverage Using Real Beacon Events

- a. All beacon events detected by the LEOSAR system in the area enclosed by 80° N/S and 80° E/W, shall be recorded as per Annex I, and an indication of whether the beacon event was also detected by the Louch GEOLUT.
- b. Using the data captured at Annex I, beacon events are to be grouped into geographic locations of 10° latitude/longitude blocks, and the associated statistics calculated as indicated below.

<b>Block Location</b>		<b>Number of LEOSAR Beacon Events</b>	<b>Number Detected by GEOLUT</b>	<b>% Detected by GEOLUT</b>
<b>Longitude</b>	<b>Latitude</b>			
<b>0/10w</b>	<b>0/10n</b>			
<b>10w/20w</b>	<b>0/10n</b>			
<b>20w/30w</b>	<b>0/10n</b>			
.	.			
.	.			
.	.			
<b>70e/80e</b>	<b>70s/80s</b>			

- c. Two maps of the data collected as per Annex I should be produced. One map depicting each beacon event that was detected by the LEOSAR and also by the Louch GEOLUT, and the second map depicting each beacon event that was only detected by the LEOSAR system.

#### **A.11.3 Test Anomalies**

This section should provide information concerning issues which occurred during the test which could affect results. If some data was excluded from the results, an explanation should be provided.

**A.11.4 Recommendations**

Any proposed recommendations resulting from this test should be detailed in this section.

List of Annexes (electronic copies of annexes to be provided to Secretariat separately)

Annex A GEOLUT Data Collected for Objectives T-1, T-2, and T-3;

Annex B GEOLUT Data Collected for Objective T-4;

Annex C GEOLUT Data Collected for Objective T-6;

Annex D GEOLUT Data Collected for Objective T-8; and

Annex E GEOLUT Data Collected for Objective T-9

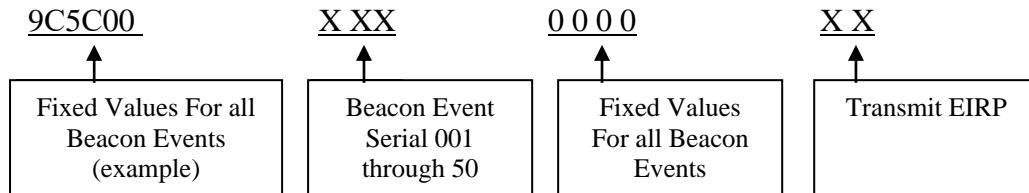
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**ANNEX B****TEST SCRIPTS FOR OBJECTIVES  
T-1, T-2 AND T-3****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the test signals that will be transmitted by the simulator for objectives T-1, T-2 and T-3. In order to transmit the required number of beacon events at each EIRP, each script will be comprised of 50 beacon events. A different script will be used for each EIRP value. The test script for uplink signals with EIRPs of 26 dBm is provided below. The scripts for the other EIRPs will be identical to this example except that the beacon event IDs transmitted will be coded with the appropriate EIRP value. Copies of the test scripts for EIRP values from 26 to 37 dBm are available from the Cospas-Sarsat Secretariat on request.

Each row in the table represents a single beacon event. Each beacon event is comprised of 25 beacon bursts with a fixed burst repetition interval of 50 sec. The start time for each beacon event is indicated in the table.

The 15 Hex ID of each beacon event conforms to the following convention:



EIRP 26 dBm To = year/Month/Time (GMT hour:minute:second) e.g. 2011/08/06:43:22			
15 Hex ID of BCN Event	30 Hex Msg of BCN Event	Time of First Burst in BCN Event	Tx Freq (Hz)
9C5C00004000028	CE2E0000200001452F4C00100002C1	To	406062500
9C5C00008000028	CE2E0000400001447A8F40100002C1	To+1	406062600
9C5C00012000028	CE2E0000900001426C6AC0100002C1	To+2	406062700
9C5C00016000028	CE2E0000B0000142A0D400100002C1	To+3	406062800
9C5C00020000028	CE2E0001000001438604C0100002C1	To+4	406062900
9C5C00024000028	CE2E0001200001434ABA00100002C1	To+5	406063000
9C5C00028000028	CE2E0001400001421F7940100002C1	To+6	406063500
9C5C00032000028	CE2E000190000144099CC0100002C1	To+7	406063400
9C5C00036000028	CE2E0001B0000144C52200100002C1	To+8	406063300
9C5C00040000028	CE2E0002000001409E6600100002C1	To+9	406063200
9C5C00044000028	CE2E00022000014052D8C0100002C1	To+10	406063100
9C5C00048000028	CE2E000240000141071B80100002C1	To+11	406063000
9C5C00052000028	CE2E00029000014711FE00100002C1	To+12	406062500

