# **Digital Signature Service Core Protocols, Elements, and Bindings**

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This document defines XML request/response protocols for signing and verifying XML documents and other data. It also defines an XML timestamp format, and an XML signature property for use with these protocols. Finally, it defines transport and security bindings for the protocols.

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## 1 Introduction

- 132 This specification defines the XML syntax and semantics for the Digital Signature Service core
- protocols, and for some associated core elements. The core protocols support the server-based
- 134 creation and verification of different types of signatures and timestamps. The core elements
- include an XML timestamp format, and an XML signature property to contain a representation of
- 136 a client's identity.

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- 137 The core protocols are typically bound into other protocols for transport and security, such as
- HTTP and TLS. This document provides an initial set of bindings. The core protocols are also
- typically profiled to constrain optional features and add additional features. Other specifications
- are being produced which profile the core for particular applications scenarios.
- 141 The following sections describe how to understand the rest of this specification.

#### 1.1 Notation

- 143 The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD",
- "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this specification are to be
- interpreted as described in IETF RFC 2119 [RFC 2119]. These keywords are capitalized when
- used to unambiguously specify requirements over protocol features and behavior that affect the
- interoperability and security of implementations. When these words are not capitalized, they are
- meant in their natural-language sense.
- This specification uses the following typographical conventions in text: <DSSElement>,
- 150 <ns:ForeignElement>, Attribute, **Datatype**, OtherCode.
- 151 Listings of DSS schemas appear like this.

## 1.2 Schema Organization and Namespaces

- 153 The structures described in this specification are contained in the schema file [Core-XSD]. All
- 154 schema listings in the current document are excerpts from the schema file. In the case of a
- disagreement between the schema file and this document, the schema file takes precedence.
- 156 This schema is associated with the following XML namespace:
- 157 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:core:schema
- 158 If a future version of this specification is needed, it will use a different namespace.
- 159 Conventional XML namespace prefixes are used in the schema:
  - The prefix dss: stands for the DSS core namespace [Core-XSD].
  - The prefix ds: stands for the W3C XML Signature namespace [XMLSig].
- The prefix xs: stands for the W3C XML Schema namespace [Schema1].
  - The prefix saml: stands for the OASIS SAML Schema namespace [SAMLCore1.1].
- Applications MAY use different namespace prefixes, and MAY use whatever namespace defaulting/scoping conventions they desire, as long as they are compliant with the Namespaces in XML specification [XML-ns].
- The following schema fragment defines the XML namespaces and other header information for the DSS core schema:

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      xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#"
171
      xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
172
      xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.0:assertion"
173
      targetNamespace="urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:core:schema"
174
         elementFormDefault="qualified" attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
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#### 1.3 DSS Overview (Non-normative)

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176 This specification describes two XML-based request/response protocols – a signing protocol and a verifying protocol. Through these protocols a client can send documents (or document hashes) 177 178 to a server and receive back a signature on the documents; or send documents (or document 179 hashes) and a signature to a server, and receive back an answer on whether the signature 180 verifies the documents.

181 These operations could be useful in a variety of contexts – for example, they could allow clients to 182 access a single corporate key for signing press releases, with centralized access control, 183 auditing, and archiving of signature requests. They could also allow clients to create and verify 184 signatures without needing complex client software and configuration.

185 The signing and verifying protocols are chiefly designed to support the creation and verification of 186 XML signatures [XMLSig], XML timestamps (see section 5.1), binary timestamps [RFC 3161] and CMS signatures [RFC3369]. These protocols may also be extensible to other types of 187 188 signatures and timestamps, such as PGP signatures [RFC 2440].

189 It is expected that the signing and verifying protocols will be profiled to meet many different application scenarios. In anticipation of this, these protocols have only a minimal set of required 190 elements, which deal with transferring "input documents" and signatures back and forth between client and server. The input documents to be signed or verified can be transferred in their 192 193 entirety, or the client can hash the documents itself and only send the hash values, to save bandwidth and protect the confidentiality of the document content. 194

All functionality besides transferring input documents and signatures is relegated to a framework of "optional inputs" and "optional outputs". This document defines a number of optional inputs and outputs. Profiles of these protocols can pick and choose which optional inputs and outputs to support, and can introduce their own optional inputs and outputs when they need functionality not anticipated by this specification.

Examples of optional inputs to the signing protocol include: what type of signature to produce, which key to sign with, who the signature is intended for, and what signed and unsigned properties to place in the signature. Examples of optional inputs to the verifying protocol include: the time for which the client would like to know the signature's validity status, additional validation data necessary to verify the signature (such as certificates and CRLs), and requests for the server to return information such as the signer's name or the signing time.

206 The signing and verifying protocol messages must be transferred over some underlying 207 protocol(s) which provide message transport and security. A binding specifies how to use the 208 signing and verifying protocols with some underlying protocol, such as HTTP POST or TLS. 209

Section 6 provides an initial set of bindings.

210 In addition to defining the signing and verifying protocols, this specification defines two XML 211 elements that are related to these protocols. First, an XML timestamp element is defined in 212 section 5.1. The signing and verifying protocols can be used to create and verify XML timestamps; a profile for doing so is defined in [XML-TSP]. Second, a Requester Identity 213 214 element is defined in section 5.2. This element can be used as a signature property in an XML 215 signature, to give the name of the end-user who requested the signature.

## **2 Common Protocol Structures**

217 The following sections describe XML structures and types that are used in multiple places.

#### 2.1 Type AnyType

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The **AnyType** complex type allows arbitrary XML element content within an element of this type (see section 3.2.1 Element Content [XML]).

## 2.2 Type InternationalStringType

The **InternationalStringType** complex type attaches an xml:lang attribute to a human-readable string to specify the string's language.

## 2.3 Type saml:NameIdentifierType

- The **saml:NameIdentifierType** complex type is used where different types of names are needed (such as email addresses, Distinguished Names, etc.). This type is borrowed from [**SAMLCore1.1**] section 2.4.2.2. It consists of a string with the following attributes:
- 242 NameQualifier [Optional]
- The security or administrative domain that qualifies the name of the subject. This attribute provides a means to federate names from disparate user stores without collision.
- 245 Format [Optional]
- A URI reference representing the format in which the string is provided. See section 7.3 of [SAMLCore1.1] for some URI references that may be used as the value of the Format attribute.

## 2.4 Element <InputDocuments>

The <InputDocuments> element is used to send input documents to a DSS server, whether for signing or verifying. An input document can be any piece of data that can be used as input to a signature or timestamp calculation. An input document can even be a signature or timestamp (for example, a pre-existing signature can be counter-signed or timestamped). An input document could also be a <ds:Manifest>, allowing the client to handle manifest creation and verification while using the server to create and verify the rest of the signature.

257 The <InputDocuments> element consists of any number of the following elements:

258 < Document > [Any Number]

It contains an XML document as specified in section 2.4.2 of this document.

260 <TransformedData> [Any Number]

This contains the binary output of a chain of transforms applied by a client as specified in section 2.4.3 of this document.

263 < DocumentHash > [Any Number]

This contains the hash value of an XML document or some other data after a client has applied a sequence of transforms and also computed a hash value as specified in section 2.4.4 of this document.

<Other>

Other may contain arbitrary content that may be specified in a profile and can also be used to extend the Protocol for details see section 2.1.

When using DSS to create or verify XML signatures, each input document will usually correspond to a single <ds:Reference> element. Thus, in our descriptions below of the <Document>, <TransformedData> and <DocumentHash> elements, we will explain how certain elements and attributes of a <Document>, <TransformedData> and <DocumentHash> correspond to components of a <ds:Reference>.

## 2.4.1 Type DocumentBaseType

The **DocumentBaseType** complex type is subclassed by <Document>, <TransformedData> and <DocumentHash> elements. It contains the basic information shared by subclasses and remaining persistent during the process from input document retrieval until digest calculation for the relevant document. It contains the following elements and attributes:

293 ID [Optional]

This identifier gives the input document a unique label within a particular request message. Through this identifier, an optional input (see sections 2.7, 3.5.6 and 3.5.7) can refer to a particular input document.

297 Refuri [Optional]

This specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's URI attribute when referring to this input document. The Refuri attribute SHOULD be specified; no more than one Refuri attribute may be omitted in a single signing request.

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301 RefType [Optional]

302 This specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's Type attribute when referring to 303 this input document.

304 SchemaRefs [Optional]:

> This may be used when the document contains XML documents or signatures. It refers a single XML Schema [Schema1] which gives the ID attributes of elements within the input document, which may be necessary if the included signatures' <ds:Reference> elements use XPointer expressions or <ds:Transforms> require it. The <Schema> is to be used during parsing in sections 2.5.2, 3.3.1 1.a and 4.3 and for XPath evaluation in sections 2.6, 3.5.7, 4.3.1 if they are supplied. If anything else but <Schema>, <Schema> are referred to from here the server MUST report an Error. If a referred Schema is not used by the document this MAY be ignored or reported to the client in the <Result>/<ResultMessage>.

> A Document shall only refer to a single <Schema> or <Schema> element. If a <Schema>> element is referred to the document is validated against the first <Schema> inside <Schemas> and the other <Schema> elements inside <Schema> are assumed to be used by the first <Schema>.

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      <xs:complexType name="DocumentBaseType" abstract="true">
319
          <xs:attribute name="ID" type="xs:ID" use="optional"/>
320
          <xs:attribute name="RefURI" type="xs:ID" use="optional"/>
321
          <xs:attribute name="RefType" type="xs:ID" use="optional"/>
322
          <xs:attribute name="SchemaRefs" type="xs:IDREFS" use="optional"/>
323
324
      </xs:complexType>
```

#### 2.4.2 Element < Document>

The <Document> element may contain the following elements (in addition to the common ones 326 327 listed in section 2.4.1):

328 If the content inside one of the following mutually exclusive elements <InlineXML>, <EscapedXML> or <Base64XML> is not parseable XML data, then the server MUST return a 329 330 <Result> (section 2.6) issuing a <ResultMajor> RequesterError qualified by a 331 <ResultMinor> NotParseableXMLDocument.

332 The server MUST use the <Schema> referred by <SchemaRefs> for validation if specified.

333 <Base64XML> [Optional] [Default]

334 This contains a base64 string obtained after base64 encoding of a XML data. The server MUST decode it to obtain the XML data. 335

336 <InlineXML> [Optional]

> The InlineXMLType clearly expresses the fact, that content of <InlineXML> is inline xml that should be equivalent to a complete XML Document. I.e. having only one DocumentElement (see section 2.1 Well-Formed XML Documents [XML]) and not allowing anything but PI's and Comments before and after this one element.

It contains the ignorePIs and ignoreComments attributes. These attributes indicate 342 respectively, if processing instructions or comments MAY be ignored.

343 If one or both of these attributes are not present, their values MUST be considered to be 344 "true".

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345 <EscapedXML> [Optional]
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This contains an escaped string. The server MUST unescape (escape sequences are processed to produce original XML sequence) it for obtaining xml data.

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348 <Base64Data> [Optional]
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This contains a base64 encoding of data that are not XML. The type of data is specified by its MimeType attribute. The MimeType attribute is not required for XML signatures, but may be required when using DSS with other signature types.

SchemaRefs [Optional]:

As described above in 2.4.1.

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      <xs:element name="Document" type="dss:DocumentType"/>
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      <xs:complexType name="DocumentType">
358
        <xs:complexContent>
359
         <xs:extension base="dss:DocumentBaseType">
360
          <xs:choice>
361
           <xs:element name="InlineXML" type="dss:InlineXMLType"/>
362
           <xs:element name="Base64XML" type="xs:base64Binary"/>
363
           <xs:element name="EscapedXML" type="xs:string"/>
364
               <xs:element ref="dss:Base64Data"/>
365
          </xs:choice>
366
         </xs:extension>
367
         </xs:complexContent>
368
      </xs:complexType>
369
370
      <xs:element name="Base64Data">
371
          <xs:complexType>
372
              <xs:simpleContent>
373
                   <xs:extension base="xs:base64Binary">
374
                       <xs:attribute name="MimeType" type="xs:string"</pre>
375
                                     use="optional">
376
                   </xs:extension>
377
              </xs:simpleContent>
378
          </xs:complexType>
379
      </xs:element>
380
381
      <xs:complexType name="InlineXMLType">
382
                    <xs:sequence>
383
                           <xs:any processContents="lax"/>
384
                    </xs:sequence>
385
                    <xs:attribute name="ignorePIs" type="xs:boolean"</pre>
386
                                  use="optional" default="true"/>
387
                    <xs:attribute name="ignoreComments" type="xs:boolean"</pre>
388
                                  use="optional" default="true"/>
389
             </xs:complexType>
```

