Security Technical and Organizational Measures (TOM) Appendix for SITA Message Relay service schedule

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APPENDIX 2 FOR ANNEX A OF DATA PROTECTION AGREEMENT

1. Purpose

The Security Measures Appendix's purpose is to list all the technical and organizational measures (TOM) implemented by SITA to secure any personal data processed as defined in the Data Processing Agreement (DPA) to which this appendix is attached.

The security measures defined in section 3 implement the requirements of Article 32 of the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and its protection objectives in concrete terms.

The detailed measures apply to the Service.

Evidence of the measures implemented and maintained by SITA may be requested by the Customer.

Relevant references to the respective ISO 27002:2022 controls are attached to each of the measures.

2. Definitions and Explanations

2.1. Explanation of GDPR principles (Art. 5)

Lawfulness, fairness, and transparency: the organization must identify valid grounds to process data, handle it in ways that people would reasonably expect and to inform people about their personal data being processed.

Purpose limitation: the organization must be clear about personal data processing purpose and specify it in privacy information for individuals. Valid ground must be obtained (e.g., consent) in case of new purpose.

Data minimization: the organization must ensure the processed personal data is adequate, relevant and limited to only what is necessary.

Accuracy: the organization must ensure the held personal data is accurate and take responsible steps to correct or erase the data as soon as possible if an inconsistence or error is discovered.

Storage limitation: the organization must not keep personal data for longer than needed and must justify how long is personal data kept, with clear retention periods. Held personal data should be reviewed, erased, or anonymized when no longer needed.

Integrity and confidentiality (security): the organization must ensure to have appropriate security measures in place to protect the held personal data.

Accountability: the organization must take responsibility for what it does with personal data and how it complies with other principles. Measures and records should be available to demonstrate compliance.

2.2. Definitions specific to this Appendix:

ANSSI: means French National Agency for the Security of Information Systems, which is a French service created on 7 July 2009 with responsibility for computer security. The agency is responsible for proposing rules for the protection of state information systems and verifying the implementation of measures adopted.

CAB: means Change Advisory Board which is the managerial instance supporting the assessment, prioritization, authorization, and scheduling of changes.

CPU: means Central Processing Unit which is the component of a computer system that controls the interpretation and execution of instructions.

CWE: means Common Weakness Enumeration which is a community-developed list of software and hardware weakness types. It serves as a common language, a measuring stick for security tools, and as a baseline for weakness identification, mitigation, and prevention efforts.

DMZ: means Demilitarized Zone which is a perimeter network that protects and adds an extra layer of security to an internal local-area network from untrusted traffic.

Encryption means a computing process that encodes plaintext/cleartext (unencrypted, human-readable data) into ciphertext (encrypted data) that is accessible only by authorized users with the right cryptographic key.

IDS: means Intrusion Detection System which is a device or software application that monitors a network or systems for malicious activity or policy violations.

IPS: means Intrusion Prevention System which is a system that can detect an intrusive activity and can also attempt to stop the activity, ideally before it reaches its targets.

IP: means Internet Protocol which is the principal communications protocol in the IETF Internet protocol suite for specifying system address information when relaying datagrams across network boundaries.

IPVPN: means Internet Protocol Virtual Private Network which is a networking technology that allows users to connect to their main network remotely, using MPLS technology to prioritize internet traffic and avoid public gateway to increase security.

ITSM: means IT Service Management tool which is a software solution that helps organisations manage the lifecycle of IT services: provision, tracking changes, managing incidents and requests.

MFA: means Multi-Factor Authentication which is an authentication method that requires the user to provide two or more verification factors to gain access to a resource.

MPLS: means Multiprotocol Label Switching which is a networking technology that routes traffic using the shortest path based on labels rather than network addresses, to handle forwarding over private wide area networks.

NTP: means Network Time Protocol which is an internet protocol used to synchronize with computer clock time sources in a network.

OS: means Operating System which is a program that runs on a computer and provides a software platform on which other programs can run.

OVA: means Open Virtual Machine format which is an open standard for packaging and distributing virtual appliances or, more generally, software to be run in virtual machines.

OWASP Top 10: means Open Web Application Security Project Top 10 which is a regularly updated report outlining security concerns for web application security, focusing on the 10 most critical risks observed in the industry at the moment of release.

PAM: means Privileged Access Management which is the combination of tools and technology used to secure, control and monitor access to an organization's critical information and resources.

QA: means Quality Assurance which is the environment in which tests are performed to ensure that the software complies with minimum quality requirements, before being deployed into production.

RBAC: means Role Based Access Control model which is an approach to handling security and permissions in which roles and permissions are assigned within an organization's IT infrastructure and applications. Access permissions are assigned based on a defined role model. Defined user roles represent a set of work processes within the organization.

SAST, DAST and/or SCA: means tools for a secure code review, being a specialized task involving manual and/or automated review of an application's source code to identify security-related vulnerabilities. Static Application Security Testing (SAST) aims at identifying common flaws before compiling a release. Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST) aims at examining a running build and detect issues such as misconfiguration and error handling. Software Composition Analysis (SCA) is an automated process that identifies vulnerabilities in software libraries and open-source components licenses in a codebase. This analysis is performed to evaluate security, license compliance, and code quality.

