

# Key Provisioning for Group Communication using ACE

[draft-ietf-ace-key-groupcomm-07](#)

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# Quick Recap

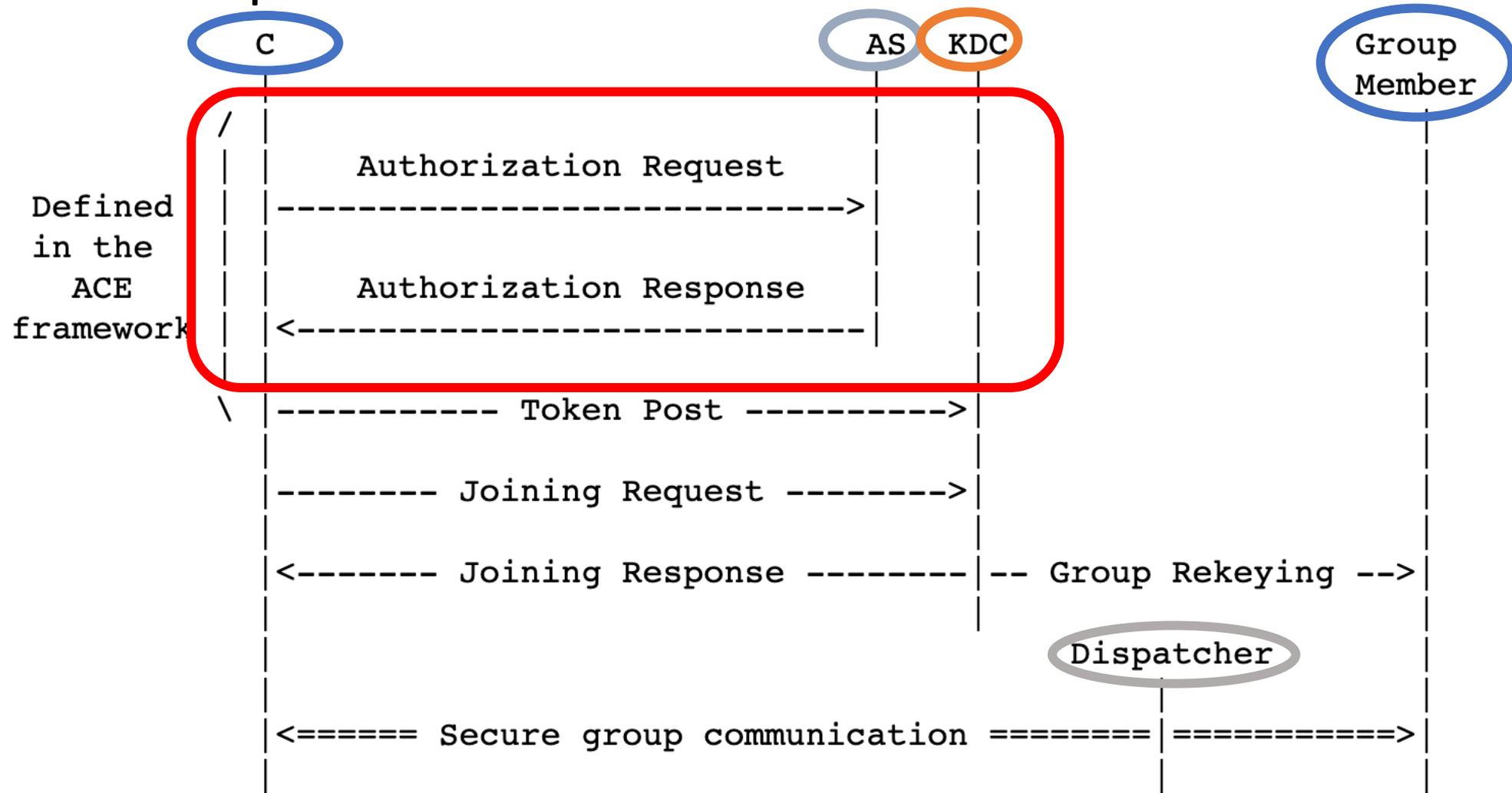


Figure 2: Message Flow Upon New Node's Joining

# What happened since Interim 18-05-2020 – status update

Version -07 was submitted June 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 based on Daniel's review and leftover points discussed during last interim:

- Jim's question 6 - Keeping the same key identifier for groups → agreed during last interim that it was resolved with recent updates.
- Jim's question 5 - Congestion control needs to be included → Added some considerations about that: [f0d159](#)
- Jim review -04 - 4 open points:
  - Normalize scope → Added informative reference to aif: [8d116c](#) \*
  - MUST NOT not testable → removed in [7025c9](#)
  - Add “nodes” to Uri-path of resource: /ace-group/GROUPNAME/nodes/NODE → was done in previous updates
  - Request previous keying material → agreed during last interim that we did not want to add this functionality
- Jim's question 1 - When does a KDC need to roll the keys over → Added security considerations: [7e1deb](#)
- Peter review -03 → editorial except for one point specific to ace-key-groupcomm-oscore. Almost\* everything implemented: [7fda36](#)

\* Follow up points discussed today

# Daniel's review -06

- Daniel review -06 → [answered](#) and implemented in [7450ee](#) and [9a3b2d](#):

Main change: registered the new ace parameters to the “OAuth Parameters Registry” + “OAuth Parameters CBOR Mappings Registry” instead of “AS Request Creation Hints”

o Parameter name: sign\_info

o Parameter usage location: token request,  
token response

o Change Controller: IESG

o Specification Document(s): [[This  
specification]]

o Parameter name: pub\_key\_enc

o Parameter usage location: token request,  
token response

o Change Controller: IESG

o Specification Document(s): [[This  
specification]]

o Parameter name: kdcchallenge

o Parameter usage location: token response

o Change Controller: IESG

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specification]]

This is consistent with the new Ace parameters in OSCORE profile: nonce1 and nonce2

# Normalized scope

Example of scope:      gid = bstr  
                          role = tstr  
                          scope\_entry = [ gid , ? ( role / [ 2\*role ] ) ]  
                          scope = << [ + scope\_entry ] >>

## How to use aif for Group OSCORE communication?

- Gid = h'01'
- Group resource = /topic-01
- Nodes can be requester, responder, monitor, requester+responder

# Normalized scope

## Roles:

- Requester: sends group requests and accept group responses
- Responder: accept group requests and sends group responses
- Requester+Responder: sends and accepts both
- Monitor: accepts group requests and does not reply

Let's say "role" of "scope-entry" is formatted with aif:

## Problems:

- **aif only specifies policies for request methods, while roles also refers to responses.**
- **AS does not necessarily know the group resource.**

```
gid = h'01'  
group resource uri-path = /topic-01
```

```
[ h'01' , "requester" ]  
=  
[ h'01', ["/topic-01", 63]]   (63 = all methods)
```

```
[ h'01' , "responder" ]  
=  
[ h'01', ["/topic-01", 0]]   (0 = no method)
```

```
[ h'01' , [ "responder" , "requester" ] ]  
=  
[ h'01', [ [ "/topic-01", 0] , [ "/topic-01", 63] ] ]
```

```
[ h'01' , "monitor" ]  
=  
[ h'01', ["/topic-01", ???]]
```

# Terminology

- Peter wanted us to define new terminology:
  - "management channel" = Client – KDC
  - "group channel" = Client – other group members
- We don't think this would help a lot in the document, and would prefer not to define new terminology.
- If there are sections where it is not clear between what parties the exchange is, we will rephrase.

# Plan forward

- WGLC?