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# Developing Outbound API Requesters Applications



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### **Overview**

These exercises demonstrate the steps required to enable COBOL programs to invoke RESTful APIs. There are two samples provided to do this. One sample uses RESTful APIs to access a CICS program and the other uses RESTful APIs to interact with an MQ queue. Note that even though these APIs are hosted in z/OS Connect EE server these same steps could be followed to access APIs hosted anywhere in the cloud.

The process starts with the Swagger document that describes the API which the COBOL program will invoke. The Swagger document is used by the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit to (1) generate the COBOL copy books included in the COBOL program to invoke the API (2) as well as an API requester archive file (ARA) which is deployed to a z/OS Connect EE server.

The diagram shows this process at a high level. The copy books generated by the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit will be integrated into a COBOL program to provide (1) the COBOL representation of the request and response messages and to identity (2) the HTTP method to be used in the RESTful request. The API requester archive file will be deployed to a z/OS Connect EE server and used to convert (1) the COBOL request and response messages to JSON messages and to invoke (2) the outbound RESTful request and wait for the response.



In this exercise the COBOL program will be compiled and executed in a batch environment. The only differences between batch and CICS and IMS is the configuration required for connecting to the z/OS Connect EE server. Consult the z/OS Connect EE Knowledge Center for information how this is done for CICS and IMS.

If you have completed either the developing APIs exercise for MVS Batch, DB2 or MQ you can start with section *RESTful API Requester to a CICS* on page 8.

**Important:** The REST API provider applications used in this exercise access a CICS container application and MQ. These APIs were developed using the instructions provided in other exercises in this workshop. The REST API providers could have just as easily have been anywhere in the cloud on any remote system as long as the Swagger document for the REST API was available.

# General Exercise Information and Guidelines

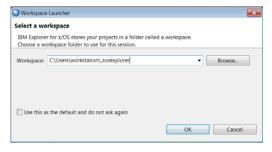
- ✓ The Windows artifacts for this exercise are in directory  $c:\z\arraycolor{prompt}$  Open a DOS command prompt Window and go to this directory using a change directory command, e.g.  $cd \z\arraycolor{prompt}{c} \z\arraycolor{prompt}{c}$
- ✓ Viewing or changing the contents of a file can easily be done by opening the Windows Explorer and going to directory *c:\z\apiRequester*. One this folder is display you can select a file and right mouse button click and select the *Open with EditPad Lite* option to open a file for viewing.
- ✓ This exercise requires using TSO user *USER1* and the TSO password for this user will be provided by the lab instructor.
- ✓ This exercise primarily uses data sets *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL* and *USER.ZCEE.SOURCE*.
- ✓ Any time you have any questions about the use of IBM z/OS Explorer, 3270 screens, features or tools do not hesitate to ask the instructor for assistance.

# Connect the IBM z/OS Explorer to the z/OS system

Begin by establishing a connection to the z/OS system from IBM z/OS Explorer. If you have performed one of the other exercises in this series of exercises this step may not be required.

**Tech-Tip:** Windows desktop tools can be opened either by double clicking the icon or by selecting the icon and right mouse button clicking and then selecting the *Open* option.

- 1. On the workstation desktop, locate the *z/OS Explorer* icon and double click on it to open the Explorer.
- 2. You will be prompted for a workspace:

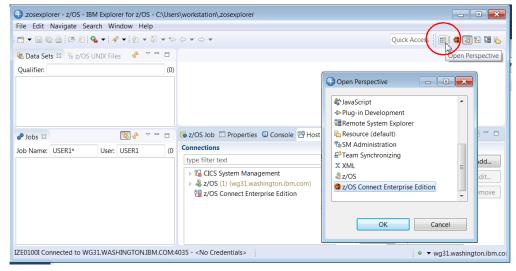


Take the default value by clicking **OK**.

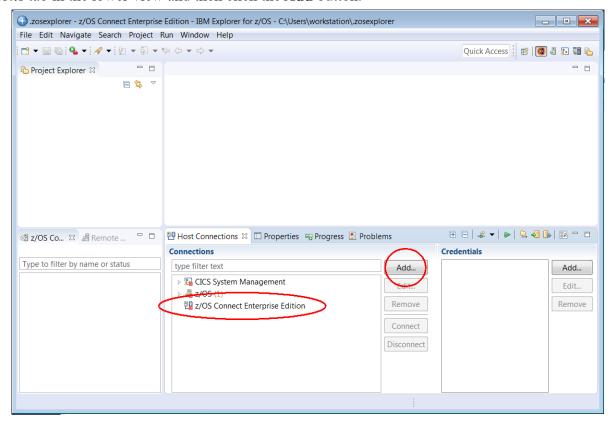
\_3. The Explorer should open in the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* perspective. Verify this by looking in the upper left corner. You should see:



- N.B. If a *Welcome* screen is displayed then click the white X beside *Welcome* to close this view.
- \_4. If the current perspective is not *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition*, select the *Open Perspective* icon on the top right side to display the list of available perspectives, see below. Select **z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition** and click the **OK** button to switch to this perspective.



5. To add a connection to the z/OS Connect Server select *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* connection in the *Host connections* tab in the lower view and then click the **Add** button.



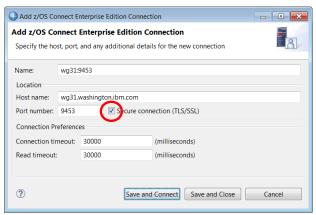
**Tech-Tip:** Eclipse based development tools like z/OS Explorer; provide a graphical interface consisting of multiple views within a single window.

A view is an area in the window dedicated to providing a specific tool or function. For example, in the window above, *Host Connections* and *Remote Systems* are views that use different areas of the window for displaying information. At bottom on the right there is a single area for displaying the contents of four views stacked together (commonly called a *stacked views*), *z/OS Remote Systems*, *Tasks*, *Host Connections*, and *z/OS File Systems*. In a stacked view, the contents of each view can be displayed by clicking on the view tab (the name of the view).

At any time, a specific view can be enlarged to fill the entire window by double clicking in the view's title bar. Double clicking in the view's title bar will be restored the original arrangement. If a z/OS Explorer view is closed or otherwise disappears, the original arrangement can be restored by selecting Windows  $\rightarrow$  Reset Perspective in the window's tool bar.

Eclipse based tools also can display multiple views based on the current role of the user. In this context, a window is known as a perspective. The contents (or views) of a perspective are based on the role the user, i.e., developer or administrator.

\_6. In the pop-up list displayed select z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition and on the Add z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Connection screen enter wg31.washington.ibm.com for the Host name, 9453 for the Port Number, check the box for Secure connection (TLS/SSL) and then click the Save and Connect button.



- \_\_7. On the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition User ID* required screen create new credentials for a *User ID* of *Fred* and a *Password or Passphrase* of *fredpwd* (case matters). Remember the server is configured to use basic security. If SAF security had been enabled, then a valid RACF User ID and password will have to be used instead. Click **OK** to continue.
- \_8. Click the **Accept** button on the *Server certificate alert Accept this certificate* screen. You may be presented with another prompt for a userid and password, enter *Fred* and *fredpwd* again.



- 9. The status icon beside *wg31:9453* should now be a green circle with a lock. This shows that a secure connection has been established between the z/OS Explorer and the z/OS Connect server. A red box indicates that no connection exists.
- 10. A connection to the remote z/OS system was previously added. In the *Host Connection* view expand z/OS *Remote System* under z/OS and select wg31.washington.ibm.com. If the connection is not active the **Connect** button will be enabled. Click the **Connect** button and this will establish a session to the z/OS system. This step is required when submitting job for execution and viewing the output of these jobs later in this exercise.

# Summary

The next step is the creation of the service and the composing and deployment of the API and then the testing of the API functions.

# **RESTful API Requester to a CICS RESTful API**

In this section an API requester will be developed and tested where the target API accesses a CICS Container application. The batch programs will insert records (POST), retrieve records (GET), update record (PUT) and delete records (DELETE) in a VSAM data set.

# Generate the API requester artifacts from a Swagger document

The first step is to use to use the API's Swagger document to generate the artifacts required for the COBOL API client application and the API requester archive file. The Swagger document was obtained from the server where the API is hosted. All the files mention in this section are in directory *c:/z/apiRequester/cscvinc* on your workstation.

The z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (ZCONBT) is a Java application shipped with z/OS Connect EE as a zip file and can be installed on a workstation or in OMVS. Anywhere a Java runtime is available. In this exercise the build toolkit will on Windows.