Service: means SITA Message Relay service.

SHA: means Secure Hash Algorithm which is a hash algorithm with the property that it is computationally infeasible to find a message that corresponds to a given message digest, or to find two different messages that produce the same message digest.

SIEM: means Security Information and Event Management which supports threat detection, compliance and security incident management through the collection and analysis (both near real time and historical) of logs, allowing to raise alerts based on security events.

SoD: means Segregation of Duties which is the concept of having more than one person required to complete a task. It is an administrative control used by organisations to prevent fraud, sabotage, theft, misuse of information, and other security compromises.

SSH: means Secure Shell Protocol which is a cryptographic network protocol for operating network services securely over an unsecured network.

SSL: means Secure Socket Layer which is a security protocol providing privacy and data integrity between two communicating applications. The protocol is composed of two layers: the TLS Record Protocol and the TLS Handshake Protocol.

SUID: means SITA Unique Identifier which is a unique ID attributed to message and captured in logs to track the message path within SITA message distribution services to ensure it is provided to receiver.

TACACS+: means Terminal Access Controller Access-Control System Plus which is a security protocol handling remote authentication and related services for network access control through a centralized server.

TLS: means Transport Layer Security which is a cryptographic protocol that provides end-to-end security of data sent between applications over a network.

VM: means Virtual Machine which is a software-defined complete execution stack consisting of virtualized hardware, operating system (guest OS), and applications.

VPN: means Virtual Private Network which provides a secure, often encrypted connection between two private networks over a public network. A site-to-site VPN is designed to securely connect two geographically distributed sites. A remote access VPN is designed to link remote users securely to a corporate network.

3. Security Technical and Organizational Measures (TOM)

3.1. Global SITA security measures

SITA has implemented security measures that apply to the organization as a whole, and hence to all of SITA's products and services.

Please refer to the following link to have access to these global security measures:

https://www.sita.aero/globalassets/docs/other/Global-Security-TOMs.pdf

This link may be updated periodically by SITA but it shall not be amended in such a way that causes material decrease in security measures applied by SITA under this TOM.

3.2. SITA Message Relay specific security measures

The below security measures are implemented at SITA Message Relay level:

3.2.1. Network security

The below specific network security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Network segmentation: all SITA Messaging products hosted in SITA ATI Cloud are segregated from other SITA networks. This limits the exposure of core Messaging systems for an external attacker. The Service components are located in a DMZ, on a private network behind a load balancer, with access controlled by a firewall. Filtering is also applied to ensure Customers are segregated on Messaging network.
- Firewall: server-based firewalls performing filtering based on source/destination IP/ports is in place; a firewall rule recertification process is defined and followed.
- Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS) and Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS): IPS and IDS are implemented on all network paths and aim to scan network flows such as for malwares and viruses. File integrity checks are also performed on all gateways.
- VPN:
 - A VPN is used by SITA personnel, including system administrators, to access any SITA internal network, including the Service internal network, with MFA required.
 - Customers can access the Service via an IPVPN to connect to the SITA private IP network.
- Network devices hardening: network devices are hardened based on OVA files from the vendors.
- Network authentication: administration on the network equipment is performed via dedicated administrative interfaces on each device. The network access granting mechanism to these interfaces is handled by TACACS+ protocol.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	08.20. Networks security; 08.21. Security of network services; 08.22. Segregation of networks
Related GDPR principles	Integrity and confidentiality (security)

3.2.2. Operational security

The below specific operational security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Antivirus: up-to-date anti-malware and anti-spam plugins are available and enabled,
- Vulnerability management: a vulnerability management policy is documented and implemented:
 - SITA infrastructure management team is monitoring for newly discovered and publicly disclosed vulnerabilities by subscribing to several platforms/forums. Information on vulnerabilities may also come from the SITA information security team,

- Various vulnerability scans using dedicated scanning tools are regularly performed on the Messaging environments and SITA assets: monthly scans on the internet-facing SITA assets and ad-hoc scans every 60 to 90 days in the Messaging QA and Production environments
- Patch management: a patch management policy is documented and implemented:
 - o A dedicated team is in place for patch management activities,
 - All security patches are tested and certified in a test environment before being deployed in production,
 - All patching activities are tracked in SITA ITSM tool.
- A change management procedure is documented and implemented:
 - \circ Software changes/updates are only performed by authorized personnel who have been properly trained,
 - o An ITSM tool is used to track all software change requests,
 - o All non-standard changes go through the Change Advisory Board (CAB) process,
- Capacity management: a capacity management process is documented and implemented:
 - Monitoring and supervision tools are used to assess and alert on any capacity issues on on-premises components (CPU, memory utilization, resource utilization),
 - The system-level performance is also monitored through a dedicated solution.
- System operating procedures: standard operating procedures are documented,
- Logging and monitoring:
 - o Network and systems components logs are collected and centrally stored into SITA's SIEM,
 - o Application logs are collected and stored into an internal log repository,
 - All systems use the NTP protocol to synchronize their clocks.
- System hardening: VMs are hardened based on dedicated template, developed by SITA infrastructure management team.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	05.37. Documented operating procedures; 08.06. Capacity management; 08.07. Protection against malware; 08.08. Management of technical vulnerabilities; 08.15. Logging; 08.16. Monitoring activities; 08.32. Change management
Related GDPR principles	Integrity and confidentiality (security)