9C5C00056000028	CE2E0002B0000147DD40C0100002C1	To+13	406062600
9C5C00060000028	CE2E000300000146FB9000100002C1	To+14	406062700
9C5C00064000028	CE2E000320000146372EC0100002C1	To+15	406062800
9C5C00068000028	CE2E00034000014762ED80100002C1	To+16	406062900
9C5C00072000028	CE2E000390000141740800100002C1	To+17	406063000
9C5C00076000028	CE2E0003B0000141B8B6C0100002C1	To+18	406063500
9C5C00080000028	CE2E000400000146AEA380100002C1	To+19	406063400
9C5C00084000028	CE2E000420000146621D40100002C1	To+20	406063300
9C5C00088000028	CE2E00044000014737DE00100002C1	To+21	406063200
9C5C00092000028	CE2E000490000141213B80100002C1	To+22	406063100
9C5C00096000028	CE2E0004B0000141ED8540100002C1	To+23	406063000
9C5C00100000028	CE2E000800000143795040100002C1	To+24	406062500
9C5C00104000028	CE2E000820000143B5EE80100002C1	To+25	406062600
9C5C00108000028	CE2E000840000142E02DC0100002C1	To+26	406062700
9C5C00112000028	CE2E000890000144F6C840100002C1	To+27	406062800
9C5C00116000028	CE2E0008B00001443A7680100002C1	To+28	406062900
9C5C00120000028	CE2E0009000001451CA640100002C1	To+29	406063000
9C5C00124000028	CE2E000920000145D01880100002C1	To+30	406063500
9C5C00128000028	CE2E00094000014485DBC0100002C1	To+31	406063400
9C5C00132000028	CE2E000990000142933E40100002C1	To+32	406063300
9C5C00136000028	CE2E0009B00001425F8080100002C1	To+33	406063200
9C5C00140000028	CE2E000A0000014604C480100002C1	To+34	406063100
9C5C00144000028	CE2E000A20000146C87A40100002C1	To+35	406063000
9C5C00148000028	CE2E000A400001479DB900100002C1	To+36	406062500
9C5C00152000028	CE2E000A900001418B5C80100002C1	To+37	406062600
9C5C00156000028	CE2E000AB000014147E240100002C1	To+38	406062700
9C5C00160000028	CE2E000B00000140613280100002C1	To+39	406062800
9C5C00164000028	CE2E000B20000140AD8C40100002C1	To+40	406062900
9C5C00168000028	CE2E000B40000141F84F00100002C1	To+41	406063000
9C5C00172000028	CE2E000B90000147EEAA80100002C1	To+42	406063500
9C5C00176000028	CE2E000BB0000147221440100002C1	To+43	406063400
9C5C00180000028	CE2E000C00000140340100100002C1	To+44	406063300
9C5C00184000028	CE2E000C20000140F8BFC0100002C1	To+45	406063200
9C5C00188000028	CE2E000C40000141AD7C80100002C1	To+46	406063100
9C5C00192000028	CE2E000C90000147BB9900100002C1	To+47	406063000
9C5C00196000028	CE2E000CB00001477727C0100002C1	To+48	406063500
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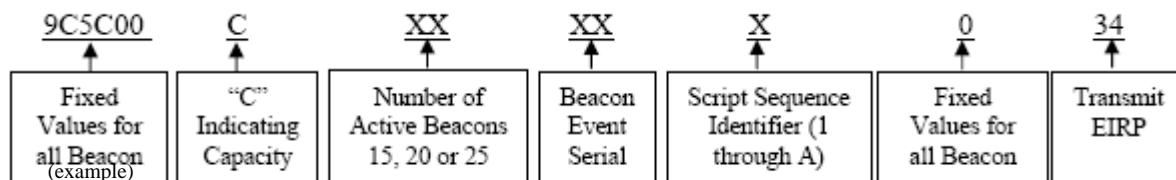
**Table B-1: Test script for Test T-1, T-2 and T-3****- END OF ANNEX B -**

**ANNEX C****TEST SCRIPTS FOR OBJECTIVE T-4  
(Channel Capacity)****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the test signals that will be transmitted by the simulator for objective T-4.