1. Begin by reviewing the API's Swagger document for the CICS container-based API. Using a CICS container has implications which will be explored later. In the meantime, this document identifies the types of HTTP methods supported as well as the path of each HTTP method. It also the contents each method's request JSON message and the response JSON message field contents and field types. This is the blue print for invoking the API.

```
"swagger": "2.0",
"info": {
   "description": "",
   "version": "1.0.0",
   "title": "cscvinc"
"basePath": "/cscvinc",
"schemes": [
    "https",
    "http"
"consumes": [
    "application/json"
"produces": [
    "application/json"
"paths": {
    "/employee": {
        "post": {
            "operationId": "postCscvincService",
            "parameters": [
                    "in": "body",
                    "name": "postCscvincService_request",
                    "description": "request body",
                    "required": true,
                    "schema": {
                         "$ref": "#/definitions/postCscvincService_request"
                },
```

**Tech-Tip:** Instructions for installing the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit can be found at URL <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt</a> install.html

\_\_2. Next review the input parameters that will be passed to the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit in a properties file. This file is *cscvinc.properties* see its below:

apiDescriptionFile=./cscvinc.swagger <sup>1</sup> dataStructuresLocation=./syslib <sup>2</sup> apiInfoFileLocation=./syslib <sup>3</sup> logFileDirectory=./logs <sup>4</sup> language=COBOL <sup>5</sup> connectionRef=cscvincAPI <sup>6</sup> requesterPrefix=csc <sup>7</sup>

- 1. Identifies the Swagger document that describes the API
- 2. Provides the directory where the generated COBOL copybooks representing the request and response messages will be written.
- 3. Provides the directory where the generated COBOL copybook with invocation details of the API will be written.
- 4. Provides the directory where a log file will be written.
- 5. Identifies the target language.
- 6. Identifies the corresponding *zosconnect\_endpointConnection* element define in the z/OS Connect EE server's server.xml file.
- 7. Provides a 3-character prefix to be used for all generated copybooks
- 3. View file *cscvincAPI.bat* which contains this one line.

c:\z\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./cscvinc.properties -f=./cscvinc.ara

This is batch command file that when executed invokes the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (*zconbt*). The -p switch identifies the input properties file and the -f switch identifies the name of the generate API requester archive file. The API requester archive (ARA) file will be deployed and made available to the z/OS Connect EE server in directory .../resources/zosconnect/apiRequsters.

- \_4. On the workstation desktop, locate the *Command Prompt* icon and double click on it to open a DOS session that will allow commands to be entered.
- 5. Use the change directory command (cd) to change to directory C:\z\api\Requester\cscvinc, e.g.

cd c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc

6. Enter command *cscvincAPI.bat* in the DOS command prompt window and you should see output like the below:

```
c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc>c:\z\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./cscvinc.properties -f=./cscvinc.ara
BAQB0000I: z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Build Toolkit Version 1.0
BAQB0008I: Creating API requester archive from configuration file ./cscvinc.properties
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: putCscvincService, relativePath: /employee,
method: PUT).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: putCscvincService, relativePath: /employee,
method: PUT).
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: postCscvincService, relativePath: /employee,
method: POST).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: postCscvincService, relativePath: /employee,
method: POST).
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: getCscvincService, relativePath: /employee/{numb},
method: GET).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: getCscvincService, relativePath:
/employee/{numb}, method: GET).
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: deleteCscvincService, relativePath:
/employee/{numb}, method: DELETE).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: deleteCscvincService, relativePath:
/employee/{numb}, method: DELETE).
Total 4 operation(s) (success: 4, ignored: 0) defined in api description file: ./cscvinc.swagger
----- Successfully processed operation(s) -----
operationId: putCscvincService, basePath: /cscvinc, relativePath: /employee, method: PUT
- request data structure : CSC00Q01
- response data structure : CSC00P01
- api info file
                          : CSC00I01
operationId: postCscvincService, basePath: /cscvinc, relativePath: /employee, method: POST
- request data structure : CSC01Q01
- response data structure : CSC01P01
- api info file
                          : CSC01I01
operationId: getCscvincService, basePath: /cscvinc, relativePath: /employee/{numb}, method: GET
- request data structure : CSC02Q01
- response data structure : CSC02P01
                        : CSC02I01
- api info file
operationId: deleteCscvincService, basePath: /cscvinc, relativePath: /employee/{numb}, method: DELETE
- request data structure : CSC03Q01
- response data structure : CSC03P01
- api info file
                          : CSC03I01
BAQB0009I: Successfully created API requester archive file ./cscvinc.ara
```

Note that each HTTP method defined in the Swagger document will cause the generation of up to three copy books. One for the request message(Q01), one for the response message(P01) and one for the API details(I01). The copy book names are based on the *requesterPrefix* property (e.g. *csc*) and use an ascending sequence number sequence to differentiate between methods. Also note that there may be fewer than three copy books generated. For example, if there is no response message or no request message for a specific method a copy book may not be generated.

\_7. Now explore a sample snippet of the copy book for the request message of a PUT method. Use *EditPad Lite* to open file c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib\CSC00Q01. Scroll down until you see something like the code below.

```
06 ReqBody.
 09 cscvincServiceOperatio-num PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
 09 cscvincServiceOperation.
   12 Container1.
     15 REQUEST-CONTAINER2-num
                                    PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
     15 REQUEST-CONTAINER.
       18 FILEA-AREA2-num
                                   PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
       18 FILEA-AREA.
         21 NUMB-num
                                   PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
         21 NUMB.
                                PIC S9999 COMP-5 SYNC.
           24 NUMB2-length
                                   PIC X(6).
           24 NUMB2
         21 NAME-num
                                   PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
         21 NAME.
           24 NAME2-length
                               PIC S9999 COMP-5 SYNC.
           24 NAME2
                                    PIC X(20).
```

Note that each variable has an associated length (e.g. *NUMB2-length*). The length of a variable is required since there is no delimiter between the variables in storage. The runtime needs to know the size of a variable at execution time so the request and response messages can be properly converted to and from JSON name/value pairs.

For this API, the Swagger document included an additional variable for the number of occurrences of a variable, (e.g. *NUMB-num*). In this exercise we will set the number of each variable to one.

**Tech-Tip:** This additional variable was included for this API because the target program is a CICS container enabled program and a CICS channel can have multiple occurrences of the same container. The z/OS Connect EE API requester support needs to know number of each variable is being sent (and returned). This behavior is not unique to CICS.

The corresponding response message  $(c:\z\arraycolored)$  will have a similar layout.

\_8. The corresponding API information copy book ( $c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib\CSC00I01$ ) has contents providing the API name and the path to be used for the method:

```
03 BAQ-APINAME
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'cscvinc 1.0.0'.
03 BAO-APINAME-LEN
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
   VALUE 13.
03 BAQ-APIPATH
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE '/cscvinc/employee'.
03 BAQ-APIPATH-LEN
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
   VALUE 17.
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'PUT'.
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD-LEN
   VALUE 3.
```

# Deploy the API Requester Archive file to the z/OS Connect EE server

Next make the API requester archive file available to the z/OS Connect EE server.

The API requester archive (ARA) file needs to be deployed to the API requester directory. In this case the target directory is /var/ats/zosconnect/servers/zceeapir/resources/zosconnect/apiRequesters.

- 1. Open a DOS command session and change to directory c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc, e.g cd c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc
- \_2. Use the z/OS Connect EE RESTful administrative interface to deploy the ARA files by using the cURL command embedded in command file *deployCscvinc.bat*. Invoke this command file to deploy the cscvinc API archive file.

```
c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc>curl -X POST --user Fred:fredpwd --data-binary @cscvin
c.ara --header "Content-Type: application/zip" --insecure https://wg31.washingt
on.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters
{"name":"cscvinc_1.0.0", "version":"1.0.0", "description":"", "status":"Started", "a
piRequesterUrl":"https:\/\/wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483\/zosConnect\/apiRequeste
rs\/cscvinc_1.0.0", "connection":"cscvincAPI"}
```

**Tech-Tip:** If a REST client tool like cURL or Postman was not available then ARA file could have been deployed using FTP to upload the file in binary mode to the *apiRequesters* directory.

**Tech-Tip:** If an ARA needs to be redeployed, the cURL command with a PUT method can be used to stop the API requester

curl -X PUT --user Fred:fredpwd --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/cscvinc\_1.0.0?status=stopped And the cURL command with a DELETE method can be used to delete the API requester.

curl -X DELETE --user Fred:fredpwd --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/cscvinc\_1.0.0 otherwise the redeployment of the ARA file will fail.