3.2.3. Information protection

The below specific information protection security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Data classification: all messages are considered as confidential as potentially containing personal data,
- Secured information exchange / Data in transit encryption: data in transit is encrypted for both inbound and outbound communications via an IPVPN or through SSL/TLS with SHA-256,
- Information deletion: a data retention policy is implemented:
 - Message data is not stored in the Service, except for message data that cannot be delivered, which is queued and retained for a period of 3 days,
 - SITA shall delete all message data that cannot be delivered without further notice to Customer within 10 days following the end of the 3-day retention period.

References

Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	05.12. Classification of information; 05.14. Information transfer; 08.10. Information deletion; 08.24. Use of cryptography
Related GDPR principles	Data minimization; Accuracy; Storage limitation; Integrity and confidentiality (security)

3.2.4. Access control and authentication

The below specific access control and authentication security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Authentication: only whitelisted Customers' IP addresses can access the application; password complexity rules are enforced for SITA personnel accessing the systems and only nominative accounts are being used.
- Multi-factor authentication: an MFA is required for SITA personnel using VPN to access the Service internal network.
- Protection of authentication information: passwords are stored encrypted,
- Restricted access to source code: the Service relies on a commercial solution developed by an external provider, which neither has access to production environments nor to SITA Customers' data. Access to source code is restricted to only a limited and pre-defined number of people, which have background clearances.
- Access Management: a process for registering and deregistering users is implemented and is tied to the contract with Customers. All access requests are followed up in an ITSM tool. An appropriate approval process is also in place. Customers accesses are reviewed on a monthly basis. SITA employees' accesses are reviewed on a quarterly basis.
- Privileged Access Management: an RBAC model is implemented with a dedicated Administrator role; remote access to resources by support and operations teams is performed securely using an encrypted connection (SSH) and a jump server; All privileged accounts actions are logged.
- Segregation of Duties: SoD is enforced using RBAC model.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	05.15. Access control; 05.17. Authentication information; 05.18. Access rights; 08.02. Privileged access rights; 08.03. Information access restriction; 08.04. Access to source code; 08.05. Secure authentication
Related GDPR principles	Integrity and confidentiality (security)

3.2.5. Application security

The below specific application security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Secure coding: the Service relies on a commercial solution developed by an external provider, which follows SITA's secure coding policies, including:
 - The use of SAST, DAST and/or SCA tools to check against vulnerabilities (OWASP Top 10, CWE 25) in the code,
 - o A dedicated approval process to merge and push the code, based on defined RBAC model.

The code also goes through an important review by ANSSI, for government certification and approval for use in regulated industries.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	08.26. Application security requirements; 08.27. Secure system architecture and engineering principles
Related GDPR principles	Purpose limitation; Data minimization; Storage limitation

3.2.6. Service resilience

The below specific service resilience security measures are implemented for the Service:

- Systems redundancy: redundancy of both frontend and backend systems infrastructure is supported with Active/Active failover. This aims to ensure its high availability of the Service.
- Crisis management: crisis management and major incidents processes are documented and implemented, with dedicated communication paths and escalation process.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	08.14 Redundancy of information processing activities
Related GDPR principles	Storage limitation; Integrity and confidentiality (security)

3.2.7. Cloud security

The below specific cloud security measures are implemented for the Service:

- SITA ATI Cloud datacenter access restriction: a cloud security policy is in place with strict restrictions implemented:
 - Access control lists that define what resources users are permitted to access; closed circuit video equipment coverage at the facility perimeter at all access control points; security camera monitoring; facility-based security video data recorded and retained for at least 90 days; datacenter access restricted with MFA; 24x7x365 onsite security staff providing additional protection against unauthorized entry; audit trails, log collection and monitoring; regular physical security independent audits.
- SITA ATI Cloud infrastructure redundancy: SITA ATI Cloud infrastructure includes compute, network, storage and management plane redundancies, to ensure resiliency and high availability.
- SITA ATI Cloud backup recovery testing: a dedicated solution is used to perform data backups of critical datacenter management systems and to monitor the backups for completion status; backups are stored offsite via cloud infrastructure with a retention period of 7 days managed through the dedicated solution; on a daily basis, a report evidencing the success or failure of each scheduled backup is generated.

References	
Related ISO/IEC 27002:2022 controls	05.23 Information security for use of cloud services; 08.14 Redundancy of information processing activities
Related GDPR principles	Integrity and confidentiality (security)