#### 2.4.3 Element < Transformed Data >

The <TransformedData> element contains the following elements (in addition to the common ones listed in section 2.4.1):

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393 <ds:Transforms> [Optional]
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This is the sequence of transforms applied by the client and specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's <ds:Transforms> child element. In other words, this

specifies transforms that the client has already applied to the input document before the server will hash it.

<Base64Data> [Required]

 This gives the binary output of a sequence of transforms to be hashed at the server side.

**2.4.4 Element < Document Hash>** 

The <DocumentHash> element contains the following elements (in addition to the common ones listed in section 2.4.1):

416 <ds:Transforms> [Optional]

This specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's <ds:Transforms> child element when referring to this document hash. In other words, this specifies transforms that the client has already applied to the input document before hashing it.

<ds:DigestMethod> [Required]

This identifies the digest algorithm used to hash the document at the client side. This specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's <ds:DigestMethod> child element when referring to this input document.

<ds:DigestValue> [Required]

This gives the document's hash value. This specifies the value for a <ds:Reference> element's <ds:DigestValue> child element when referring to this input document.

```
427
      <xs:element name="DocumentHash">
428
          <xs:complexType>
429
               <xs:complexContent>
430
                   <xs:extension base="dss:DocumentBaseType">
431
                       <xs:sequence>
432
                               <xs:element ref="ds:Transforms" minOccurs="0"/>
433
                           <xs:element ref="ds:DigestMethod"/>
434
                           <xs:element ref="ds:DigestValue"/>
435
                       </xs:sequence>
436
                   </xs:extension>
437
              </xs:complexContent>
438
          </xs:complexType>
439
      </xs:element>
```

## 2.5 Element <SignatureObject>

- The <SignatureObject> element contains a signature or timestamp of some sort. This element is returned in a sign response message, and sent in a verify request message. It may contain one of the following child elements:
- 444 <ds:Signature> [Optional]
- 445 An XML signature [XMLSig].
- 446 <Timestamp> [Optional]

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- 447 An XML, RFC 3161 or other timestamp (see section 5.1).
- 448 <Base64Signature> [Optional]
- A base64 encoding of some non-XML signature, such as a PGP [RFC 2440] or CMS [RFC 450 3369] signature. The type of signature is specified by its Type attribute (see section 7.1).
- 451 <SignaturePtr> [Optional]
- This is used to point to an XML signature in an input (for a verify request) or output (for a sign response) document in which a signature is enveloped.
- 454 SchemaRefs [Optional]
- 455 As described above in 2.4.1
- 456 A <SignaturePtr> contains the following attributes:
- 457 WhichDocument [Required]
  - This identifies the input document as in section 2.4.2 being pointed at (see also ID attribute in section 2.4.1).
- 460 XPath [Optional]

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- a) This identifies the signature element being pointed at.
- b) The XPath expression is evaluated from the root node (see section 5.1 [XPATH]) of the document identified by WhichDocument after the xml data was extracted and parsed if necessary. The context node for the XPath evaluation is the document's DocumentElement (see section 2.1 Well-Formed XML Documents [XML]).
- c) about namespace declarations for the expression necessary for evaluation. http://www.w3.org/TR/xpath#section-Introduction see also the following example below. A piece of a XML signature of a <ds:Reference> containing a <ds:Transforms> with a XPath filtering element that includes inline namespace prefixes declaration. This piece of text comes from one of the signatures that were generated in the course of the interoperability experimentation. As one can see they are added to the <ds:XPath> element....:

```
472
      <Reference URI="">
473
        <Transforms>
474
          <ds:Transform xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#";</pre>
475
            Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116";>
476
477
            xmlns:upc1="http://www.ac.upc.edu/namespaces/ns1";
478
               xmlns:upc2="http://www.ac.upc.edu/namespaces/ns2";>ancestor-or-
479
      self::upc1:Root</ds:XPath>
480
          </ds:Transform>
481
        </Transforms>
482
        <DigestMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#shal"/>
483
        <DigestValue>24xf8vfP3xJ40akfFAnEVM/zxXY=</DigestValue>
484
      </Reference>
```

If the XPath does not evaluate to one element the server MUST return a <Result> (section 2.6) issuing a <ResultMajor> RequesterError qualified by a <ResultMinor> XPathEvaluationError.

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Other may contain arbitrary content that may be specified in a profile and can also be used to extend the Protocol.

The following schema fragment defines the <SignatureObject>, <Base64Signature>, and <SignaturePtr> elements:

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494
      <xs:element name="SignatureObject">
495
          <xs:complexType>
496
              <xs:sequence>
497
                  <xs:choice>
498
                      <xs:element ref="ds:Signature"/>
499
                       <xs:element ref="dss:Timestamp"/>
500
                       <xs:element ref="dss:Base64Signature"/>
501
                       <xs:element ref="dss:SignaturePtr"/>
502
                       <xs:element name="Other" ref="dss:AnyType"/>
503
                  </xs:choice>
504
                  <xs:element name="Schema" type="xs:base64Binary"</pre>
505
                               minOccurs="0"/>
506
              </xs:sequence>
507
              <xs:attribute name="SchemaRefs" type="xs:IDREFS" use="optional"/>
508
          </xs:complexType>
509
      </xs:element>
510
      <xs:element name="Base64Signature">
511
          <xs:complexType>
512
              <xs:simpleContent>
513
                 <xs:extension base="xs:base64Binary">
514
                      <xs:attribute name="Type" type="xs:anyURI"/>
515
                  </xs:extension>
516
              </xs:simpleContent>
517
          </xs:complexType>
518
      </xs:element>
519
      <xs:element name="SignaturePtr">
520
          <xs:complexType>
521
              <xs:attribute name="WhichDocument" type="xs:IDREF"/>
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              <xs:attribute name="XPath" type="xs:string" use="optional"/>
523
           </xs:complexType>
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      </xs:element>
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#### 2.6 Element <Result>

- The <Result> element is returned with every response message. It contains the following child elements:
- 528 <ResultMajor> [Required]
- The most significant component of the result code.
- 530 <ResultMinor> [Optional]
- The least significant component of the result code.
- 532 <ResultMessage> [Optional]
  - A message which MAY be returned to an operator, logged, used for debugging, etc.