3. The z/OS Connect EE server where the API requester will be installed has the configuration below.

```
<server description="API Requester">
    <!-- Enable features -->
    <featureManager>
        <feature>zosconnect:apiRequester-1.0</feature>
        </featureManager>

<zosconnect_endpointConnection id="cscvincAPI"
            host="http://wg31.washington.ibm.com"
            port="9120"
            basicAuthRef="myBasicAuth"
            connectionTimeout="10s"
            receiveTimeout="20s" />

<zosconnect_authData id="myBasicAuth"
            user="Fred"
            password="fredpwd" />

</server>
```

- 1. Identifies the system which hosts the target API as well as any security information and time out parameters. Note that the ID of this element matches the value *connectionRef* property used when the ARA was generated by the z/OS Connect build toolkit.
- 2. The target server uses basic authentication, so we are simply provided a user identity and password. The password can be encrypted in the server.xml file or TLS used for security.

# Move the COBOL copy books to a MVS data set

6. When the last transfer has completed enter the **quit** command.

Next make the generated COBOL copy books available for including into the COBOL program.

The generated COBOL copy books need to be available in an MVS data set which is included in the compiler SYSLIB concatenation sequence. In the data set is *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE*. Use a DOS command prompt session and the commands below to move the copy books file to this data set. Authenticate as user USER1 (password USER1).

_1. Open a DOS command prompt and use the change directory command to go to directory C:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib, e.g. cd \z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib
_2. Start a file transfer session with the WG31 host using the ftp command, e.g. ftp wg31
_3. Logon as USER1 and then use the <i>cd</i> command to change to directory to data set <i>USER1.ZCEE</i> . <i>SOURCE</i> , <i>e.g. cd zcee.source</i>
_4. Toggle prompting off by entering command <b>prompt</b>
_5. Perform multiple put requests by using the multiple put command, mput csc*

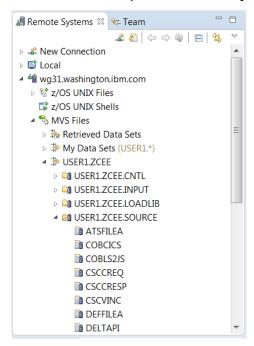
```
c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc>cd syslib
c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib>ftp wg31.washington.ibm.com
Connected to wg31.washington.ibm.com.
220-FTP 16:26:23 on 2018-02-15.
220 Connection will close if idle for more than 200 minutes.
User (wg31.washington.ibm.com:(none)): user1
331 Send password please. user1
Password:
230 USER1 is logged on. Working directory is "USER1.".
ftp> cd zcee.source
250 The working directory "USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE" is a partitioned data set
ftp> prompt
Interactive mode Off .
ftp> mput CSC*
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(CSC00I01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 533 bytes sent in 0.32Seconds 1.66Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
sent in 0.10Seconds 110.89Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(CSC03P01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 7393 bytes sent in 0.32Seconds 22.89Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(CSC03Q01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 1132 bytes sent in 0.40Seconds 2.80Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quit
```

# Review the application programs

Now that the copy books have been generated and are available in a data set the next step is compile and link edit the application programs. The source for the application programs are in USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE. Member DELTAPI invokes the DELETE method, member GETAPI invokes the GET method, POSTAPI invokes the POST method and PUTAPI invokes the PUT method.

**Tech-Tip:** Data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE can be accessed either by using the IBM z/OS Explorer filter created earlier in this exercise or by using the Personal Communication icon on the desktop and logging on to TSO and use ISPF option 3.4 to access this data set. If you have any questions about either method ask the instructor.

\_1. Back in the IBM z/OS Explorer session switch to the *Remote System Explorer* perspective (see page 5) and expand data set *USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE* in the *Remote System view* to display a list of its members.



\_2. Begin by reviewing the application programs GETAPI. Open member *GETAPI* in *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE* and review its contents by selecting the member and right- mouse button clicking and selecting the *Open* option. Scroll down until you see these lines of code.

These lines of code copy into the source the required z/OS Connect EE copy book (BAQRINFO) and the copy books generated by the z/OS Connect EE build tool kit. If when you generated the copy book earlier in the exercise and the sequence number used for the GET method was not 02 then you need to change the COBOL source to match sequence generated when you invoke the ZCONBT tool.

3. Scroll down further until you find this code which provides the contents of the request message.

The *GET* method only requires one variable and it is provided as a path parameter, e.g. /cscvinc/employee/{numb}.

4. Scroll down further and you will the call to the z/OS Connect API requester stub module.

```
* Call the communication stub

* Call the subsystem-supplied stub code to send

* API request to zCEE

CALL COMM-STUB-PGM-NAME USING

BY REFERENCE API-INFO-OPER1

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-INFO

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-LEN

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-INFO

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-INFO

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-LEN.

* The BAQ-RETURN-CODE field in 'BAQRINFO' indicates whether this

* API call is successful.
```

Note that the parameters are being passed by reference. This means that the z/OS Connect API requester stub will have direct access to the program storage for both accessing data and making changes (i.e. the response message).

\_5. Scroll down further and you will see the code where the application displays the results in the response message.

```
IF BAQ-SUCCESS THEN

DISPLAY "NUMB: " numb2 of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "NAME: " name2 of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "ADDRX: " addrx2 of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "PHONE: " phone2 of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "DATEX: " datex2 of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "AMOUNT: " amount2 of API_RESPONSE

MOVE CEIBRESP of API_RESPONSE to EIBRESP

MOVE CEIBRESP2 of API_RESPONSE to EIBRESP2

DISPLAY "EIBRESP: " EIBRESP2

DISPLAY "EIBRESP2: " EIBRESP2

DISPLAY "HTTP CODE: " BAQ-STATUS-CODE
```

Close member *GETAPI* and open member *POSTAPI*. The code for this program is very similar to the code for *GETAPI* with the exception that all variables are provided in a JSON request message. Scroll down and find the code below.

```
* Set up the data for the API Requester call
*_____*
    MOVE 1 to cscvincServiceOperatio-num in API-REQUEST
             REQUEST-CONTAINER2-num in API-REQUEST
             FILEA-AREA2-num in API-REQUEST
             NUMB-num in API-REQUEST
             NAME-num in API-REQUEST
             NUMB-num in API-REQUEST
             NAME-num in API-REQUEST
             ADDRX-num in API-REQUEST
             PHONE-num in API-REQUEST
             DATEX-num in API-REQUEST
             AMOUNT-num in API-REQUEST.
    MOVE numb of PARM-DATA TO numb2 IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of numb2 in API-REQUEST to
        numb2-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "John" TO name2 IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of name2 in API-REOUEST to
        name2-length IN API-REQUEST.
```

In this case the number of each occurrences of a property name must be provided (1) and then the, the length of the property value and finally the property value moved to the request copy book.

\_6. Explore members *DELTAPI* and *PUTAPI* and their corresponding copy books to see the code which is common (variable housekeeping, calls to the z/OS Connect stub, etc.) regardless of the method being invoked.

# Compile and link-edit the application programs

The applications programs now are ready to be compiled and link-edited.

1. Submit the job in member **APIRCL1** in data set *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

```
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL, LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL, PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(POSTAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
           DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(POSTAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAQLIB (BAQCSTUB)
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL,LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL,PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(GETAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(GETAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAOLIB (BAOCSTUB)
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL, LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL, PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM'
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(PUTAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
      DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(PUTAPI)
//LKED.BAOLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAOLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAOLIB (BAOCSTUB)
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL,LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL,PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM'
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(DELTAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
        DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(DELTAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
              DD *
//LKED.SYSIN
  INCLUDE BAOLIB (BAOCSTUB)
```

Note that the CALL statement in each of this program uses a variable for the program name z/OS Connect EE stub program (BAQCSTUB). This means that this program will by dynamically linked at execution. The load module library containing BAQSCTUB (ZCEE30.SBAQLIB) must be available in the STEPLIB concatenation sequence when the program is executed.

This job should complete with a zero-return code.

**Tech Tip:** To submit a job when using the IBM z/OS Explorer select the member and right mouse button click and select the *Submit* option. Or if the member is currently opened simply right mouse button click and select the *Submit* option. Click the **Locate Job** button on the *Job Confirmation* pop-up. This will display the job output in the *Retrieved Job* section under *JES* in the *Remote Systems* view. The job's output can be viewed right mouse button clicking and selecting the *Open* option.

# Test the API requester application programs

The JCL to execute these programs can be found in USER1.ZCEE.CNTL, the member names in this data set match the program names. The members are DELTAPI, GETAPI, POSTAPI and PUTAPI.