Each script includes 15, 20, or 25 different beacons that transmit 18 beacon bursts with a fixed burst repetition interval of 50 seconds. Each beacon event is comprised of 18 beacon bursts, which may overlap in time. The start of time of the first beacon burst for each beacon event is provided in the table. To obtain sufficient statistics 10 different scripts for each beacon population will be transmitted. The beginning of one script simulating 15 simultaneously active beacons is provided below.

The 15 Hex ID of each beacon event conforms to the following convention:



15 Hex ID of Bcn Event	30 Hex Msg of Bcn Event	Time of First Burst in Bcn Event	Tx Freq (Hz)
9C5C00C15011034	CE2E0060A80881A5224C00100002C1	To	406063000
9C5C00C15151034	CE2E0060A8A881A475A100100002C1	To + 4,14 s	406063000
9C5C00C15041034	CE2E0060A82081A577B740100002C1	To + 7,62 s	406063000
9C5C00C15101034	CE2E0060A88081A4205A40100002C1	To + 8,28 s	406063000
9C5C00C15061034	CE2E0060A83081A555D3C0100002C1	To + 8,72 s	406063000
9C5C00C15071034	CE2E0060A83881A544E180100002C1	To + 10,85 s	406063000
9C5C00C15031034	CE2E0060A81881A5002880100002C1	To + 11,92 s	406063000
9C5C00C15081034	CE2E0060A84081A5BAEC40100002C1	To + 12,05 s	406063000
9C5C00C15111034	CE2E0060A88881A4318800100002C1	To + 16,38 s	406063000
9C5C00C15021034	CE2E0060A81081A5111AC0100002C1	To + 18,22 s	406063000
9C5C00C15091034	CE2E0060A84881A5ABDE00100002C1	To + 20,02 s	406063000
9C5C00C15051034	CE2E0060A82881A5668500100002C1	To + 24,51 s	406063000
9C5C00C15131034	CE2E0060A89881A4130C80100002C1	To + 33,13 s	406063000
9C5C00C15141034	CE2E0060A8A081A4649340100002C1	To + 42,73 s	406063000
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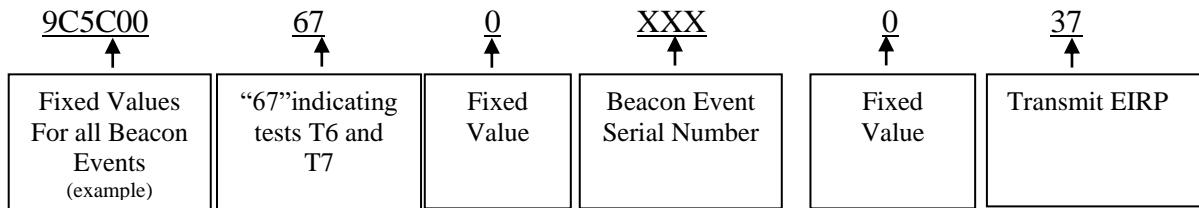
**Table C-1: Test script for Test T-4**



**ANNEX D****TEST SCRIPTS FOR OBJECTIVES T-6 AND T-7****Introduction**

This annex provides a description and schedule of the test signals that will be transmitted by the simulator for objectives T-6 and T-7. Each row in the table represents a single beacon event used in the test script. Each beacon event will replicate a typical 406 MHz distress beacon active for a period of 20 minutes (24 bursts).

The 15 Hex ID of each beacon event conforms to the following convention:



**Table D-1: Test Script for Test T-6 and T-7**

15 Hex ID of BCN event	30 Hex Msg of BCN Event	Time of First burst in BCN Event To + X sec (hh:mm:ss:ccc)	TxFreq (Hz)
9C5C00670001037	CE2E0033800081BB80A1C0100002C1	00:00:02:530	406.061
9C5C00670002037	CE2E0033800101BFC3CF40100002C1	00:10:07:190	406.061
9C5C00670003037	CE2E0033800181BC02EAC0100002C1	00:20:23:320	406.061
9C5C00670004037	CE2E0033800201BEF36A80100002C1	00:30:13:300	406.061
9C5C00670005037	CE2E0033800281BD324F00100002C1	00:40:30:210	406.061
9C5C00670006037	CE2E0033800301B9712180100002C1	00:50:04:550	406.061
9C5C00670007037	CE2E0033800381BAB00400100002C1	01:00:48:570	406.061
9C5C00670008037	CE2E0033800401BC922100100002C1	01:10:20:430	406.061
9C5C00670009037	CE2E0033800481BF530480100002C1	01:20:48:060	406.061
9C5C00670010037	CE2E0033800801B850B600100002C1	01:30:30:300	406.061
9C5C00670011037	CE2E0033800881BB919380100002C1	01:40:35:010	406.061
9C5C00670012037	CE2E0033800901BFD2FD00100002C1	01:50:26:130	406.061
9C5C00670013037	CE2E0033800981BC13D880100002C1	02:00:06:220	406.061
9C5C00670014037	CE2E0033800A01BEE258C0100002C1	02:10:11:150	406.061
9C5C00670015037	CE2E0033800A81BD237D40100002C1	02:20:34:460	406.061
9C5C00670016037	CE2E0033800B01B96013C0100002C1	02:30:26:020	406.061
9C5C00670017037	CE2E0033800B81BAA13640100002C1	02:40:17:080	406.061
9C5C00670018037	CE2E0033800C01BC831340100002C1	02:50:19:180	406.061
9C5C00670019037	CE2E0033800C81BF4236C0100002C1	03:00:11:240	406.061
9C5C00670020037	CE2E0033801001B863E0C0100002C1	03:10:36:540	406.061
9C5C00670021037	CE2E0033801081BBA2C540100002C1	03:20:30:070	406.061

9C5C00670022037	CE2E0033801101BFE1ABC0100002C1	03:30:07:400	406.061
9C5C00670023037	CE2E0033801181BC208E40100002C1	03:40:27:140	406.061
9C5C00670024037	CE2E0033801201BED10E00100002C1	03:50:20:560	406.061
9C5C00670025037	CE2E0033801281BD102B80100002C1	04:00:03:080	406.061
9C5C00670026037	CE2E0033801301B9534500100002C1	04:10:12:220	406.061
9C5C00670027037	CE2E0033801381BA926080100002C1	04:20:11:130	406.061
9C5C00670028037	CE2E0033801401BCB04580100002C1	04:30:44:330	406.061
9C5C00670029037	CE2E0033801481BF716000100002C1	04:40:38:160	406.061
9C5C00670030037	CE2E0033801801B872D280100002C1	04:50:53:260	406.061
9C5C00670031037	CE2E0033801881BBB3F700100002C1	05:00:44:590	406.061
9C5C00670032037	CE2E0033801901BFF09980100002C1	05:10:57:180	406.061
9C5C00670033037	CE2E0033801981BC31BC00100002C1	05:20:52:260	406.061
9C5C00670034037	CE2E0033801A01BEC03C40100002C1	05:30:09:120	406.061
9C5C00670035037	CE2E0033801A81BD0119C0100002C1	05:40:51:320	406.061
9C5C00670036037	CE2E0033801B01B9427740100002C1	05:50:25:530	406.061
9C5C00670037037	CE2E0033801B81BA8352C0100002C1	06:00:04:310	406.061
9C5C00670038037	CE2E0033801C01BCA177C0100002C1	06:10:30:330	406.061
9C5C00670039037	CE2E0033801C81BF605240100002C1	06:20:53:220	406.061
9C5C00670040037	CE2E0033802001B8054D40100002C1	06:30:49:100	406.061
9C5C00670041037	CE2E0033802081BBC468C0100002C1	06:40:28:090	406.061
9C5C00670042037	CE2E0033802101BF870640100002C1	06:50:42:080	406.061
9C5C00670043037	CE2E0033802181BC4623C0100002C1	07:00:25:190	406.061
9C5C00670044037	CE2E0033802201BEB7A380100002C1	07:10:57:170	406.061
9C5C00670045037	CE2E0033802281BD768600100002C1	07:20:38:590	406.061
9C5C00670046037	CE2E0033802301B935E880100002C1	07:30:07:500	406.061
9C5C00670047037	CE2E0033802381BAF4CD00100002C1	07:40:08:510	406.061
9C5C00670048037	CE2E0033802401BCD6E800100002C1	07:50:20:440	406.061
9C5C00670049037	CE2E0033802481BF17CD80100002C1	08:00:13:310	406.061
9C5C00670050037	CE2E0033802801B8147F00100002C1	08:10:09:110	406.061
9C5C00670051037	CE2E0033802881BBD55A80100002C1	08:20:52:560	406.061
9C5C00670052037	CE2E0033802901BF963400100002C1	08:30:36:410	406.061
9C5C00670053037	CE2E0033802981BC571180100002C1	08:40:08:360	406.061
9C5C00670054037	CE2E0033802A01BEA691C0100002C1	08:50:13:480	406.061
9C5C00670055037	CE2E0033802A81BD67B440100002C1	09:00:17:330	406.061
9C5C00670056037	CE2E0033802B01B924DAC0100002C1	09:10:52:130	406.061
9C5C00670057037	CE2E0033802B81BAE5FF40100002C1	09:20:49:210	406.061
9C5C00670058037	CE2E0033802C01BCC7DA40100002C1	09:30:44:040	406.061
9C5C00670059037	CE2E0033802C81BF06FFC0100002C1	09:40:29:370	406.061
9C5C00670060037	CE2E0033803001B82729C0100002C1	09:50:41:370	406.061
9C5C00670061037	CE2E0033803081BBE60C40100002C1	10:00:03:420	406.061
9C5C00670062037	CE2E0033803101BFA562C0100002C1	10:10:49:360	406.061
9C5C00670063037	CE2E0033803181BC644740100002C1	10:20:19:380	406.061
9C5C00670064037	CE2E0033803201BE95C700100002C1	10:30:01:510	406.061
9C5C00670065037	CE2E0033803281BD54E280100002C1	10:40:55:310	406.061
9C5C00670066037	CE2E0033803301B9178C00100002C1	10:50:49:060	406.061
9C5C00670067037	CE2E0033803381BAD6A980100002C1	11:00:38:480	406.061
9C5C00670068037	CE2E0033803401BCF48C80100002C1	11:10:51:020	406.061
9C5C00670069037	CE2E0033803481BF35A900100002C1	11:20:12:160	406.061
9C5C00670070037	CE2E0033803801B8361B80100002C1	11:30:40:580	406.061
9C5C00670071037	CE2E0033803881BBF73E00100002C1	11:40:09:420	406.061
9C5C00670072037	CE2E0033803901BFB45080100002C1	11:50:46:510	406.061