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      <xs:element name="Result">
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           <xs:complexType>
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               <xs:sequence>
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                   <xs:element name="ResultMajor" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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                   <xs:element name="ResultMinor" type="xs:anyURI"</pre>
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                                minOccurs="0"/>
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                   <xs:element name="ResultMessage"</pre>
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                                type="InternationalStringType" minOccurs="0"/>
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               </xs:sequence>
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           </xs:complexType>
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      </xs:element>
```

The <ResultMajor> and <ResultMinor> URIs MUST be values defined by this specification or by some profile of this specification. The <ResultMajor> values defined by this specification are:

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultmajor:Success

549 The protocol executed successfully.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultmajor:RequesterError

The request could not be satisfied due to an error on the part of the requester.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultmajor:ResponderError

The request could not be satisfied due to an error on the part of the responder.

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This specification defines the following two <ResultMinor> values. These values SHALL only be returned when the <ResultMajor> code is RequesterError:

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:NotAuthorized

The client is not authorized to perform the request.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:NotSupported

The server didn't recognize or doesn't support some aspect of the request.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:NotParseableXMLDocument

The server was not able to parse a Document.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:XMLDocumentNotValid

The server was not able to validate a Document.

urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:XPathEvaluationError

The server was not able to evaluate a given XPath as required.

567 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:MoreThanOneRefUriOmitted

The server was not able to create a signature because more than one RefURI was omitted.

The Success <ResultMajor> code on a verify response message SHALL be followed by a <ResultMinor> code which indicates the status of the signature. See section 4 for details.

## 2.7 Elements <OptionalInputs> and <OptionalOutputs>

All request messages can contain an <OptionalInputs> element, and all response messages can contain an <OptionalOutputs> element. Several optional inputs and outputs are defined in this document, and profiles can define additional ones.

The <OptionalInputs> contains additional inputs associated with the processing of the request. Profiles will specify the allowed optional inputs and their default values. The definition of

- 577 an <OptionalInput> MAY include a default value, so that a client may omit the 578 <OptionalInputs> yet still get service from any profile-compliant DSS server.
- If a server doesn't recognize or can't handle any optional input, it MUST reject the request with a ResultMajor> code of RequesterError and a ResultMinor> code of NotSupported (see section 2.6).
- The <OptionalOutputs> element contains additional protocol outputs. The client MAY request the server to respond with certain optional outputs by sending certain optional inputs. The server MAY also respond with outputs the client didn't request, depending on the server's profile and policy.
- The <OptionalInputs> and <OptionalOutputs> elements contain unordered inputs and outputs. Applications MUST be able to handle optional inputs or outputs appearing in any order within these elements. Normally, there will only be at most one occurrence of any particular optional input or output within a protocol message. Where multiple occurrences of an optional input (e.g. <IncludeObject> in section 3.5.6) or optional output are allowed, it will be explicitly specified (see section 4.6.8 for an example).
- The following schema fragment defines the <OptionalInputs> and <OptionalOutputs> elements:

## 2.8 Common Optional Inputs

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598 These optional inputs can be used with both the signing protocol and the verifying protocol.

## 2.8.1 Optional Input <ServicePolicy>

The <ServicePolicy> element indicates a particular policy associated with the DSS service. The policy may include information on the characteristics of the server that are not covered by the Profile attribute (see sections 3.1 and 4.1). The <ServicePolicy> element may be used to select a specific policy if a service supports multiple policies for a specific profile, or as a sanity-check to make sure the server implements the policy the client expects.

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<xs:element name="ServicePolicy" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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## 2.8.2 Optional Input <ClaimedIdentity>

- The <ClaimedIdentity> element indicates the identity of the client who is making a request.

  The server may use this to parameterize any aspect of its processing. Profiles that make use of this element MUST define its semantics.
- The <SupportingInfo> child element can be used by profiles to carry information related to the claimed identity. One possible use of <SupportingInfo> is to carry authentication data that authenticates the request as originating from the claimed identity (examples of authentication data include a password or SAML Assertion [SAMLCore1.1], or a signature or MAC calculated over the request using a client key).
- The claimed identity may be authenticated using the security binding, according to section 6, or using authentication data provided in the <SupportingInfo> element. The server MUST check that the asserted <Name> is authenticated before relying upon the <Name>.

#### 2.8.3 Optional Input <Language>

The <Language> element indicates which language the client would like to receive InternationalStringType values in. The server should return appropriately localized strings, if possible.

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<xs:element name="Language" type="xs:language"/>
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#### 2.8.4 Optional Input <AdditionalProfile>

The <AdditionalProfile> element can appear multiple times in a request. It indicates additional profiles which modify the main profile specified by the Profile attribute (thus the Profile attribute MUST be present; see sections 3.1 and 4.1 for details of this attribute). The interpretation of additional profiles is determined by the main profile.

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<xs:element name="AdditionalProfile" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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#### 2.8.5 Optional Input <Schema>

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This uri if present MUST match the targetNamespace of the contained Schema if present otherwise the uri extracted from the targetNamespace is used.

Base64Data can be used for other not yet defined forms of verification for CMS or whatever or an error can be thrown.

644 SchemaRefs[Optional]:

This is used to point to all Schemas used in this schema.

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<xs:element name="Schema" type="dss:DocumentType"/>
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## 2.8.6 Optional Input <Schemas>

<Schemas> can be used for a set of Schemas used by a Document or other Schema.

If it is referred to from a Document it is assumed that the Document is validated against the first Schema and the other Schemas are assumed to be used by the first Schema.

## 2.9 Type <RequestBaseType>

The <RequestBaseType> structure is the base structure for request elements defined by the core protocol or profiles. It defines the following attributes and elements:

661 RequestID [Optional]

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This attribute is used to correlate requests with responses. When present in a request, the server MUST return it in the response.

Profile [Optional]

This attribute indicates a particular DSS profile. It may be used to select a profile if a server supports multiple profiles, or as a sanity-check to make sure the server implements the profile the client expects.

<OptionalInputs> [Optional]

Any additional inputs to the request.

<InputDocuments> [Optional]

The input documents which the processing will be applied to.

## 2.10 Type <ResponseBaseType>

The <ResponseBaseType> type is the base structure for response elements defined by the core protocol or profiles. It defines the following attributes and elements:

RequestID [Optional]

This attribute is used to correlate requests with responses. When present in a request, the server MUST return it in the response.

Profile [Optional]

This attribute indicates the particular DSS profile used by the server. It may be used by the client for logging purposes or to make sure the server implements a profile the client expects.

691 <Result> [Required]

A code representing the status of the request.

693 <OptionalOutputs>[Optional]

Any additional outputs returned by the server.

695 <SignatureObject>[Optional]

The resulting signature or timestamp or other artifact produced by the requested processing.

**2.11 Element <Response>** 

Asynchronous profile).

The <Response> element is an instance of the <ResponseBaseType> type. This element is useful in cases where the DSS server is not able to respond with a special response type. E.g. a client sends a <SignRequest> to a service that only supports <VerifyRequest>'s over plain HTTP (as opposed to protocols where some information could be derived from the header). As the service does not support <SignRequest>'s it has to either generate a <VerifyResponse> with a "bad message" result or fail at the HTTP layer. In the former case, the client will receive a response that does not correspond semantically to the request - it got a <VerifyResponse> to a <SignRequest>. This leaves both parties thinking that the other one is at fault.

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717 Other use cases for this type are expected to be described in special profiles (e.g. the

720 <xs:element name="Response" type="ResponseBaseType"/>

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#### 3.1 Element <SignRequest>

- 724 The <SignRequest> element is sent by the client to request a signature or timestamp on some
- 725 input documents. It contains the following attributes and elements inherited from
- 726 <RequestBaseType>:

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- 727 RequestID [Optional]
- This attribute is used to correlate requests with responses. When present in a request, the server MUST return it in the response.
- 730 Profile [Optional]
- This attribute indicates a particular DSS profile. It may be used to select a profile if a server supports multiple profiles, or as a sanity-check to make sure the server implements the profile the client expects.
- 734 <OptionalInputs> [Optional]
- Any additional inputs to the request.
- 736 <InputDocuments> [Required]
  - The input documents which the signature will be calculated over.

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## 3.2 Element <SignResponse>

- The <SignResponse> element contains the following attributes and elements inherited from <ResponseBaseType>:
- 748 RequestID [Optional]
- This attribute is used to correlate requests with responses. When present in a request, the server MUST return it in the response.
- 751 Profile [Optional]
- This attribute indicates the particular DSS profile used by the server. It may be used by the client for logging purposes or to make sure the server implements a profile the client expects.
- 754 <Result> [Required]
- A code representing the status of the request.
- 756 <OptionalOutputs> [Optional]
- Any additional outputs returned by the server.
- 758 In addition to <ResponseBaseType> the <SignResponse> element defines the following
- 759 <SignatureObject> element:
- 760 <SignatureObject> [Optional]

The result signature or timestamp or, in the case of a signature being enveloped in an output document (see section 3.5.7), pointer to the signature.

In the case of <SignaturePlacement> being used this MUST contain a <SignaturePtr>, having the same XPath expression as in <SignaturePlacement> and pointing to a <DocumentWithSignature> using it's WhichDocument attribute.

## 3.3 Processing for XML Signatures

#### 3.3.1 Basic Process for <Base64XML>

- A DSS server that produces XML signatures SHOULD perform the following steps, upon receiving a <SignRequest>.
- These steps may be changed or overridden by procedures defined for the optional inputs (for example, see section 3.5.6), or by the profile or policy the server is operating under.
- The ordering of the <Document> elements inside the <InputDocuments> MAY be ignored by the server.
  - 1. For each <Document> in <InputDocuments> the server MUST perform the following steps:
    - a. In the case of <Base64XML> (see later sub-sections for other cases), the server base64-decodes the data contained within <Document> into an octet stream. This data MUST be a well formed XML Document as defined in [Schema1] section 2.1. If the Refurl attribute references within the same input document then the server parses the octet stream to NodeSetData (see [XMLSig] section 4.3.3.3) before proceeding to the next step.
    - b. The data is processed and transforms applied by the server to produce a canonicalized octet string as required in **[XMLSig]** section 4.3.3.2. Note: Transforms are applied as a server implementation MAY choose to increase robustness of the Signatures created. These Transforms may reflect idiosyncrasies of different parsers or to solve encoding issues and so on. Servers MAY also choose not to apply transforms in basic processing and to extract the data binary or canonicalize the data directly if certain optional inputs (see sections 3.5.7 point 2 and 1.d.v, 3.5.8) are not to be implemented. Note: As required in **[XMLSig]** if the end result is an XML node set, the server MUST attempt to convert the node set back into an octet stream using Canonical XML **[XML-C14N]**.
    - c. The hash of the resulting octet stream is calculated.
    - d. The server forms a <ds:Reference> with the elements and attributes set as follows:

808 i. If the <Document> has a RefURI attribute, the <ds:Reference> 809 element's URI attribute is set to the value of the Refuri attribute, else 810 attribute 811 A signature MUST NOT be created if more than one Refuri is omitted in the set of input documents and the server MUST report a 812 813 RequesterError. 814 ii. If the <Document> has a RefType attribute, the <ds:Reference> element's Type attribute is set to the value of the RefType attribute, 815 else this attribute is omitted. 816 817 iii. The <ds:DigestMethod> element is set to the hash method used. 818 iv. The <ds:DigestValue> element is set to the hash value that is to be calculated as per [XMLSig]. 819 820 v. The <ds:Transforms> element is set to the sequence of transforms 821 applied by the server in step b. This sequence MUST describe the 822 effective transform as a reproducible procedure from parsing until hash. 823 2. References resulting from processing of optional inputs MUST be included. In doing so, the server MAY reflect the ordering of the <Document> elements. 824 825 3. The server creates an XML signature using the <ds:Reference> elements created in Step 1.d, according to the processing rules in [XMLSig]. 826 3.3.2 Process Variant for <InlineXML> 827 828 In the case of an input document which contains <InlineXML> Step 3.3.1 1.a is replaced with 829 the following step: 830 1. a. The XML document is extracted from the DSS protocol envelope, without taking 831 inherited namespaces and attributes. Exclusive Canonical XML [XML-xcl-c14n] 832 MUST be applied to extract data AND assure context free extraction. 833 In cases like echoing and such where details could get lost, see Appendix A. 834 835 In Step 3.3.1 step 1.d.v, the <ds:Transforms> element MUST begin with the canonicalization 836 837 transform applied under revised step 3.3.2 1.a above. 3.3.3 Process Variant for <EscapedXML> 838 839 In the case of an input document which contains <EscapedXML> Step 3.3.1 1.a is replaced with the following: 840 841 1. 842 a. In the case of <EscapedXML> the server unescapes the data contained within 843 <Document> into a character string. If the RefURI references within the same input document the server parses the unescaped character content to NodeSetData if 844 845 necessary. If the RefURI does not reference within the same input document then the server canonicalizes the characters or parsed NodeSetData (see [XMLSig] section 846 4.3.3.3) to octet stream if necessary before proceeding to the next step. 847 848

Note: If the characters are converted to an octet stream directly a consistent

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850 851 encoding including ByteOrderMark has to be ensured.

852 853 854	In Step 3.3.1 1.d.v, the <ds:transforms> element MUST begin with the canonicalization transform applied under revised step 3.3.3 1.a above.</ds:transforms>		
855	3.3.4 Pro	ocess Variant for <base64data></base64data>	
856 857 858		of an input document which contains <base64data> Step 1 a and Step 1 b are th the following:</base64data>	
859 860	a.	The server base64-decodes the data contained within $<$ Document $>$ into an octet string.	
861 862	b.	No transforms or other changes are made to the octet string before hashing.	
863 864 865 866 867 868		Note: If the RefURI references within the same input document the Document MUST also be referenced by <includeobject> in section 3.5.6 to include the object as base64 data inside a <ds:object> otherwise a <result> (section 2.6) issuing a <resultmajor> RequesterError qualified by a <resultminor> NotParseableXMLDocument.</resultminor></resultmajor></result></ds:object></includeobject>	
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873		The server base64-decodes the data contained within <base64data> of</base64data>	
874		<transformeddata> into an octet string.</transformeddata>	
875		Omitted.	
876	_	The hash over of the octet stream extracted in step a is calculated.	
877	d.	as in 3.3.1 step 1d updated as follows	
878 879 880 881		i. The <ds:transforms> element is set to the sequence of transforms indicated by the client in the <ds:transforms> element within the <transformeddata>. This sequence MUST describe the effective transform as a reproducible procedure from parsing until digest input.</transformeddata></ds:transforms></ds:transforms>	
882	3.3.6 Pro	ocess Variant for <documenthash></documenthash>	
883 884		se of an input document which is provided in the form of a hash value in the step 3.3.1 1 is replaced with the following:	
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889	d.	as in 3.3.1 step 1d updated as follows	
890 891		<ul> <li>i. The <ds:digestmethod> element is set to the value in <documenthash>.</documenthash></ds:digestmethod></li> <li>The <ds:digestvalue> element is set to the value in <documenthash>.</documenthash></ds:digestvalue></li> </ul>	

892 ii. The <ds:Transforms> element is set to the sequence of transforms indicated by the client in the <ds:Transforms> element within <DocumentHash>, if any such transforms are indicated by the client. This sequence MUST describe the effective transform as a reproducible procedure from parsing until hash.

## 3.4 Basic Processing for CMS Signatures

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- A DSS server that produces CMS signatures [RFC 3852] SHOULD perform the following steps, upon receiving a <SignRequest>. These steps may be changed or overridden by the optional inputs, or by the profile or policy the server is operating under.
- 900 The <SignRequest> should contain either a single <Document> not having RefURI, 901 RefType set or a single <DocumentHash> not having RefURI, RefType, 902 <ds:Transforms> set:
- 903 1. If a <Document> is present, the server hashes its contents as follows:
  - a. If the <Document> contains <Base64XML>, the server extracts the ancestry context free text content of the <Base64XML> as an octet stream by base64 decoding it's contents.
  - b. If the <Document> contains <InlineXML>, the server extracts the ancestry context free text content of the <InlineXML> as an octet stream as explained in (section 3.3.2 1.a ). This octet stream has to be returned as <TransformedDocument>/ <Base64XML>.
  - c. If the <Document> contains <EscapedXML>, the server unescapes the content of the <EscapedXML> as a character stream and converts the character stream to an octet stream using an encoding as explained in (section 3.3.3).
  - d. If the <Document> contains <Base64Data>, the server base64-decodes the text content of the <Base64Data> into an octet stream.
  - e. The server hashes the resultant octet stream.
  - 2. The server forms a SignerInfo structure based on the input document. The components of the SignerInfo are set as follows:
    - a. The digestAlgorithm field is set to the OID value for the hash method that was used in step 1.c (for a <Document>), or to the OID value that is equivalent to the input document's <ds:DigestMethod> (for a <DocumentHash>).
    - b. The signedAttributes field's message-digest attribute contains the hash value that was calculated in step 1.e (for a <Document>), or that was sent in the input document's <ds:DigestValue> (for a <DocumentHash>). Other signedAttributes may be added by the server, according to its profile or policy, or according to the <Properties> optional input (see section 3.5.5).
    - c. The remaining fields (sid, signatureAlgorithm, and signature) are filled in as per a normal CMS signature.
  - 3. The server creates a CMS signature (i.e. a SignedData structure) containing the SignerInfo that was created in Step 2. The resulting SignedData should be detached (i.e. external) unless the client sends the <EnvelopingSignature> optional input (see section 3.5.8).

## 3.5 Optional Inputs and Outputs

This section defines some optional inputs and outputs that profiles of the DSS signing protocol might find useful. Section 2.8 defines some common optional inputs that can also be used with