1. Submit the job in member **GETAPI** in *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

```
//GETAPI EXEC PGM=GETAPI,PARM='111111'
//STEPLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB
// DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//CEEOPTS DD *
POSIX(ON),
ENVAR("BAQURI=wg31.washington.ibm.com",
"BAQPORT=9120")
```

2. The job should complete with a condition of zero and have the following output for SYSPRINT.

```
NUMB: 111111
NAME: C. BAKER
ADDRX: OTTAWA, ONTARIO
PHONE: 51212003
DATEX: 26 11 81
AMOUNT: $0011.00
EIBRESP: 00000000
EIBRESP: 00000000
HTTP CODE: 0000000200
```

**Tech-Tip:** An HTTP code of 200 indicates success. For an explanation of HTTP codes see URL <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_HTTP\_status\_codes">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_HTTP\_status\_codes</a>

3. Change the PARM='111111' to PARM='000000' and resubmit. This time the output should look like this:

```
NUMB: 000000
NAME:
ADDRX:
PHONE:
DATEX:
AMOUNT:
EIBRESP: 00000013
EIBRESP2: 00000080
HTTP CODE: 000000200
```

The EIBRESP and EIBRESP2 values are from a CICS program and the response codes received when a EXEC CICS READ fails with a *Not Found* condition.

4. Submit the job in member **POSTAPI** in *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

```
//POSTAPI EXEC PGM=POSTAPI,PARM='323232'
//STEPLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB
// DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//CEEOPTS DD *
POSIX(ON),
ENVAR("BAQURI=wg31.washington.ibm.com",
"BAQPORT=9120")
```

\_5. The job should complete with a condition of zero and have the following output for SYSPRINT.

```
NUMB: 323232

NAME: John

ADDRX: Apex

PHONE: 0065

DATEX: 11 22 65

AMOUNT: $1000.65

EIBRESP: 00000000

EIBRESP2: 00000000

HTTP CODE: 0000000200
```

### The available records are listed below:

numb	name	addrx	Phone	datex	amount
000100	S. D. BORMAN	SURREY, ENGLAND	32156778	26 11 81	\$0100.11
000100	J. T. CZAYKOWSI	WARWICK, ENGLAND	98356183	26 11 81	\$1111.11
000104	M. B. DOMBEY	LONDON, ENGLAND	12846293	26 11 81	\$0999.99
000106	A. I. HICKSON	CROYDON, ENGLAND	19485673	26 11 81	\$0087.71
000111	ALAN TULIP	SARATOGA, CALIFORNIA	46120753	01 02 74	\$0111.11
000762	SUSAN MALAIKA	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	22312121	01 06 74	\$0000.00
000983	J. S. TILLING	WASHINGTON, DC	34512120	21 04 75	\$9999.99
001222	D.J.VOWLES	BOBLINGEN, GERMANY	70315551	10 04 73	\$3349.99
001781	TINA J YOUNG	SINDELFINGEN, GERMANY	70319990	21 06 77	\$0009.99
003210	B.A. WALKER	NICE, FRANCE	12345670	26 11 81	\$3349.99
003214	PHIL CONWAY	SUNNYVALE, CAL.	34112120	00 06 73	\$0009.99
003890	BRIAN HARDER	NICE FRANCE	00000000	28 05 74	\$0009.99
004004	JANET FOUCHE	DUBLIN, IRELAND	71112121	02 11 73	\$1259.99
004445	DR. P. JOHNSON	SOUTH BEND, S.DAK.	61212120	26 11 81	\$0009.99
004878	ADRIAN JONES	SUNNYVALE, CALIF.	32212120	10 06 73	\$5399.99
005005	A. E. DALTON	SAN FRANCISCO, CA.	00000001	01 08 73	\$0009.99
005444	ROS READER	SARATOGA, CALIF.	67712120	20 10 74	\$0809.99
005581	PETE ROBBINS	BOSTON, MASS.	41312120	11 04 74	\$0259.99
006016	SIR MICHAEL ROBERTS	NEW DELHI, INDIA	70331211	21 05 74	\$0009.88
006670	IAN HALL	NEW YORK, N.Y.	21212120	31 01 75	\$3509.88
006968	J.A.L. STAINFORTH	WARWICK, ENGLAND	56713821	26 11 81	\$0009.88
007007	ANDREW WHARMBY	STUTTGART, GERMANY	70311000	10 10 75	\$5009.88
007248	M. J. AYRES	REDWOOD CITY, CALF.	33312121	11 10 75	\$0009.88
007779	MRS. A. STEWART	SAN JOSE, CALIF.	41512120	03 01 75	\$0009.88
009000	P. E. HAVERCAN	WATERLOO, ONTARIO	09876543	21 01 75	\$9000.00
100000	M. ADAMS	TORONTO, ONTARIO	03415121	26 11 81	\$0010.00
111111	C. BAKER	OTTAWA, ONTARIO	51212003	26 11 81	\$0011.00
200000	S. P. RUSSELL	GLASGOW, SCOTLAND	63738290	26 11 81	\$0020.00
222222	DR E. GRIFFITHS	FRANKFURT, GERMANY	20034151	26 11 81	\$0022.00
300000	V. J. HARRIS	NEW YORK, U.S.	64739801	26 11 81	\$0030.00
333333	J.D. HENRY	CARDIFF, WALES	78493020	26 11 81	\$0033.00
400000	C. HUNT	MILAN, ITALY	25363738	26 11 81	\$0040.00
444444	D. JACOBS	CALGARY, ALBERTA	77889820	26 11 81	\$0044.00
500000	P. KINGSLEY	MADRID, SPAIN	44454640	26 11 81	\$0000.00
555555	S.J. LAZENBY	KINGSTON, N.Y.	39944420	26 11 81	\$0005.00
600000	M.F. MASON	DUBLIN, IRELAND	12398780	26 11 81	\$0010.00
666666	R. F. WALLER	LA HULPE, BRUSSELS	42983840	26 11 81	\$0016.00
700000	M. BRANDON	DALLAS, TEXAS	57984320	26 11 81	\$0002.00
777777	L.A. FARMER	WILLIAMSBURG, VIRG.	91876131	26 11 81	\$0027.00
800000	P. LUPTON	WESTEND, LONDON	24233389	26 11 81	\$0030.00
888888	P. MUNDY	NORTHAMPTON, ENG.	23691639	26 11 81	\$0038.00
900000	D.S. RENSHAW	TAMPA, FLA.	35668120	26 11 81	\$0040.00
999999	ANJI STEVENS	RALEIGH, N.Y.	84591639	26 11 81	\$0049.00

# **Summary**

You have use the z/OS Connect build toolkit to generate an API requester archive file and the COBOL copy books that must be included in the COBOL application program when accessing the API requester archive file in a z/OS Connect server. The COBOL applications have been compiled and link edited and the target API has been tested using various RESTful methods

# RESTful API Requester to a MQ One-Way RESTful API

In this section an API requester will be developed and tested where the target API accesses a MQ queue. The batch programs will be put messages (POST) to the queue, do non-destructive gets (GET) and destructive gets (DELETE) of messages from the same queue.

# Generate the API requester artifacts from a Swagger document

The first step is to use to use the API's Swagger document to generate the artifacts required for the COBOL API client application and the API requester archive file. The Swagger document was obtained from the server where the API is hosted. All the files mention in this section are in directory *c:/z/apiRequester/fileaqueue* on your workstation.

The z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (ZCONBT) is a Java application shipped with z/OS Connect EE as a zip file and can be installed on a workstation or in OMVS. Anywhere a Java runtime is available. In this exercise the build toolkit will on Windows.

_1	. Begin by reviewing the API's Swagger document for the MQ one-way API. This document identifies the types
	of HTTP methods supported as well as the path of each HTTP method. It also the contents each method's
	request JSON message and the response JSON message field contents and field types. This is the blue print for
	invoking the API.

```
{
    "swagger": "2.0",
    "info": {
        "description": "",
        "version": "1.0.0",
        "title": "fileaqueue"
    "basePath": "/fileagueue",
    "schemes": [
        "https",
        "http"
    ],
    "consumes": [
        "application/json"
    "produces": [
        "application/json"
    "paths": {
        "/mq": {
            "get": {
                 "operationId": "getFilea",
                 "parameters": [
                         "name": "Authorization",
                         "in": "header",
                         "required": false,
                         "type": "string"
                     }
                 ],
```

**Tech-Tip:** Instructions for installing the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit can be found at URL <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt\_install.html">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt\_install.html</a>

2. Next review the input parameters that will be passed to the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit in a properties file. This file is *fileaqueue.properties* see its below:

```
apiDescriptionFile=./fileaqueue.swagger <sup>1</sup> dataStructuresLocation=./syslib <sup>2</sup> apiInfoFileLocation=./syslib <sup>3</sup> logFileDirectory=./logs <sup>4</sup> language=COBOL <sup>5</sup> connectionRef=fileaqueueAPI <sup>6</sup> requesterPrefix=imq <sup>7</sup>
```

- 1. Identifies the Swagger document that describes the API
- 2. Provides the directory where the generated COBOL copybooks representing the request and response messages will be written.