9C5C00670073037	CE2E0033803981BC757500100002C1	12:00:56:180	406.061
9C5C00670074037	CE2E0033803A01BE84F540100002C1	12:10:04:110	406.061
9C5C00670075037	CE2E0033803A81BD45D0C0100002C1	12:20:24:370	406.061
9C5C00670076037	CE2E0033803B01B906BE40100002C1	12:30:12:180	406.061
9C5C00670077037	CE2E0033803B81BAC79BC0100002C1	12:40:26:320	406.061
9C5C00670078037	CE2E0033803C01BCE5BEC0100002C1	12:50:24:090	406.061
9C5C00670079037	CE2E0033803C81BF249B40100002C1	13:00:14:180	406.061
9C5C00670080037	CE2E0033804001B8C81640100002C1	13:10:39:140	406.061
9C5C00670081037	CE2E0033804081BB0933C0100002C1	13:20:35:560	406.061
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9C5C00670286037	CE2E0033814301BBDEFB80100002C1	47:30:43:290	406.061
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9C5C00670288037	CE2E0033814401BE3DFB00100002C1	47:50:10:500	406.061
9C5C00670289037	CE2E0033814481BDFCDE80100002C1	48:00:10:140	406.061

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**ANNEX E****DATA TO BE COLLECTED FOR OBJECTIVES T-1, T-2 AND T-3****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the data to be recorded for each beacon event transmitted by the simulator for objectives T-1, T-2, and T-3. This information provides the foundation for the analysis and conclusions provided in the body of the report.

The table below combines information obtained from the simulator operator, with data collected from the GEOLUT under test. Each row in the table represents a single beacon event.

A separate table should be provided for each run of the simulator (i.e. there should be 4 tables for each EIRP value since each EIRP scenario is repeated 4 times).

These tables should be included as an annex in the Louch Performance Evaluation Report provided by each participating Louch GEOLUT operator.