the signing protocol. Profiles of the signing protocol can define their own optional inputs and outputs, as well. General handling of optional inputs and outputs is discussed in section 2.7.

#### 3.5.1 Optional Input <SignatureType>

The <SignatureType> element indicates the type of signature or timestamp to produce (such as a XML signature, a XML timestamp, a RFC 3161 timestamp, a CMS signature, etc.). See section 7.1 for some URI references that MAY be used as the value of this element.

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<xs:element name="SignatureType" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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#### 3.5.2 Optional Input <AddTimestamp>

The <AddTimestamp> element indicates that the client wishes the server to provide a timestamp as a property or attribute of the resultant signature. The Type attribute, if present, indicates what type of timestamp to apply. Profiles that use this optional input MUST define the allowed values, and the default value, for the Type attribute (unless only a single type of timestamp is supported, in which case the Type attribute can be omitted).

#### 3.5.3 Optional Input <IntendedAudience>

The <IntendedAudience> element tells the server who the target audience of this signature is. The server may use this to parameterize any aspect of its processing (for example, the server may choose to sign with a key that it knows a particular recipient trusts).

## 3.5.4 Optional Input <KeySelector>

The <KeySelector> element tells the server which key to use.

#### 3.5.5 Optional Input < Properties>

977 The <Properties> element is used to request that the server add certain signed or unsigned 978 properties (aka "signature attributes") into the signature. The client can send the server a 979 particular value to use for each property, or leave the value up to the server to determine. The 980 server can add additional properties, even if these aren't requested by the client.

981 The <Properties> element contains:

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982 <SignedProperties> [Optional]
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These properties will be covered by the signature.

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984 <UnsignedProperties> [Optional]
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These properties will not be covered by the signature.

986 Each <Property> element contains:

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987 <Identifier> [Required]
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A URI reference identifying the property.

989 <Value> [Optional]

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If present, the value the server should use for the property.

This specification does not define any properties. Profiles that make use of this element MUST define the allowed property URIs and their allowed values.

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           <xs:complexType>
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               <xs:sequence>
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                    <xs:element name="SignedProperties"</pre>
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                                type="dss:PropertiesType" minOccurs="0"/>
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                    <xs:element name="UnsignedProperties"</pre>
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                                 type="dss: PropertiesType" minOccurs="0"/>
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                </xs:sequence>
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            </xs:complexType>
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        </xs:element>
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        <xs:complexType name="PropertiesType">
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                <xs:element ref="dss:Property" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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            </xs:sequence>
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        <xs:element name="Property">
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                <xs:sequence>
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                    <xs:element name="Identifier" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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                                 minOccurs="0"/>
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                </xs:sequence>
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            </xs:complexType>
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        </xs:element>
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## 3.5.6 Optional Input <IncludeObject>

- Optional input <IncludeObject> is used to request the creation of an XMLSig enveloping signature as follows.
- 1022 The attributes of <IncludeObject> are:
- 1023 WhichDocument [Required]

ldentifies the input document which will be inserted into the returned signature (see the ID attribute in section 2.4.1).

1026 hasObjectTagsAndAttributesSet

If True indicates that the <Document> contains a <ds:Object> element which has been prepared ready for direct inclusion in the <ds:Signature>.

1029 ObjId [optional]

Sets the Id attribute on the returned <ds:Object>.

1031 createReference

This attribute set to true causes the <ds:Object> to be referenced by a <ds:Reference> and hence to be actually digested and signed. Otherwise it has to be referenced by another reference or it is just included but not signed.

## 3.5.6.1 XML DSig Variant Optional Input <IncludeObject>

An enveloping signature is a signature having <ds:Object>s which are referenced by <ds:Reference>s having a same-document URI.

For each <IncludeObject> the server creates a new <ds:Object> element containing the document, as identified using the WhichDocument attribute, as its child. This object is carried within the enveloping signature. This <Document> (or documents) MUST include a "same-document" RefURI attribute (having a value starting with "#") which references the data to be signed.

The URI in the Refuri attribute of this <Document> should at least reference the relevant parts of the Object to be included in the calculation for the corresponding reference. Clients MUST generate requests in a way that some <ds:Reference>'s URI values actually will reference the <ds:Object> generated by the server once this element will have been included in the <ds:Signature> produced by the server.

1. For each <IncludeObject> the server MUST carry out the following steps:

- a. The server identifies the <Document> that is to be placed into a <ds:Object> as indicated by the WhichDocument attribute.
- b. The data to be carried in the enveloping signature is extracted and decoded as described in 3.3.1 Step 1 a (or equivalent step in variants of the basic process as defined in 3.3.2 onwards depending of the form of the input document).
- c. if the hasObjectTagsAndAttributesSet attribute is false or not present the server builds the <ds:Object> as follows:

- i. The server generates the new <ds:Object> and sets its Id attribute to the value indicated in ObjId attribute of the optional input if present.
  - ii. In the case of the Document pointed at by WhichDocument having Base64Data, <ds:Object>('s) MIME Type is to be set to the value of <dss:Base64Data>('s) MIME Type value and the Encoding is to be set to http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlschema-2/#base64Binary
  - d. The server splices the to-be-enveloped documents as <ds:Object>(s) into the <ds:Signature>, which is to be returned.

The server then continues with processing as specified in section 3.3.1 if create reference is true otherwise this <Document> is excluded from further processing and basic processing is applied for the rest of the <Document>s as specified in section 3.3.1.

#### 3.5.6.2 CMS Enveloping Signatures, Variant Optional Input <IncludeObject>

In the case of the optional input <IncludeObject> section 3.4 step 3 is overridden as follows.

3. The server creates a CMS signature (i.e. a SignedData structure) containing the SignerInfo that was created in Step 3. The resulting SignedData is now internal, as the document is enveloped in the signature.

# 3.5.7 Enveloped Signatures, Optional Input <SignaturePlacement> and Output <DocumentWithSignature>

Optional input <SignaturePlacement> is used to request the creation of an XMLDSig enveloped signature placed within an input document. The resulting document with the enveloped signature is placed in the optional output <DocumentWithSignature>.

- 1091 The server places the signature in the document identified using the WhichDocument attribute.
- This <Document> MUST include a "same-document" RefURI attribute which references the data to be signed of the form RefURI="".
- In the case of an XML input document, the client may instruct the server precisely where to place the signature with the optional <XpathAfter> and <XpathFirstChildOf> child elements. In the case of a non-XML input document, or when these child elements are omitted, then the server places the signature in the input document in accordance with procedures defined in a profile or
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- 1099 The <SignaturePlacement> element contains the following attributes and elements:
- 1100 WhichDocument [Required]
- 1101 Identifies the input document which the signature will be inserted into (see the ID attribute in section 2.4.1).
- 1103 CreateEnvelopedSignature
- 1104 If this is set to true a reference having an enveloped signature transform is created.
- 1105 <XpathAfter> [Optional]
- Identifies an element, inside the XML input document, after which the signature will be inserted. (The rules for XPath evaluation are those stated in section 2.5 SignatureObject)
- 1108 <XpathFirstChildOf> [Optional]
- Identifies an element, in the XML input document, which the signature will be inserted as the first child of. For details on the evaluation of The XPath expression see above

(<XpathAfter>). The signature is placed immediately after the start tag of the specified element.

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        <xs:element name="SignaturePlacement">
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              <xs:complexType>
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                     <xs:choice>
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                            <xs:element name="XPathAfter" type="xs:string"/>
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                                   <xs:element name="XPathFirstChildOf"</pre>
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                                               type="xs:string"/>
1119
                            </xs:choice>
1120
                             <xs:attribute name="WhichDocument" type="xs:IDREF"/>
1121
                             <xs:attribute name="CreateEnvelopedSignature"</pre>
1122
                                          type="xs:boolean" default="true"/>
1123
               </xs:complexType>
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        </xs:element>
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- The <DocumentWithSignature> optional output contains the input document with the signature inserted. It has one child element:
- 1127 <Document> [Required]

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1128 This contains the input document with a signature inserted in some fashion.

For an XMLSig enveloped signature the client produces a request including elements set as follows:

- 1. The WhichDocument attribute is set to identify the <Document > to envelope the signature.
- 1140 2. The RefURI attribute for the relevant <Document> is set to reference the relevant parts of the Document to be included in the calculation for the corresponding reference. This MUST be a relative reference within the same document. (e.g. URI="", URI="#xpointer(/)", URI="#xpointer(//ToBeSignedElement)", URI="#xpointer(//ToBeSignedElements)", ...).
- 1145 3. The createEnvelopedSignature is set to true (or simply omitted).

1147 If the <SignaturePlacement> element is present the server processes it as follows:

- 1. The server identifies the <Document> that in which the signature is to be enveloped as indicated by the WhichDocument attribute.
- This document is extracted and decoded as described in 3.3.1 Step Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden. (or equivalent step in variants of the basic process as defined in 3.3.2 onwards depending of the form of the input document).
- 1153 3. The server splices the <ds:Signature> to-be-enveloped into the document.
- 4. If createEnvelopedSignature equals true create a <ds:Reference> for the document in question by performing Basic processing as in section 3.3.1 and Step 1.b to 1.d is performed with the following amendments:
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- b. [replaced] Include an EnvelopedSignatureTransform as the first transform for calculation (even preceding transforms used for extraction) and continue as in 3.3.1 Step 1.b applied on the previously extracted document bearing the incomplete signature.
  - c. (same as in 3.3.1 Step 1.c)
  - d. (same as in 3.3.1 Step 1.d.i to 1.d.iv) plus 1.d.v amended as follows:
    - v. The EnvelopedSignatureTransform is included as the first Transform (even before excl-c14n if it was used for extraction) in the <ds:Transforms> element. The sequence MUST describe the effective transform as a reproducible procedure from parsing until hash.

Note: This is necessary because the EnvelopedSignatureTransform would not work if there was a Canonicalization before it. Similar problems apply to transforms using the here() function, if such are to be supported the use of Base64XML is indicated.

- 1174 5. Add the returned <ds:Reference> as required in 3.3.1 Step Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden. of Basic processing.
- 1176 6. The server continues with processing as specified in section 3.3.1 for the rest of the documents.
- 7. The <SignedObject> element of the result is set to point to the document with the same WhichDocument and XPath expression as in the request.

## 3.5.8 Optional Input <SignedReferences>

- The <SignedReferences> element gives the client greater control over how the <ds:Reference> elements are formed. When this element is present, step 1 of Basic Processing (section 3.3.1) is overridden. Instead of there being a one-to-one correspondence between input documents and <ds:Reference> elements, now each <SignedReference> element controls the creation of a corresponding <ds:Reference>.
- Since each <SignedReference> refers to an input document, this allows multiple <ds:Reference> elements to be based on a single input document. Furthermore, the client can request additional transforms to be applied to each <ds:Reference>, and can set each <ds:Reference> element's Id or URI attribute. These aspects of the <ds:Reference> can only be set through the <SignedReference>> optional input; they cannot be set through the input documents, since they are aspects of the reference to the input document, not the input document itself.
- 1195 Each <SignedReference> element contains:
- 1196 WhichDocument [Required]
- 1197 Which input document this reference refers to (see the ID attribute in section 2.4.1).
- 1198 Refid [Optional]
- 1199 Sets the Id attribute on the corresponding <ds:Reference>.
- 1200 RefURI [Optional]

1201 overrides the RefURI of <dss:Document> and if present from the <SignedReferences> 1202 creates an additional <ds:Reference> 1203 RefType [Optional] 1204 overrides the RefType of <dss:Document> 1205 <ds:Transforms> [Optional] Requests the server to perform additional transforms on this reference. 1206 1207 When the <SignedReferences> optional input is present, basic processing 3.3.1 step 1 is performed for each <SignedReference> overriding steps a., b., c. and d.: 1208 1209 If the <SignaturePlacement > element is present the server processes it as follows: 1210 1211 For each <SignedReference> in <SignedReferences> 1212 1. The server identifies the <Document> referenced as indicated by the WhichDocument 1213 attribute. 1214 If RefURI is present create an additional <ds:Reference> for the document in question by performing basic processing as in section 3.3.1 Step 1 amended as follows: 1215 1216 1. 1217 a. Unchanged. 1218 b. Applies the transforms indicated in <ds:Transforms>. Afterwards, the server may 1219 apply any other transform it considers worth according to its policy for generating a 1220 canonicalized octet string as required in step b. of basic Processing before hashing. c. Unchanged. 1221 1222 d. The server forms a <ds:Reference> with the elements and attributes set as follows: 1223 i. Use this RefURI attribute from the <SignedReference> if present instead of RefURI from <dss:Document> in step i, of Basic Processing. 1224 The *Id* attribute is set to the *<SignedReference>* element's *RefId* attribute. If 1225 the <SignedReference> has no Refld attribute, the <ds:Reference> 1226 element's Id attribute is omitted. 1227 1228 ii. 1229 iii. 1230 iv. 1231 v. The <ds:Transforms> used here will have to be added to <ds:Transforms> of step v. of basic processing so that this element describes the sequence of 1232 transforms applied by the server and describing the effective transform as a 1233 1234 reproducible procedure from parsing until hash. 2. Add the returned <ds:Reference> as required in 3.3.1 Step Fehler! Verweisquelle 1235 konnte nicht gefunden werden. of Basic processing. 1236 3. If Refurl is not present perform basic processing for the input document not creating an 1237 1238 additional <ds:Reference> amending Step 1 as follows: 1239 1. 1240 a. Unachanged. 1241 b. Applies the transforms indicated in <ds:Transforms>. Afterwards, the server may 1242 apply any other transform it considers worth according to its policy for generating a 1243 canonicalized octet string as required in step b. of basic Processing before hashing. 1244 c. Unchanged.

- d. The server forms a <ds:Reference> with the elements and attributes set as follows:
  - i. Perform step i. of Basic Processing and the Id attribute is set to the <SignedReference> element's RefId attribute. If the <SignedReference> has no RefId attribute, the <ds:Reference> element's Id attribute is omitted.
  - ii. Unchanged

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- iii. Unchanged
- iv. Unchanged
- v. The <ds:Transforms> used here will have to be added to <ds:Transforms> of step v. of basic processing so that this element describes the sequence of transforms applied by the server and describing the effective transform as a reproducible procedure from parsing until hash.
- 4. The server continues with processing as specified in section 3.3.1 for the rest of the documents.

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       <xs:element name="SignedReferences">
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           <xs:complexType>
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               <xs:sequence>
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                    <xs:element ref="dss:SignedReference"</pre>
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                               maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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               </xs:sequence>
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           </xs:complexType>
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       </xs:element>
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       <xs:element name="SignedReference">
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              <xs:complexType>
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              <xs:sequence>
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                     <xs:element ref="ds:Transforms" minOccurs="0"/>
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              </xs:sequence>
1274
              <xs:attribute name="WhichDocument" type="xs:IDREF" use="required"/>
1275
          <xs:attribute name="RefURI" type="xs:anyURI" use="optional"/>
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              <xs:attribute name="RefId" type="xs:string" use="optional"/>
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              </xs:complexType>
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       </xs:element>
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# 4 The DSS Verifying Protocol

## 4.1 Element <VerifyRequest>

The <VerifyRequest> inherits from <Request>. This element is sent by the client to verify a signature or timestamp on some input documents. It contains the following additional elements:

<SignatureObject> [Optional]

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This element contains a signature or timestamp, or else contains a <code><SignaturePtr></code> that points to an XML signature in one of the input documents. If this element is omitted, there must be only a single <code><InputDocument></code> which the server will search to find the to-beverified signature(s). A <code><SignaturePtr></code> or omitted <code><SignatureObject></code> MUST be used whenever the to-be-verified signature is an XML signature which uses an Enveloped Signature Transform; otherwise the server would have difficulty locating the signature and applying the Enveloped Signature Transform.

<InputDocuments> [Optional]

The input documents which the signature was calculated over. The signature to be verified may also be contained in one of these documents. This element may be omitted if an enveloping signature inside the <SignatureObject> contains the input document(s).

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1295
       <xs:element name="VerifyRequest">
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            <xs:complexType>
1297
                <xs:sequence>
1298
                    <xs:element ref="dss:OptionalInputs" minOccurs="0"/>
1299
                    <xs:element ref="dss:SignatureObject" minOccurs="0"/>
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                    <xs:element ref="dss:InputDocuments" minOccurs="0"/>
1301
                </xs:sequence>
1302
                <xs:attribute name="RequestID" type="xs:string"</pre>
1303
                              use="optional"/>
1304
                <xs:attribute name="Profile" type="xs:anyURI" use="optional"/>
1305
            </xs:complexType>
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       </xs:element>
```