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- 3. Provides the directory where the generated COBOL copybook with invocation details of the API will be written.
- 4. Provides the directory where a log file will be written.
- 5. Identifies the target language.

3. View file *fileagueueAPI.bat* which contains this one line.

cd c:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue

- 6. Identifies the corresponding *zosconnect\_endpointConnection* element define in the z/OS Connect EE server's server.xml file.
- 7. Provides a 3-character prefix to be used for all generated copybooks

5. Use the change directory command (cd) to change to directory apiRequester/fileaqueue, e.g.

	c:\z\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./fileaqueue.properties -f=./fileaqueue.ara
	This is batch command file that when executed invokes the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (zconbt). The -p switch identifies the input properties file and the -f switch identifies the name of the generate API requester archive file. The API requester archive (ARA) file will be uploaded and make available to the z/OS Connect EE server in directory/resources/zosconnect/apiRequsters.
4	On the workstation desktop, locate the <i>Command Prompt</i> icon and double click on it to open a DOS session that will allow commands to be entered.

6. Enter command *fileaqueueAPI.bat* in the DOS command prompt window and you should see output like the below:

```
c:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue>c:\z\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./fileaqueue.properties -f=./fileaqueue.ara
BAOB0000I: z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Build Toolkit Version 1.0
BAQB0008I: Creating API requester archive from configuration file ./fileaqueue.properties
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: getFilea, relativePath: /mq, method: GET).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: getFilea, relativePath: /mq, method: GET).
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: postFileaQueue, relativePath: /mq, method: POST).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: postFileaQueue, relativePath: /mq, method:
POST).
BAOB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: deleteFilea, relativePath: /mg, method: DELETE).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: deleteFilea, relativeP
ath: /mq, method: DELETE).
Total 3 operation(s) (success: 3, ignored: 0) defined in api description file: .
/fileaqueue.swagger
----- Successfully processed operation(s) -----
operationId: getFilea, basePath: /fileagueue, relativePath: /mg, method: GET
- request data structure : No data structure needs to be generated.
- response data structure : IMQ00P01
- api info file
                         : IMQ00101
operationId: postFileaQueue, basePath: /fileaqueue, relativePath: /mq, method: POST
- request data structure : IMQ01Q01
- response data structure: No data structure needs to be generated.
- api info file
                         : IMQ01I01
operationId: deleteFilea, basePath: /fileaqueue, relativePath: /mq, method: DELETE
- request data structure : No data structure needs to be generated.
- response data structure : IMQ02P01
- api info file
                      : IMQ02I01
BAQB0009I: Successfully created API requester archive file ./fileaqueue.ara
```

Note that each HTTP method defined in the Swagger document will normally cause the generation of up to three copy books. One for the request message(Q01), one for the response message(P01) and one for the API details(I01). For this API only two copy books were generated for the messages. One for either the request message or one for the response message. In this case the API did not require both types for any method. Also note that the copy book names are based on the *requesterPrefix* property (e.g. *imq*) and use an ascending sequence number sequence to differentiate between methods.

**Important:** The sequence numbers assigned to a copy book seem to be arbitrary. When you compile the sample programs later in this exercise verify the copy books included for a particular method has the same sequence numbers as generated when you invoke the toolkit.

\_7. Now explore a sample snippet of the copy book for the request message of a PUT method. Use *EditPad Lite* to open file c:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue\syslib\IMQ01Q01. Scroll down until you see something like the code below.

```
06 RegBody.
 09 ATSFILEAOperation.
   12 mqmessage.
     15 stat-length
                                      PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC
     15 stat
                                      PIC X(1).
     15 numb-length
                                      PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC.
                                      PIC X(6).
     15 numb
     15 name-length
                                      PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC.
     15 name
                                      PIC X(20).
     15 addrx-length
                                      PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC.
     15 addrx
                                     PIC X(20).
     15 phone-length
                                     PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                  SYNC.
     15 phone
                                     PIC X(8).
     15 datex-length
                                     PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                  SYNC.
                                     PIC X(8).
     15 datex
     15 amount-length
                                      PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC.
     15 amount
                                      PIC X(8).
     15 comment-length
                                     PIC S9999 COMP-5
                                                                   SYNC.
     15 comment
                                      PIC X(9).
```

Note that each variable has an associated length (e.g. *stat-length*). The length of a variable is required since there is no delimiter between the variables in storage. The runtime needs to know the size of a variable at execution time so the request and response messages can be properly converted to and from JSON name/value pairs.

A response message ( $c:\langle z \rangle$  apiRequester\fileaqueue\syslib\IMQ02P01) will have a similar layout.

\_8. An API information copy book ( $c:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue\syslib\IMQ00I01$ ) has contents providing the API name and the path to be used for the method:

```
03 BAQ-APINAME
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'fileaqueue 1.0.0'.
03 BAQ-APINAME-LEN
                             PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
   VALUE 16.
03 BAQ-APIPATH
                             PIC X(255)
   VALUE '/fileaqueue/mq'.
03 BAQ-APIPATH-LEN
                             PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
  VALUE 14.
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD
                             PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'POST'.
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD-LEN
                             PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
   VALUE 4.
```

# Deploy the API Requester Archive file to the z/OS Connect EE server

Next make the API requester archive file available to the z/OS Connect EE server.

The API requester archive (ARA) file needs to be deployed to the API requester directory. In this case the target directory is /var/ats/zosconnect/servers/zceeapir/resources/zosconnect/apiRequesters.

- \_1. Open a DOS command session and change to directory C:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue, e.g cd \z\apiRequester\fileaqueue
- \_\_4. Use the z/OS Connect EE RESTful administrative interface to deploy the ARA files by using the cURL command embedded in command file *deployFileaqueue.bat*. Invoke this command file to deploy the fileaaueue API archive file.

```
c:\z\apiRequester\fileaqueue>curl -X POST --user Fred:fredpwd --data-binary @fil
eaqueue.ara --header "Content-Type: application/zip" --insecure
https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters
{"name":"fileaqueue_1.0.0","version":"1.0.0","description":"","status":"Started"
,"apiRequesterUrl":"https:\/\/wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483\/zosConnect\/apiReque
sters\/fileaqueue_1.0.0","connection":"fileaqueueAPI"}
```

**Tech-Tip:** If a REST client tool like cURL or Postman was not available then ARA file could have been deployed using FTP to upload the file in binary mode to the *apiRequesters* directory.

**Tech-Tip:** If an ARA needs to be redeployed, the cURL command with a PUT method can be used to stop the API requester

curl -X PUT --user Fred:fredpwd --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/fileaqueue\_1.0.0?status=stopped And the cURL command with a DELETE method can be used to delete the API requester.

curl -X DELETE --user Fred:fredpwd --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/fileaqueue\_1.0.0 otherwise the redeployment of the ARA file will fail.

\_2. The z/OS Connect EE server where the API requester will be installed has the configuration below in its server.xml file.

```
<server description="API Requester">
    <!-- Enable features -->
    <featureManager>
        <feature>zosconnect:apiRequester-1.0</feature>
        </featureManager>

<zosconnect_endpointConnection id="fileaqueueAPI"
        host="http://wg31.washington.ibm.com"
        port="9120"
        basicAuthRef="myBasicAuth"
        connectionTimeout="10s"
        receiveTimeout="20s" />

<zosconnect_authData id="myBasicAuth"
        user="Fred"
        password="fredpwd" />

</server>
```

- 1. Identifies the system which hosts the target API as well as any security information and time out parameters. Note that the ID of this element matches the value *connectionRef* property used when the ARA was generated by the z/OS Connect build toolkit.
- 2. The target server uses basic authentication, so we are simply provided a user identity and password. The password can be encrypted or TLS can be used for security.

# Move the COBOL copy books to a MVS data set

6. When the last transfer has completed enter the **quit** command.

Next make the generated COBOL copy books available for including into the COBOL program.

The generated COBOL copy books need to be available in an MVS data set which is included in the compiler SYSLIB concatenation sequence. In the data set is *USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE*. Use a DOS command prompt session and the commands below to move the copy books file to this data set. Authenticate as user USER1 (password USER1).

```
c:\z\apiReguester\cscvinc>cd syslib
c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib>ftp wg31.washington.ibm.com
Connected to wg31.washington.ibm.com.
220-FTP 16:26:23 on 2018-02-15.
220 Connection will close if idle for more than 200 minutes.
User (wg31.washington.ibm.com:(none)): user1
331 Send password please. user1
Password:
230 USER1 is logged on. Working directory is "USER1.".
ftp> cd zcee.source
250 The working directory "USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE" is a partitioned data set
ftp> prompt
Interactive mode Off .
ftp> mput IMQ*
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(IMQ00I01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 533 bytes sent in 0.32Seconds 1.66Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
sent in 0.10Seconds 110.89Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(IMQ02I01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 7393 bytes sent in 0.32Seconds 22.89Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(IMQ02P01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 1132 bytes sent in 0.40Seconds 2.80Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quit
```

# Review the application programs

Now that the copy books have been generated and are available in a data set the next step is compile and link edit the application programs. The source for the application programs are in *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE*. Member DELMQAPI invokes the DELETE method, member GETMQAPI invokes the GET method and PSTMQAPI invokes the POST method. No changes need to be made to these programs.