**Table E-1: Results for Tests T-1, T-2 and T-3**

EIRP (dBm)		Date/Time of First Burst in Test Script Run 1							
15 Hex ID Tx by Simulator	Time of First Burst in Bcn Event	Time GEOLUT provided First Valid Msg	First Valid Msg C/No Measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	Time GEOLUT provided First Complete Msg	First Complete Msg C/No Measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	Time GEOLUT Provided Confirmed Msg	Confirmed Complete Msg C/No Measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	Freq Transmitted (Hz)	Calibrated Freq Measured by GEOLUT for first Valid Message (Hz)

The time required for the GEOLUT to produce a valid message for each beacon event can be calculated by taking the difference between columns 3 and 2. The time to produce complete and confirmed complete message is the difference between columns 5 and 2, and 7 and 2.

- END OF ANNEX E -

## **ANNEX F**

## DATA TO BE COLLECTED FOR OBJECTIVE T-4

## Introduction

This annex provides a description of the data which should be recorded for each beacon event transmitted by the simulator for objective T-4. This information provides the foundation for the analysis and conclusions provided in the body of the report.

The table below combines information obtained from the simulator operator, with data collected by the GEOLUT under test. Each row in the table represents a single beacon event.

A separate table should be provided for each run of a test script (i.e. there should be 10 tables for each simulated traffic load).

These tables should be included as an annex in the Louch Performance Evaluation Report provided by each participating Louch GEOLUT operator.

- END OF ANNEX F -

**ANNEX G****DATA TO BE COLLECTED FOR OBJECTIVES T-6 AND T-7****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the data which should be recorded for each beacon event transmitted by the simulator for objectives T-6 and T-7. This information provides the foundation for the analysis and conclusions provided in the body of the report.

The table below combines information obtained from the simulator operator, with data collected by the GEOLUT under test. Each row in the table represents a single beacon event.

This table should be included as an annex in the Louch Performance Evaluation Report provided by each participating Louch GEOLUT operator.

15 Hex ID Tx by Simulator	Time of First Burst in Bcn Event	Time GEOLUT Provided First Valid Msg	First Valid Msg C/No measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	Time GEOLUT Provided First Complete Message	First Complete Msg C/No measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	Time GEOLUT Provided First Confirmed Complete Msg	Confirmed Complete Msg C/No measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)	LEOSAR Interference (Y/N)

- END OF ANNEX G -



**ANNEX H****DATA TO BE COLLECTED FOR OBJECTIVE T-8****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the data which should be recorded for each processing anomaly noted in the 406 MHz channel reserved for reference beacons.

This table should be included as an annex in the Louch Performance Evaluation Report provided by each participating Louch GEOLUT operator.

<b>15 Hex ID Produced by GEOLUT</b>	<b>15 Hex ID of Associated Reference Beacon</b>	<b>Beacon Message Produced by GEOLUT (30 Hex)</b>	<b>C/No of Message as Measured by GEOLUT (dBHz)</b>	<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>LUT in LEO Footprint (Y/N)</b>

\_\_\_\_\_ = Total duration that the GEOLUT was in the footprint of a LEOSAR satellite during the 4 week period of observation.

- END OF ANNEX H -



**ANNEX I****DATA TO BE COLLECTED FOR OBJECTIVE T-9****Introduction**

This annex provides a description of the data which should be recorded for test T-9 (Louch coverage), for the test using beacon events of opportunity.

This table should be included as an annex in the Louch Performance Evaluation Report provided by each participating Louch GEOLUT operator.

15 Hex ID	Location Determined by LEOSAR System	LEOSAR Detection Time	Detected by GEOLUT (Yes / No)

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**ANNEX J****Tentative Schedule of the LOUCH GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Programme**

Milestone	2012					2013							
	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
Approval of Louch GEOSAR Performance Evaluation Plan by CSC-49			◆										
Louch GEOSAR Test preparation and Coordination													
Louch GEOSAR Main Test campaign													
Test report preparation and internal review													
Report is ready to be submitted to the Cospas-Sarsat Secretariat													◆

Note: The main test campaign (which requires the using of beacon simulator) is expected to take less than a week and is assumed to be conducted within two months period. The duration and exact dates are subject to the availability of a beacon simulator which may also be involved in the MEOSAR D&E activities.

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