## 4.2 Element <VerifyResponse>

The <VerifyResponse> inherits from <Response>. This element defines no additional attributes and elements

## 4.3 Basic Processing for XML Signatures

- A DSS server that verifies XML signatures SHOULD perform the following steps, upon receiving a <VerifyRequest>. These steps may be changed or overridden by the optional inputs, or by the profile or policy the server is operating under. For more details on multi-signature verification, see section 4.3.1.
  - 1. The server retrieves one or more <ds:Signature> objects, as follows: If the <SignatureObject> is present, the server retrieves either the <ds:Signature> that is a child element of the <SignatureObject>, or those <ds:Signature> objects which are pointed to by the <SignaturePtr> in the <SignatureObject>.

a. If the <SignaturePtr> points to an input document but not a specific element in that document, the pointed-to input document must be a <Document> element containing XML either in an <InlineXML>, <EscapedXML> or <Base64XML> element. This document is extracted and decoded as described in 3.3.1 Step Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden. (or equivalent step in variants of the basic process as defined in 3.3.2 onwards depending of the form of the input document). The server will search and find every <ds:Signature> element in this input document, and verify each <ds:Signature> according to the steps below.

- b. If the <SignatureObject> is omitted, there MUST be only a single <Document> element. This case is handled as if a <SignaturePtr> pointing to the single <Document> was present: the server will search and find every <ds:Signature> element in this input document, and verify each <ds:Signature> according to the steps below.
- 2. For each <ds:Reference> in the <ds:Signature>, the server finds the input document with matching RefURI and RefType values. If the <ds:Reference> uses a same-document URI, the XPointer should be evaluated against the input document the <ds:Signature> is contained within, or against the <ds:Signature> itself if it is contained within the <SignatureObject> element. The <SchemaRef> element or optional input <Schema> of the input document or <SignatureObject> will be used, if present, to identify ID attributes when evaluating the XPointer expression. If the <ds:Reference> uses an external URI and the corresponding input document is not present, the server will skip the <ds:Reference>, and later return a result code such as ReferencedDocumentNotPresent to indicate this.
  - a. If the input document is a <Document>, the server extracts and decodes as described in 3.3.1 Step Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden. (or equivalent step in variants of the basic process as defined in 3.3.2 onwards depending of the form of the input document).
  - b. If the input document is a <TransformedData>, the server checks that the <ds:Transforms> match between the <TransformedData> and the <ds:Reference> and then hashes the resultant data object according to <ds:DigestMethod>, and checks that the result matches <ds:DigestValue>.
  - c. If the input document is a <DocumentHash>, the server checks that the <ds:Transforms>, <ds:DigestMethod>, and <ds:DigestValue> elements match between the <DocumentHash> and the <ds:Reference>.
  - d. If such an input document isn't present, and the <ds:Reference> uses a same-document URI without a barename XPointer (URI=""), then the relevant input document is the input document the <ds:Signature> is contained within, or the <ds:Signature> itself if it is contained within the <SignatureObject> element and processed according to a. above.
- 3. The server then validates the signature according to section 3.2.2 in [XMLSig].
- 4. If the signature validates correctly, the server returns one of the first three <ResultMinor> codes listed in section 4.4, depending on the relationship of the signature to the input documents (not including the relationship of the signature to those XML elements that were resolved through XPointer evaluation; the client will have to inspect those relationships manually). If the signature fails to validate correctly, the server returns some other code; either one defined in section 4.4 of this specification, or one defined by some profile of this specification.