**Tech-Tip:** Data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE can be accessed either by using the IBM z/OS Explorer filter created earlier in this exercise or by using the Personal Communication icon on the desktop and logging on to TSO and use ISPF option 3.4 to access this data set. If you have any questions about either method ask the instructor.

1. Begin by reviewing the application programs GETMQAPI. Browse data set *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE* and open member GETMQAPI. Scroll down until you see these lines of code.

These lines of code copy into the source the required z/OS Connect EE copy book (BAQRINFO) and the copy books generated by the z/OS Connect EE build tool kit. If when you generated the copy book earlier in the exercise and the sequence number used for the GET method was not 02 then you need to change the COBOL source to match sequence generated when you invoke the ZCONBT tool.

2. Scroll down further and you will the call to the z/OS Connect API requester stub module.

```
* Call the communication stub

* Call the subsystem-supplied stub code to send

* API request to zCEE

CALL COMM-STUB-PGM-NAME USING

BY REFERENCE API-INFO-OPER1

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-INFO

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-LEN

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-INFO

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR

BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-LEN.

* The BAQ-RETURN-CODE field in 'BAQRINFO' indicates whether this

* API call is successful.
```

Note that the parameters are being passed by reference. This means that the z/OS Connect API requester stub will have direct access to the program storage for both accessing data and making changes (i.e. the response message).

\_3. Scroll down further and you will see the code where the application displays the results in the response message.

```
IF BAQ-SUCCESS THEN

DISPLAY "NUMB: " numb of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "NAME: " name of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "ADDRX: " addrx of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "PHONE: " phone of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "DATEX: " datex of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "AMOUNT: " amount of API_RESPONSE

DISPLAY "HTTP CODE: " BAQ-STATUS-CODE
```

\_4. Exit member *GETMQAPI* and open member *PSTMQAPI*. The code for this program is very similar to the code for *GETMQAPI* with the exception that all variables are provided in a JSON request message. Scroll down and find the code below.

```
* Set up the data for the API Requester call
*_____*
    MOVE "837367" TO numb IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of numb in API-REQUEST to
       numb-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "John" TO name IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of name in API-REOUEST to
       name-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "Apex" TO addrx IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of addrx in API-REQUEST to
        addrx-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "0065" TO phone IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of phone in API-REQUEST to
       phone-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "11 22 65" TO datex IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of datex in API-REQUEST to
        datex-length IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE "$1000.65" TO amount IN API-REQUEST.
    MOVE LENGTH of amount in API-REQUEST to
        amount-length IN API-REQUEST.
```

In this case the length of the property value and finally the property value moved to the request copy book.

\_5. Explore members *DLTMQAPI* and their corresponding copy books to see the code which is common (variable housekeeping, calls to the z/OS Connect stub, etc.) regardless of the method being invoked.

# Compile and link-edit the application programs

The applications programs now are ready to be compiled and link-edited.

1. Submit the job in member **APIRCL2** in data set *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

```
//USER1S JOB MSGCLASS=H, NOTIFY=&SYSUID
//* JCLLIB ORDER=SYS1.ECOBOL.SIGYPROC
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL,LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL,PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM'
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(GETMQAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(GETMQAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAQLIB (BAQCSTUB)
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL,LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL,PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM'
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(DLTMQAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
         DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(DLTMQAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAOLIB (BAOCSTUB)
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL,LNGPRFX=SYS1.ECOBOL,PARM.COBOL='NODYNAM'
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(PSTMQAPI)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(PSTMQAPI)
//LKED.BAQLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  INCLUDE BAOLIB (BAOCSTUB)
```

Note that the CALL statement in each of this program uses a variable for the program name z/OS Connect EE stub program (BAQCSTUB). This means that this program will by dynamically linked at execution. The load module library containing BAQSCTUB (ZCEE30.SBAQLIB) must be available in the STEPLIB concatenation sequence when the program is executed.

The execution of this job should complete with a zero-return code.

# Test the API requester application programs

The JCL to execute these programs can be found in USER1.ZCEE.CNTL, the member names in this data set match the program names. The members are DLTMQAPI, GETMQAPI and PSTMQAPI.

1. Submit the job in member **GETMQAPI** in *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

```
//GETAPI EXEC PGM=GETMQAPI
//STEPLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB
// DD DISP=SHR,DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQLIB
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//CEEOPTS DD *
POSIX(ON),
ENVAR("BAQURI=wg31.washington.ibm.com",
"BAQPORT=9120")
```

2. The job should complete with a condition of zero and have the following output for SYSPRINT.

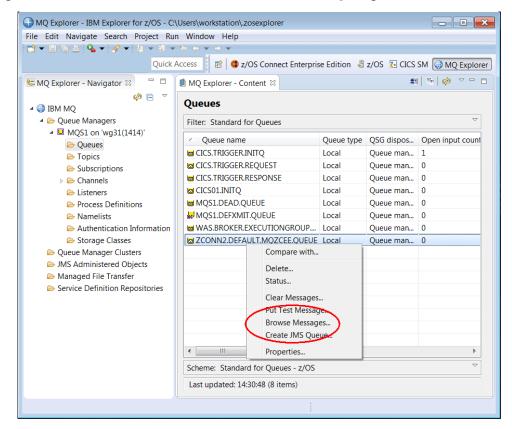
```
NUMB: 000100
NAME: S. D. BORMAN
ADDRX: SURREY, ENGLAND
PHONE: 32156778
DATEX: 26 11 81
AMOUNT: $0100.11
HTTP CODE: 0000000200
```

**Tech-Tip:** An HTTP code of 200 indicates success. For an explanation of HTTP codes see URL https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of HTTP status codes

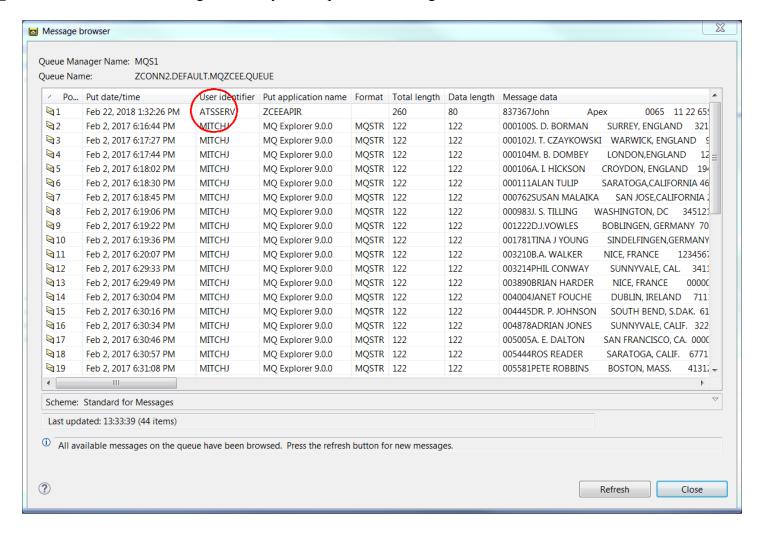
- \_\_3. Submit **GETMQAPI** again and you should see the same results, a GET HTTP method is doing a non-destructive get of messages from the queue.
- \_\_4. Submit the job in member **DLTMQAPI** in *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL* multiple times. The results should be different each time, a DELETE HTP method is doing a destructive get of messages from the queue.
- \_5. Member **PSTMQAPI** in *USER.ZCEE.CNTL* will invokes a POST HTTP method which will put a message on the queue. Submit this job for execution and observe the results. The POST method for this API does not return a response message.

```
HTTP CODE: 000000200
```

- \_6. Confirm by opening the *MQExplorer* icon on the desktop nd browsing the messages in the *ZCONN2.DEFAULT.MQZCEE.QUEUE* queue.
  - Select MQS1 under Queue Managers and right mouse button click
  - Select the *Connect* option.
  - Once connected, expand the *Queues* folder and select *ZCONN2.DEFAULT.MQZEE.QUEUE* and right mouse button click and select the *Browse Messages* option.