#### 4.3.1 Multi-Signature Verification

- 1368 If a client requests verification of an entire input document, either using a <SignaturePtr>
- 1369 without an <XPath> or a missing <SignaturePtr> (see section 4.3 step 1), then the server
- 1370 MUST determine whether the input document contains zero, one, or more than one
- 1371 <ds:Signature> elements. If zero, the server should return a <ResultMajor> code of
- 1372 RequesterError.

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- 1373 If more than one <ds:Signature> elements are present, the server MUST either reject the
- 1374 request with a <ResultMajor> code of RequesterError and a <ResultMinor> code of
- 1375 NotSupported, or accept the request and try to verify all of the signatures.
- 1376 If the server accepts the request in the multi-signature case (or if only a single signature is
- present) and one of the signatures fails to verify, the server should return one of the error codes
- in section 4.4, reflecting the first error encountered.
- 1379 If all of the signatures verify correctly, the server should return the Success <ResultMajor>
- 1380 code and the following <ResultMinor> code:
- 1381 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:ValidMultiSignatures
- 1382 Upon receiving this result code, the client SHOULD NOT assume any particular relationship
- between the signature and the input document(s). To check such a relationship, the client would
- have to verify or inspect the signatures individually.
- 1385 Only certain optional inputs and outputs are allowed when performing multi-signature verification.
- 1386 See section 4.6 for details.

#### 4.4 Result Codes

- 1388 Whether the signature succeeds or fails to verify, the server will return the Success
- 1389 <ResultMajor> code. The <ResultMinor> URI MUST be one of the following values, or
- some other value defined by some profile of this specification. The first three values listed below indicate that the signature or timestamp is valid. Any other value SHALL signal an error of some
- 1392 sort.
- 1393 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:valid:signature:onAllDocuments

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- The signature or timestamp is valid. Furthermore, the signature or timestamp covers all of the input documents just as they were passed in by the client.
- 1397 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:valid:signature:onTransformedDoc uments
  - The signature or timestamp is valid. Furthermore, the signature or timestamp covers all of the input documents. However, some or all of the input documents have additional transforms applied to them that were not specified by the client.
- 1402 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:valid:signature:notAllDocumentsR
  1403 eferenced
- The signature or timestamp is valid. However, the signature or timestamp does not cover all of the input documents that were passed in by the client.
- 1406 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:invalid:refencedDocumentNotPrese
  1407 nt
- A ds:Reference element is present in the ds:Signature containing a full URI, but the corresponding input document is not present in the request.
- 1410 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:invalid:indeterminateKey

- The server could not determine whether the signing key is valid. For example, the server might not have been able to construct a certificate path to the signing key.
- 1413 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:invalid:untrustedKey
- The signature is performed by a key the server considers suspect. For example, the signing key may have been revoked, or it may be a different key from what the server is expecting the signer to use.
- 1417 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:invalid:incorrectSignature
- The signature fails to verify, indicating that the message was modified in transit, or that the signature was performed incorrectly.
- 1420 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:resultminor:inappropriate:signature
- The signature or its contents are not appropriate in the current context. For example, the signature may be associated with a signature policy and semantics which the DSS server considers unsatisfactory.

## **4.5 Basic Processing for CMS Signatures**

- A DSS server that verifies CMS signatures SHOULD perform the following steps, upon receiving a <VerifyRequest>. These steps may be changed or overridden by the optional inputs, or by the profile or policy the server is operating under.
- 1. The server retrieves the CMS signature by decoding the <Base64Signature> child of <SignatureObject>.
- 1430 2. The server retrieves the input data. If the CMS signature is detached, there must be a single input document: i.e. a single <Document> or <DocumentHash> element. Otherwise, if the CMS signature is enveloping, it contains its own input data and there MUST NOT be any input documents present.
- 1434 3. The CMS signature and input data are verified in the conventional way (see [RFC 3369] for details).
- 4. If the signature validates correctly, the server returns the first <ResultMinor> code listed in section 4.4. If the signature fails to validate correctly, the server returns some other code; either one defined in section 4.4 of this specification, or one defined by some profile of this specification.

## 4.6 Optional Inputs and Outputs

- This section defines some optional inputs and outputs that profiles of the DSS verifying protocol might find useful. Section 2.8 defines some common optional inputs that can also be used with the verifying protocol. Profiles of the verifying protocol can define their own optional inputs and outputs, as well. General handling of optional inputs and outputs is discussed in section 2.7.
- 1445 **4.6.1 Optional Input <VerifyManifests> and Output**1446 **<VerifyManifestResults>**
- 1447 The presence of this element instructs the server to validate manifests in an XML signature.
- On encountering such a document in step 2 of basic processing, the server shall repeat step 2 for
- 1449 all the <ds:Reference> elements within the manifest. In accordance with [XMLSIG] section
- 1450 5.1. DSS Manifest validation does not affect a signature's core validation. The results of verifying
- 1451 individual <ds:Reference>'s within a <ds:Manifest> are returned in the
- 1452 <dss:VerifyManifestResults> optional output.
- 1453 The <VerifyManifests> optional input is allowed in multi-signature verification.

1454 <ReferenceXpath> [Required]

Identifies the manifest reference, in the XML signature, to which this result pertains.

1456 <Status> [Required]

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Indicates the manifest validation result. It takes one of the values urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:manifeststatus:Valid or urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:manifeststatus:Invalid.

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       <xs:element name="VerifyManifestResults"</pre>
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       type="dss:VerifyManifestResultsType"/>
1462
       <xs:complexType name="VerifyManifestResultsType">
1463
         <xs:sequence>
1464
           <xs:element ref="dss:ManifestResult" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
1465
         </xs:sequence>
1466
       </xs:complexType>
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1468
       <xs:element name="ManifestResult">
1469
         <xs:complexType>
1470
           <xs:sequence>
1471
             <xs:element name="ReferenceXpath" type="xs:string"/>
1472
              <xs:element name="Status" type="xs:anyURI"/>
1473
            </xs:sequence>
1474
         </xs:complexType>
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       </xs:element>
```

#### 4.6.2 Optional Input <VerificationTime>

- This element instructs the server to attempt to determine the signature's validity at the specified time, instead of the current time.
- 1479 This optional input is allowed in multi-signature verification.

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1480 <xs:element name="VerificationTime" type="xs:dateTime"/>
```

## 4.6.3 Optional Input <AdditionalKeyInfo>

- This element provides the server with additional data (such as certificates and CRLs) which it can use to validate the signing key.
- 1484 This optional input is not allowed in multi-signature verification.

# 4.6.4 Optional Input <ReturnProcessingDetails> and Output <ProcessingDetails>

- The presence of the <ReturnProcessingDetails> optional input instructs the server to return a <ProcessingDetails> output.
- 1496 These options are not allowed in multi-signature verification.

The <ProcessingDetails> optional output elaborates on what signature verification steps succeeded or failed. It may contain the following child elements:

1500 <ValidDetail> [Any Number]

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A verification detail that was evaluated and found to be valid.

<IndeterminateDetail> [Any Number]

A verification detail that could not be evaluated or was evaluated and returned an indeterminate result.

<InvalidDetail> [Any Number]

A verification detail that was evaluated and found to be invalid.

```
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        <xs:element name="ProcessingDetails">
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            <xs:complexType>
1509
                <xs:sequence>
1510
                    <xs:element name="ValidDetail" type="dss:DetailType"</pre>
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                                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
1512
                    <xs:element name="IndeterminateDetail"</pre>
1513
                                type="dss:DetailType"
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                                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
1515
                    <xs:element name="InvalidDetail" type="xs:dss:DetailType"</pre>
1516
                                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
1517
                </xs:sequence>
1518
            </xs:complexType>
1519
       </xs:element>
```

Each detail element is of type dss:DetailType. A dss:DetailType contains the following child elements and attributes:

Type [Required]

A URI which identifies the detail. It may be a value defined by this specification, or a value defined by some other specification. For the values defined by this specification, see below.

Multiple detail elements of the same Type may appear in a single <ProcessingDetails>. For example, when a signature contains a certificate chain that certifies the signing key, there may be details of the same Type present for each certificate in the chain, describing how each certificate was processed.

1529 <Code> [Optional]

A URI which more precisely specifies why this detail is valid, invalid, or indeterminate. It must be a value defined by some other specification, since this specification defines no values for this element.

<Message> [Optional]

A human-readable message which MAY be logged, used for debugging, etc.

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- 1546 The values for the Type attribute defined by this specification are the following:
- 1547 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:detail:IssuerTrust
- Whether the issuer of trust information for the signing key (or one of the certifying keys) is considered to be trustworthy.
- 1550 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:detail:RevocationStatus
- 1551 Whether the trust information for the signing key (or one of the certifying keys) is revoked.
- 1552 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:detail:ValidityInterval
- Whether the trust information for the signing key (or one of the certifying keys) is within its validity interval.
- 1555 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:detail:Signature
- 1556 Whether the document signature (or one of the certifying signatures) verifies correctly.
- 1557 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:detail:Manifest

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1558 Whether the manifests in the XML signature verified correctly.

## 4.6.5 Optional Input <ReturnSigningTime> and Output <SigningTime>

The presence of the ReturnSigningTime> optional input instructs the server to return a 
<SigningTime> output. This output typically gives the client access to a time value carried within a signature attribute or a signature timestamp, or within a timestamp token if the signature itself is a timestamp (e.g. see section 5.1.1). If no such value is present, and the server has no other way of determining when the signature was performed, the server should omit the <SigningTime> output. If there are multiple such values present, behavior is profile-defined.

These options are not allowed in multi-signature verification.

```
<xs:element name="ReturnSigningTime"/>
```

The <SigningTime> optional output contains an indication of when the signature was performed, and a boolean attribute that indicates whether this value is attested to by a third-party timestamp authority (if true), or only by the signer (if false).

```
1571
        <xs:element name="SigningTime">
1572
            <xs:complexType>
1573
                <xs:simpleContent>
1574
                    <xs:extension base="xs:dateTime">
1575
                        <xs:attribute name="ThirdPartyTimestamp"</pre>
1576
                                       type="xs:boolean" use="required"/>
1577
                    </xs:extension>
1578
                </xs:simpleContent>
1579
            </xs:complexType>
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        </xs:element>
```

# 4.6.6 Optional Input <ReturnSignerIdentity> and Output <SignerIdentity>

The presence of the <ReturnSignerIdentity> optional input instructs the server to return a <SignerIdentity> output.

1585 This optional input and output are not allowed in multi-signature verification.

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1586 <xs:element name="ReturnSignerIdentity"/>
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1587 The <SignerIdentity> optional output contains an indication of who performed the signature.

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# 4.6.7 Optional Input <ReturnUpdatedSignature> and Output <UpdatedSignature>

The presence of the <ReturnUpdatedSignature> optional input instructs the server to return an <UpdatedSignature> output, containing a new or updated signature.