7. Your see a list of the messages currently in the queue, something like the list below:



# **RESTful API Requester from a CICS application**

In this section a CICS based API requester will be developed and tested. The target API accessed from the CICS application is used to approve loan requests. The API uses the contents of JSON request to determine if a loan can be approved. The results are returned in a response message including the explanation if the loan is denied.

The rules for rejecting a loan can be for any one of the following:

- If the credit score of the borrower is less than 300.
- If the yearly repayment amount is more than 30% of the borrower's income.
- If the income of the borrower is less than \$24,000.
- If the age of the borrower is more than 65 years.
- The loan amount is more than \$1,000,000.

# Generate the API requester artifacts from a Swagger document

The first step is to use to use the API's Swagger document to generate the artifacts required for the COBOL API client application and the API requester archive file. The Swagger document was obtained from the server where the API is hosted. All the files mention in this section are in directory *c:/z/apiRequester/miniloan* on your workstation.

The z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (ZCONBT) is a Java application shipped with z/OS Connect EE as a zip file and can be installed on a workstation or in OMVS. Anywhere a Java runtime is available. In this exercise the build toolkit will on Windows.

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\_9. Begin by reviewing the API's Swagger document for the API. This document identifies the types of HTTP methods supported as well as the path of each HTTP method. It also the contents each method's request JSON message and the response JSON message field contents and field types. This is the blue print for invoking the API.

```
"swagger": "2.0",
"info": {
  "description": "",
  "version": "1.0.0",
  "title": "miniloancics"
"basePath": "/miniloancics",
"schemes": [
  "https",
  "http"
"consumes": [
  "application/json"
"produces": [
  "application/json"
"paths": {
  "/loan": {
     "post": {
       "tags": [
          "miniloancics"
```

**Tech-Tip:** Instructions for installing the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit can be found at URL <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt\_install.html">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS4SVW\_3.0.0/com.ibm.zosconnect.doc/installing/bt\_install.html</a>

\_10. Next review the input parameters that will be passed to the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit in a properties file. This file is *miniloan.properties*, see its contents below:

apiDescriptionFile=miniloan.swagger <sup>1</sup> dataStructuresLocation=./syslib <sup>2</sup> apiInfoFileLocation=./syslib <sup>3</sup> logFileDirectory=./logs <sup>4</sup> language=COBOL <sup>5</sup> connectionRef=miniloancicsAPI <sup>6</sup> requesterPrefix=min <sup>7</sup>

- 1. Identifies the Swagger document that describes the API
- 2. Identifies the location where the generated COBOL copybooks representing the request and response messages will be written.
- 3. Identifies the location where the generated COBOL copybook with invocation details of the API will be written.
- 4. Provides the location where a log file will be written.
- 5. Identifies the target language.
- 6. Identifies the corresponding *zosconnect\_endpointConnection* element define in the z/OS Connect EE server's server.xml file.
- 7. Provides a 3-character prefix to be used for all generated copybooks

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c:\z\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./miniloan.properties -f=./miniloan.ara

This is batch command file that when executed invokes the z/OS Connect EE build toolkit (*zconbt*). The -p switch identifies the input properties file and the -f switch identifies the name of the generate API requester archive file. The API requester archive (ARA) file will be deployed and made available to the z/OS Connect EE server in directory .../resources/zosconnect/apiRequesters.

- \_12. On the workstation desktop, locate the *Command Prompt* icon and double click on it to open a DOS session that will allow commands to be entered.
- 13. Use the change directory command (cd) to change to directory C:\z\api\Requester\cscvinc, e.g.

cd c:\z\apiRequester\miniloan

14. Enter command *miniloanAPI.bat* in the DOS command prompt window and you should see output like the below:

```
C:\z\apiRequester\miniloan>c:\z\software\zconbt\bin\zconbt.bat -p=./miniloan.properties
 -f=./miniloan.ara
BAQB0000I: z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Build Toolkit Version 1.1.
BAQB0008I: Creating API requester archive from configuration file ./miniloan.properties.
BAQB0040I: The generated API requester is automatically named miniloancics_1.0.0
based on the title miniloancics and version 1.0.0 of the API to be called.
BAQB0015I: Start processing operation (operationId: postMiniloanService, relativePath: /loan, method:
POST).
BAQB0016I: Successfully processed operation (operationId: postMiniloanService, relativePath: /loan,
method: POST).
Total 1 operation(s) (success: 1, ignored: 0) defined in api description file: miniloan.swagger
----- Successfully processed operation(s) -----
operationId: postMiniloanService, basePath: /miniloancics, relativePath: /loan,
method: POST
- request data structure : MIN00001
- response data structure : MIN00P01
- api info file
                         : MIN00101
BAQB0009I: Successfully created API requester archive file ./miniloan.ara.
```

Note that each HTTP method defined in the Swagger document will cause the generation of up to three copy books. One for the request message(Q01), one for the response message(P01) and one for the API details(I01). The copy book names are based on the *requesterPrefix* property (e.g. *MIN*) and use an ascending sequence number sequence to differentiate between methods. Also note that there may be fewer than three copy books generated. For example, if there is no response message or no request message for a specific method a copy book may not be generated.

**Important:** The sequence numbers assigned to a copy book seem to be arbitrary. When you compile the sample programs later in this exercise verify the copy books included for a particular method has the same sequence numbers as generated when you invoke the toolkit.

\_15. Now explore a sample snippet of the copy book for the request message of a POST method. Use *EditPad Lite* to open file c:\z\apiRequester\minloan\syslib\MIN00Q01. Scroll down until you see something like the code below.

06 ReqBody.	
09 MINILOAN-COMMAREA2-num	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
09 MINILOAN-COMMAREA.	
12 NAME-num 12 NAME.	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
	PIC S9999 COMP-5 SYNC. PIC X(20).
12 CREDITSCORE-num	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
12 CREDITSCORE	PIC 9(18) DISPLAY.
12 YEARLYINCOME-num	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
12 YEARLYINCOME	PIC 9(18) DISPLAY.
12 AGE-num	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC.
12 AGE	PIC 9(10) DISPLAY.
12 AMOUNT-num	PIC S9(9) COMP-5 PIC X(20).

Note that each variable has an associated length (e.g. *NAME2-length*). The length of a variable is required since there is no delimiter between the variables in storage. The runtime needs to know the size of a variable at execution time, so the request and response messages can be properly converted to and from JSON name/value pairs.

For this API, the Swagger document included an additional variable for the number of occurrences of a variable, (e.g. *NAME-num*). In this exercise we will set the number of each variable to one.

The corresponding response message ( $c:\z\langle apiRequester\rangle miniloan\rangle syslib\rangle MIN00P01$ ) will have a similar layout.

16. The corresponding API information copy book ( $c:\z\arrangle apiRequester\miniloan\syslib\syslib\miniloan\$ 

```
03 BAQ-APINAME
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'miniloancics 1.0.0'.
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
03 BAO-APINAME-LEN
   VALUE 18.
03 BAQ-APIPATH
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE '%2Fminiloancics%2Floan'.
03 BAQ-APIPATH-LEN
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
   VALUE 22.
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD
                              PIC X(255)
   VALUE 'POST'.
                              PIC S9(9) COMP-5 SYNC
03 BAQ-APIMETHOD-LEN
   VALUE 4.
```

#### Deploy the API Requester Archive file to the z/OS Connect EE server

Next make the API requester archive file available to the z/OS Connect EE server.

The API requester archive (ARA) file needs to be deployed to the API requester directory. In this case the target directory is /var/ats/zosconnect/servers/zceeapir/resources/zosconnect/apiRequesters.

- \_5. Open a DOS command session and change to directory c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc, e.g cd c:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc
- 6. Use the z/OS Connect EE RESTful administrative interface to deploy the ARA files by using the cURL command embedded in command file *deployMiniloan.bat*. Invoke this command file to deploy the miniloan API archive file.

```
C:\z\apiRequester\miniloan>curl -X POST --user user1:user1 --data-binary @minilo an.ara --header "Content-Type: application/zip" --insecure https://wg31.washing ton.ibm.com:9463/zosConnect/apiRequesters/miniloan { "name": "miniloancics_1.0.0", "version": "1.0.0", "description": "", "status": "Starte d", "apiRequesterUrl": "https:\/\/wg31.washington.ibm.com:9463\/zosConnect\/apiReq uesters\/miniloancics_1.0.0", "connection": "miniloancicsAPI" }
```

**Tech-Tip:** If a REST client tool like cURL or Postman was not available then ARA file could have been deployed using FTP to upload the file in binary mode to the *apiRequesters* directory.