The Type attribute on <ReturnUpdatedSignature>, if present, defines exactly what it means to "update" a signature. For example, the updated signature may be the original signature with some additional unsigned signature properties added to it (such as timestamps, countersignatures, or additional information for use in verification), or the updated signature could be an entirely new signature calculated on the same input documents as the input signature. Profiles that use this optional input MUST define the allowed values and their semantics, and the default value, for the Type attribute (unless only a single type of updated signature is supported, in which case the Type attribute can be omitted).

Multiple occurrences of this optional input can be present in a single verify request message. If multiple occurrences are present, each occurrence MUST have a different Type attribute. Each occurrence will generate a corresponding optional output. These optional outputs SHALL be distinguishable based on their Type attribute, which will match each output with an input.

These options are not allowed in multi-signature verification.

The UpdatedSignature optional output contains the returned signature.

```
1612
       <xs:element name="UpdatedSignature">
1613
           <xs:complexType>
1614
               <xs:sequence>
1615
                    <xs:element ref="dss:SignatureObject">
1616
                <xs:sequence>
1617
                <xs:attribute name="Type" type="xs:anyURI" use="optional"/>
1618
            </xs:complexType>
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       </xs:element>
```

# 4.6.8 Optional Input <ReturnTransformedDocument> and Output <TransformedDocument>

The <ReturnTransformedDocument> optional input instructs the server to return an input document to which the XML signature transforms specified by a particular <ds:Reference> have been applied. The <ds:Reference> is indicated by the zero-based WhichReference attribute (0 means the first <ds:Reference> in the signature, 1 means the second, and so on). Multiple occurrences of this optional input can be present in a single verify request message. Each occurrence will generate a corresponding optional output.

These options are not allowed in multi-signature verification.

1634 </xs:element>

The <TransformedDocument> optional output contains a document corresponding to the specified <ds:Reference>, after all the transforms in the reference have been applied. In other words, the hash value of the returned document should equal the <ds:Reference> element's <ds:DigestValue>. To match outputs to inputs, each <TransformedDocument> will contain a WhichReference attribute which matches the corresponding optional input.

## 5 DSS Core Elements

This section defines two XML elements that may be used in conjunction with the DSS core protocols.

## 5.1 Element <Timestamp>

This section defines an XML timestamp. A <Timestamp> contains some type of timestamp token, such as an RFC 3161 TimeStampToken [RFC 3161] or a <ds:Signature> (aka an "XML timestamp token"). Profiles may introduce additional types of timestamp tokens. XML timestamps can be produced and verified using the timestamping profile of the DSS core protocols [XML-TSP].

1659 An XML timestamp may contain:

1660 <ds:Signature> [Optional]

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This is an enveloping XML signature, as defined in section 5.1.1.

1662 <RFC3161TimeStampToken> [Optional]

This is a base64-encoded TimeStampToken as defined in [RFC3161].

```
1664
        <xs:element name="Timestamp">
1665
           <xs:complexType>
1666
                <xs:choice>
1667
                    <xs:element ref="ds:Signature"/>
1668
                    <xs:element name="RFC3161TimeStampToken"</pre>
1669
                                type="xs:base64Binary"/>
1670
                    <xs:element name="Other" type="AnyType"/>
1671
                <xs:choice>
1672
            </xs:complexType>
1673
        </xs:element>
```

## 5.1.1 XML Timestamp Token

An XML timestamp token is similar to an RFC 3161 TimeStampToken, but is encoded as a <TstInfo> element (see section 5.1.2) inside an enveloping <ds:Signature>. This allows conventional XML signature implementations to validate the signature, though additional processing is still required to validate the timestamp properties (see section 5.1.3).

The following text describes how the child elements of the <ds:Signature> MUST be used:

1680 <ds:KeyInfo> [Required]

The <ds:KeyInfo> element SHALL identify the issuer of the timestamp and MAY be used to locate, retrieve and validate the timestamp token signature-verification key. The exact details of this element may be specified further in a profile.

<ds:SignedInfo>/<ds:Reference> [Required]

There MUST be a single <ds:Reference> element whose URI attribute references the <ds:Object> containing the enveloped <TstInfo> element, and whose Type attribute is equal to urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:core:schema:XMLTimeStampToken. For every input document being timestamped, there MUST be a single <ds:Reference> element whose URI attribute references the document.

1690 <ds:Object> [Required]

1691 A <TstInfo> element SHALL be contained in a <ds:Object> element.

#### 5.1.2 Element <TstInfo>

A <TstInfo> element is included in an XML timestamp token as a <ds:Signature> / ds:Object> child element. A <TstInfo> element has the following children:

1695 <SerialNumber> [Required]

This element SHALL contain a serial number produced by the timestamp authority (TSA). It MUST be unique across all the tokens issued by a particular TSA.

1698 <CreationTime> [Required]

The time at which the token was issued.

1700 <Policy> [Optional]

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This element SHALL identify the policy under which the token was issued. The TSA's policy SHOULD identify the fundamental source of its time.

1703 <ErrorBound> [Optional]

The TSA's estimate of the maximum error in its local clock.

<Ordered> [Default="false"]

This element SHALL indicate whether or not timestamps issued by this TSA, under this policy, are strictly ordered according to the value of the CreationTime element value.

1708 TSA [Optional]

The name of the TSA.

```
1710
        <xs:element name="TstInfo">
1711
            <xs:complexType>
1712
                <xs:sequence>
1713
                    <xs:element name="SerialNumber" type="xs:integer"/>
1714
                    <xs:element name="CreationTime" type="xs:dateTime"/>
1715
                    <xs:element name="Policy" type="xs:anyURI" minOccurs="0"/>
                    <xs:element name="ErrorBound" type="xs:duration"</pre>
1716
1717
                                 minOccurs="0"/>
1718
                    <xs:element name="Ordered" type="xs:boolean"</pre>
1719
                                 default="false" minOccurs="0"/>
1720
                    <xs:element name="TSA" type="saml:NameIdentifierType"</pre>
1721
                                 minOccurs="0"/>
1722
                <xs:sequence>
1723
            </xs:complexType>
1724
        </xs:element>
```

## **5.1.3 Timestamp verification procedure**

- 1726 If any one of these steps results in failure, then the timestamp token SHOULD be rejected.
- Locate and verify the signature-verification key corresponding to the ds:KeyInfo/ element contents.
- 1729 Verify that the signature-verification key is authorized for verifying timestamps.
- Verify that the signature-verification key conforms with all relevant aspects of the relying-party's policy.
- 1732 Verify that all digest and signature algorithms conform with the relying-party's policy.

- 1733 Verify that the signature-verification key is consistent with the
- ds:SignedInfo/SignatureMethod/@Algorithm element value.
- 1735 Verify that there is a single ds:SignedInfo/Reference element whose URI attribute
- 1736 references a <ds:Object> containing an enveloped <TstInfo> element.
- 1737 Verify that each timestamped document is referenced by a single ds:SignedInfo/Reference
- 1738 element.
- 1739 Verify that the tstInfo/Policy element value is acceptable.
- 1740 Verify all digests and the signature.
- 1741 If comparing the tstInfo/CreationTime element value to another time value, first verify that
- they differ by more than the error bound value.

## 5.2 Element < RequesterIdentity>

- 1744 This section contains the definition of an XML Requester Identity element. This element can be
- 1745 used as a signature property in an XML signature to identify the client who requested the
- 1746 signature.

- 1747 This element has the following children:
- 1748 Name [Required]
- 1749 The name or role of the requester who requested the signature be performed.
- 1750 SupportingInfo [Optional]
- 1751 Information supporting the name (such as a SAML Assertion [SAMLCore1.1], Liberty Alliance
- 1752 Authentication Context, or X.509 Certificate).
- 1753 The following schema fragment defines the <RequesterIdentity> element:

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1754
        <xs:element name="RequesterIdentity">
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           <xs:complexType>
1756
                <xs:sequence>
1757
                    <xs:element name="Name" type="saml:NameIdentifierType"/>
1758
                    <xs:element name="SupportingInfo" type="dss:AnyType"</pre>
1759
                                minOccurs="0"/>
1760
                </xs:sequence>
1761
            </xs:complexType>
1762
        </xs:element>
```

## 1763 6 DSS Core Bindings

- 1764 Mappings from DSS messages into standard communications protocols are called DSS bindings.
- 1765 Transport bindings specify how DSS messages are encoded and carried over some lower-level
- 1766 transport protocol. Security bindings specify how confidentiality, authentication, and integrity can
- be achieved for DSS messages in the context of some transport binding.
- 1768 Below we specify an initial set of bindings for DSS. Future bindings may be introduced by the
- 1769 OASIS DSS TC or by other parties.

## 1770 **6.1 HTTP POST Transport Binding**

- 1771 In this binding, the DSS request/response exchange occurs within an HTTP POST exchange
- 1772 **[RFC 2616]**. The following rules apply to the HTTP request:
- 1773 The client may send an HTTP/1.0 or HTTP/1.1 request.
- 1774 The Request URI may be used to indicate a particular service endpoint.
- 1775 The Content-Type header MUST be set to "application/xml".
- 1776 The Content-Length header MUST be present and correct.
- 1777 The DSS request message MUST be sent in the body of the HTTP Request.
- 1778 The following rules apply to the HTTP Response:
- 1779 The Content-Type header MUST be set to "text/xml".
- 1780 The Content-Length header MUST be present and correct.
- 1781 The DSS response message MUST be sent in the body of the HTTP Response.
- 1782 The HTTP status code MUST be set to 200 if a DSS response message is returned. Otherwise,
- 1783 the status code can be set to 3xx to indicate a redirection, 4xx to indicate a low-level client error
- 1784 (such as a malformed request), or 5xx to indicate a low-level server error.

## 1785 6.2 SOAP 1.2 Transport Binding

- 1786 In this binding, the DSS request/response exchange occurs using the SOAP 1.2 message
- 1787 protocol [SOAP]. The following rules apply to the SOAP request:
- 1788 A single DSS <SignRequest> or <VerifyRequest> element will be transmitted within the
- 1789 body of the SOAP message.
- 1790 The client MUST NOT include any additional XML elements in the SOAP body.
- 1791 The UTF-8 character encoding must be used for the SOAP message.
- 1792 Arbitrary SOAP headers may be present.
- 1793 The following rules apply to the SOAP response:
- 1794 The server MUST return either a single DSS <SignResponse> or <VerifyResponse> element
- within the body of the SOAP message, or a SOAP fault code.
- 1796 The server MUST NOT include any additional XML elements in the SOAP body.
- 1797 If a DSS server cannot parse a DSS request, or there is some error with the SOAP envelope, the
- 1798 server MUST return a SOAP fault code. Otherwise, a DSS result code should be used to signal
- 1799 errors.
- 1800 The UTF-8 character encoding must be used for the SOAP message.

- 1801 Arbitrary SOAP headers may be present.
- 1802 On receiving a DSS response in a SOAP message, the client MUST NOT send a fault code to the
- 1803 DSS server.

## 1804 **6.3 TLS Security Bindings**

- 1805 TLS [RFC 2246] is a session-security protocol that can provide confidentiality, authentication, and
- 1806 integrity to the HTTP POST transport binding, the SOAP 1.2 transport binding, or others. TLS
- supports a variety of authentication methods, so we define several security bindings below. All of
- 1808 these bindings inherit the following rules:
- 1809 TLS 1.0 MUST be supported. SSL 3.0 MAY be supported. Future versions of TLS MAY be
- 1810 supported.
- 1811 RSA ciphersuites MUST be supported. Diffie-Hellman and DSS ciphersuites MAY be supported.
- 1812 TripleDES ciphersuites MUST be supported. AES ciphersuites SHOULD be supported. Other
- 1813 ciphersuites MAY be supported, except for weak ciphersuites intended to meet export
- 1814 restrictions, which SHOULD NOT be supported.

#### 1815 **6.3.1 TLS X.509 Server Authentication**

- 1816 The following ciphersuites defined in [RFC 2246] and [RFC 3268] are supported. The server
- 1817 MUST authenticate itself with an X.509 certificate chain [RFC 3280]. The server MUST NOT
- 1818 request client authentication.
- 1819 MUST:
- 1820 TLS RSA WITH 3DES EDE CBC SHA
- 1821 SHOULD:
- 1822 TLS RSA WITH AES 128 CBC SHA
- 1823 TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_256\_CBC\_SHA

#### 1824 6.3.2 TLS X.509 Mutual Authentication

- 1825 The same ciphersuites mentioned in section 6.2.1 are supported. The server MUST authenticate
- 1826 itself with an X.509 certificate chain, and MUST request client authentication. The client MUST
- 1827 authenticate itself with an X.509 certificate chain.

#### 1828 **6.3.3 TLS SRP Authentication**

- 1829 SRP is a way of using a username and password to accomplish mutual authentication. The
- following ciphersuites defined in [draft-ietf-tls-srp-08] are supported.
- 1831 MUST:
- 1832 TLS\_SRP\_SHA\_WITH\_3DES\_EDE\_CBC\_SHA
- 1833 SHOULD:
- 1834 TLS SRP SHA WITH AES 128 CBC SHA
- 1835 TLS\_SRP\_SHA\_WITH\_AES\_256\_CBC\_SHA

#### 6.3.4 TLS SRP and X.509 Server Authentication 1836 1837 SRP can be combined with X.509 server authentication. The following ciphersuites defined in [draft-ietf-tls-srp-08] are supported. 1838 1839 MUST: 1840 TLS\_SRP\_SHA\_RSA\_WITH\_3DES\_EDE\_CBC\_SHA 1841 SHOULD: 1842 TLS\_SRP\_SHA\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_128\_CBC\_SHA 1843 TLS\_SRP\_SHA\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_256\_CBC\_SHA

## **7 DSS-Defined Identifiers**

- 1845 The following sections define various URI-based identifiers. Where possible an existing URN is
- 1846 used to specify a protocol. In the case of IETF protocols the URN of the most current RFC that
- specifies the protocol is used (see [RFC 2648]). URI references created specifically for DSS
- 1848 have the following stem:
- 1849 urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:

## **7.1 Signature Type Identifiers**

- 1851 The following identifiers MAY be used as the content of the <SignatureType> optional input
- 1852 (see section 3.5.1).

## **7.1.1 XML Signature**

- 1854 **URI:** urn:ietf:rfc:3275
- This refers to an XML signature per [XMLSig].

## 1856 **7.1.2 XML TimeStampToken**

- URI: urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:core:schema:XMLTimeStampToken
- This refers to an XML timestamp containing an XML signature, per section 5.1.

### **7.1.3 RFC 3161 TimeStampToken**

- 1860 **URI:** urn:ietf:rfc:3161
- This refers to an XML timestamp containing an ASN.1 TimeStampToken, per [RFC 3161].

## **7.1.4 CMS Signature**

- 1864 **URI:** urn:ietf:rfc:3369
- This refers to a CMS signature per [RFC 3369].

## **7.1.5 PGP Signature**

- 1867 **URI:** urn:ietf:rfc:2440
- This refers to a PGP signature per [RFC 2440].

## 1869 8 Editorial Issues

- Another way of handling the options is to have each option placed within an <Option> element.
- 1871 This has the advantage that each option could be tagged with a mustUnderstand attribute, so
- the server would know whether it was okay to ignore the option or not. It has the disadvantage of
- making things a little more verbose.
- 1874 **Resolution:** Leave as is, per 10/20/2003 meeting.
- 1875 It is suggested that the RequestID option be put in the top level of the protocol structure so that it
- 1876 can be used at the basic level of the DSS protocol handler.
- 1877 **Resolution:** This has been done, per 10/20/2003 meeting.
- 1878 The utility of the <DocumentURI> element has been questioned.
- 1879 **Resolution:** Since Rich, John, Trevor, and perhaps Andreas seem in favor of removing this, and
- only Gregor and Juan Carlos, and perhaps Nick, seem in favor of keeping it, it's been removed.
- 1881 Should every Output only be returned if the client requests it, through an Option?
- 1882 **Resolution:** No Servers can return outputs on their own initiative, per 11/3/2003 meeting.
- 1883 Should Signature Placement, and elements to envelope, be made Signature Options?
- 1884 **Resolution:** Yes per 11/3/2003 meeting, but hasn't been done yet.
- 1885 Should <Options> be renamed? To <AdditionalInputs>, <Inputs>, <Parameters>, or something
- 1886 else?
- 1887 **Resolution:** Yes <OptionalInputs> and <OptionalOutputs>
- 1888 Should we adopt a Timestamp more like Dimitri's <Tst>?
- 1889 **Resolution:** No instead add a <dss:Timestamp> element, per Nick's suggestion on list
- 1890 The <ProcessingDetails> are a little sketchy, these could be fleshed out.
- 1891 **Resolution:** Done per draft 10, based on list discussions.
- 1892 A <dss:SignatureObject> can contain a <dss:SignaturePtr>, which uses an XPath expression to
- 1893 point to a signature. This allows a client to send an <InputDocument> to the server with an
- 1894 embedded signature, and just point to the signature, without copying it. Is it acceptable to require
- 1895 all servers to support XPath, for this?
- 1896 **Resolution:** This is not only allowed but required when sending enveloped signatures to the
- 1897 server, so the server knows how to apply the enveloped signature transform. This is disallowed
- 1898 when the server returns signatures to the client, cause the bandwidth savings aren't worth the
- 1899 complexity.
- 1900 NOTE: This document may be updated as we work on DSS profiles. In particular, we may add
- 1901 additional Signature Types, Timestamp Types, and Updated Signature Types to section 6. We
- 1902 may also add additional optional inputs and outputs, if commonality is discovered across multiple
- 1903 profiles.
- 1904 Should <ServicePolicy> be made a permanent part of the protocols? (i.e. *not* an optional input?)
- 1905 **Resolution:** Yes, added to the Request in wd-13.
- 1906 Should we use URLs or URNs for our schema namespace URI?
- 1907 **Resolution:** URL (in draft 17)
- 1908 Should we add a WSS Security Binding?
- 1909 Resolution: not now

1910	Should we add some way for an external policy authority to vouch for some portion of a request?
1911	Resolution: not in the core
1912	Should RequestID be removed?
1913	Resolution: No.
1914	Should input documents have a Refld attribute?
1915	Resolution: No.
1916	Should <signatureptr> be optional when there's only 1 input doc, with 1 signature?</signatureptr>
1917	Resolution: Yes.
1918	Should the server return the <profile> it used?</profile>
1919	Resolution: Yes.
1920 1921	Further Issues discussed and resolved are to be found in the latest revision of the Comments Tracking Document (oasis-dss-1.0-comments-track-wd-##).
1922	Resolution: Not applicable.

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## **Appendix A. Use of Exclusive Canonicalization**

Exclusive Canonicalization of dereferenced and transformed data can be achieved by appending exclusive canonicalization as the last transform in the <ds:Transforms> element of <TransformedData> or <DocumentHash>.

In the case of <Document> being used this can be done by adding exclusive canonicalization as the last transform in the <ds:Transforms> of a <SignedReference> pointing to that <Document>.

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By doing this the resulting data produced by the chain of transforms will always be octet stream data which will be hashed without further processing on a <ds:Reference> level by the server as indicated by basic processing section 3.3.1 step 1 b. and c.

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Another possibility to apply exclusive canonicalization on <ds:Reference> level is the freedom given to servers to apply additional transforms to increase robustness. This however implies that only trustworthy transformations are appended by a server.

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- As in section 3.3.1 step 1 b an implementation can choose to use exclusive canonicalization: "... Transforms are applied as a server implementation MAY choose to increase robustness of the Signatures created. These Transforms may reflect idiosyncrasies of different parsers or solve encoding issues and so on. ..."
- In such a case that the exclusive canonicalization is to be included in the <ds:Transforms> as well (cf. section 3.3.1 step 1.d.v.)

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The standards default is however in line with [XMLSig] as indicated in the Note in section 3.3.1 step 1 b.

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However after the server formed a <ds:SignedInfo> (section 3.3.1 step 3.) this information to be signed also needs to be canonicalized and digested, here [XMLSig] offers the necessary element <ds:CanonicalizationMethod> directly and can be used to specify exclusive canonicalization.

## 2029 Appendix B. Revision History

Rev	Date	By Whom	What
wd-01	2003-10-03	Trevor Perrin	Initial version
wd-02	2003-10-13	Trevor Perrin	Skeleton of verify as well
wd-03	2003-10-19	Trevor Perrin	Added TimeStampToken, References
wd-04	2003-10-29	Trevor Perrin	Fleshed things out
wd-05	2003-11-9	Trevor Perrin	Added Name, clarified options-handling
wd-06	2003-11-12	Trevor Perrin	Added more options/outputs
wd-07	2003-11-25	Trevor Perrin	URNs, <timestamp>, other changes.</timestamp>
Wd-08	2003-12-6	Trevor Perrin	Many suggestions from Juan Carlos, Frederick, and Nick incorporated.
Wd-09	2004-1-6	Trevor Perrin	A few minor tweaks to fix a typo, add clarity, and change the order of SignResponse's children
wd-10	2004-1-20	Trevor Perrin	Organized references, updated processing details, touched up a few things.

Rev	Date	By Whom	What
Wd-11	2004-2-04	Trevor Perrin	Added transport and security bindings, and <language> optional input</language>
wd-12	2004-2-12	Trevor Perrin	Editorial suggestions from Frederick
wd-13	2004-2-29	Trevor Perrin	Added SOAP Transport binding, and made 'Profile' attribute part of the Request messages, instead of an option.
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wd-18	2004-4-04	Trevor Perrin	Fixes from Karel Wouters
wd-19	2004-4-15	Trevor Perrin	ResultMajor URIs, AdditionalProfile
wd-20	2004-4-19	Trevor Perrin	Updated <timestamp>, few tweaks</timestamp>
wd-21	2004-5-11	Trevor Perrin	CMS, special handling of enveloping/enveloped DSIG, multisignature DSIG verification.
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wd-32	20050629	Stefan Drees	Synchronized with Schema, clarified ambiguity issues in Basic Processing for CMS Signatures and Transforms.
wd-33	20050715	Stefan Drees	Added Feedback from mailing list and telco 20050708. Introduced <inlinexmltype>. Simplified basic processing.</inlinexmltype>
wd-34	20051021	Stefan Drees	Added Feedback from discussions of technical committee members from 20050808 through 20051020:  - Structural changes (optional inputs etc.),  - new basic processing,  - consistent handling of XPath and  - editorial changes/fixes.  Preparation for cd-34 candidate:  - Schema element  - Canonicalization  - Manifest validation.

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