**Tech-Tip:** If an ARA needs to be redeployed, the cURL command with a PUT method can be used to stop the API requester

curl -X PUT --user USER1:USER1 --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/miniloan\_1.0.0?status=stopped And the cURL command with a DELETE method can be used to delete the API requester.

curl -X DELETE --user USER1:USER1 --insecure

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9483/zosConnect/apiRequesters/miniloan\_1.0.0 otherwise the redeployment of the ARA file will fail.

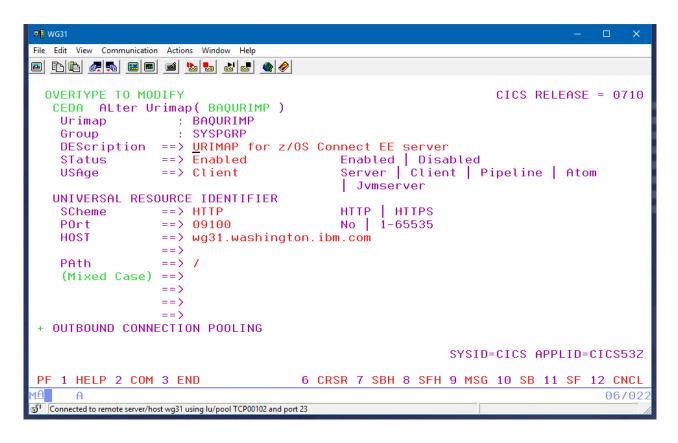
7. The z/OS Connect EE server where the API requester will be installed has the configuration below.

```
<server description="API Requester">
   <!-- Enable features -->
   <featureManager>
       <feature>zosconnect:apiRequester-1.0</feature>
   </featureManager>
 <zosconnect_apiRequesters location="">
           <apiRequester name="miniloancics_1.0.0"</pre>
             requireSecure="false"
            requireAuth="false" />
</zosconnect_apiRequesters>
<zosconnect endpointConnection id="miniloancicsAPI"</pre>
        host="https://wq31.washington.ibm.com"
        port="9463"
        connectionTimeout="10s"
        receiveTimeout="20s" />
</server>
```

- 1. To allow the use of HTTS between CICS and the zCEE server and to bypass authentication an explicit *apiRequesters* element was added with the *requireSecure* and *requireAuth* attributes set to *false*.
- 2. Identifies the system which hosts the target API as well as any security information and time out parameters. Note that the ID of this element matches the value *connectionRef* property used when the ARA was generated by the z/OS Connect build toolkit.

**Tech-Tip:** Explicitly defining the apiRequesters element for an API Requester prevents use of the RESTful administrative interface to manage the API requester.

\_8. The API requester stubs uses the BAQURIMP resource defined to CICS to locate the z/OS Connect EE server where the request will be sent.



## Move the COBOL copy books to a MVS data set

Next make the generated COBOL copy books available for including into the COBOL program.

The generated COBOL copy books need to be available in an MVS data set which is included in the compiler SYSLIB concatenation sequence. In the data set is *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE*. Use a DOS command prompt session and the commands below to move the copy books file to this data set. Authenticate as user USER1 (password USER1).

- \_\_7. Open a DOS command prompt and use the change directory command to go to directory C:\z\apiRequester\cscvinc\syslib, e.g. *cd* \z\apiRequester\miniloan\syslib
- 8. Start a file transfer session with the WG31 host using the ftp command, e.g. ftp wg31
- \_\_9. Logon as USER1 and then use the *cd* command to change to directory to data set *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE*, *e.g. cd zcee.source*
- 10. Toggle prompting off by entering command **prompt**

- 11. Perform multiple put requests by using the multiple put command, mput min\*
- 12. When the last transfer has completed enter the **quit** command.

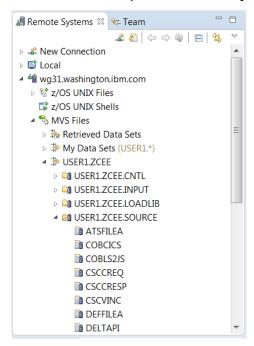
```
c:\z\apiRequester\miniloan>cd syslib
c:\z\apiRequester\miniloan\syslib>ftp wg31.washington.ibm.com
Connected to wg31.washington.ibm.com.
220-FTP 16:26:23 on 2018-02-15.
220 Connection will close if idle for more than 200 minutes.
User (wg31.washington.ibm.com:(none)): user1
331 Send password please. user1
Password:
230 USER1 is logged on. Working directory is "USER1.".
ftp> cd zcee.source
250 The working directory "USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE" is a partitioned data set
ftp> prompt
Interactive mode Off .
ftp> mput MIN*
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(MIN00I01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 544 bytes sent in 0.00Seconds 544000.00Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(MIN00P01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 13081 bytes sent in 0.00Seconds 13081000.00Kbytes/sec.
200 Port request OK.
125 Storing data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(MIN00Q01)
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 6980 bytes sent in 0.00Seconds 6980000.00Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quit
```

## Review the application programs

Now that the copy books have been generated and are available in a data set the next step is compile and link edit the application program.

**Tech-Tip:** Data set USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE can be accessed either by using the IBM z/OS Explorer filter created earlier in this exercise or by using the Personal Communication icon on the desktop and logging on to TSO and use ISPF option 3.4 to access this data set. If you have any questions about either method ask the instructor.

\_1. Back in the IBM z/OS Explorer session switch to the *Remote System Explorer* perspective (see page 5) and expand data set *USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE* in the *Remote System view* to display a list of its members.



\_2. Begin by reviewing the application programs LOANAPIR. Open member *LOANAPIR* in *USER1.ZCEE*. *SOURCE* and review its contents by selecting the member and right- mouse button clicking and selecting the *Open* option. Scroll down until you see these lines of code.

These lines of code copy into the source the required z/OS Connect EE copy book (BAQRINFO) and the copy books generated by the z/OS Connect EE build tool kit.

Scroll down further until you find this code which sets the contents of the request message and invoke the API.

```
WHEN DFHENTER
  MOVE NAMEI
                     to NAME2 in API-REQUEST
  MOVE LENGTH of NAME2 in API-REQUEST to
       NAME2-length in API-REQUEST
  MOVE AGEI to AGE in API-REQUEST
  MOVE CRDSCREI to CREDITSCORE in API-REQUEST
  MOVE INCOMEI to YEARLYINCOME in API-REQUEST
  MOVE AMOUNTI to AMOUNT in API-REQUEST
  MOVE YRPAYMNTI
              To YEARLYREPAYMENT in API-REQUEST
  MOVE 1 to MINILOAN-COMMAREA2-num IN API-REQUEST
 MOVE 1 to NAME-num IN API-REQUEST MOVE 1 to CREDITSCORE-num IN API-REQUEST MOVE 1 to YEARLYINCOME-num IN API-REQUEST MOVE 1 to AGE-num IN API-REQUEST
  MOVE 1 to AGE-num IN API-REQUEST MOVE 1 to AMOUNT-num IN API-REQUEST
  MOVE 1 to YEARLYREPAYMENT-num IN API-REQUEST
  PERFORM INVOKE-API
```

3. Scroll down further to see the CICS commands to display the results on the screen.

```
IF BAQ-SUCCESS THEN
      IF APPROVED2 in API-RESPONSE = 'T'
       MOVE 'Loan approved' to approvedo
       MOVE 'Loan not approved' to approvedo
      END-IF
      MOVE UID2
                    TO UIDO
      MOVE MESSAGES2(1) TO MSG1O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(2) TO MSG2O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(3) TO MSG3O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(4) TO MSG4O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(5) TO MSG5O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(6) TO MSG6O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(7) TO MSG7O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(8) TO MSG8O
      MOVE MESSAGES2(9) TO MSG9O
    ELSE
    END-IF.
EXEC CICS SEND CONTROL ERASE END-EXEC
EXEC CICS SEND MAP('MINIMAP')
  MAPSET('MINIMAP')
  FREEKB ERASE END-EXEC
EXEC CICS RETURN TRANSID ('APIR')
  COMMAREA (COMMAREA-BUFFER) END-EXEC.
```

4. Scroll down further and you will the call to the z/OS Connect API requester stub module.

```
INVOKE-API SECTION.
    *_____*
    * Initialize API Requester PTRs & LENs
    *_____*
    * Use pointer and length to specify the location of
     request and response segment.
    * This procedure is general and necessary.
         SET BAQ-REQUEST-PTR TO ADDRESS OF API-REQUEST
         MOVE LENGTH OF API-REQUEST TO BAQ-REQUEST-LEN
         SET BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR TO ADDRESS OF API-RESPONSE
         MOVE LENGTH OF API-RESPONSE TO BAQ-RESPONSE-LEN
    * Call the communication stub
    *----*
    * Call the subsystem-supplied stub code to send
    * API request to zCEE
         CALL COMM-STUB-PGM-NAME USING
             BY REFERENCE API-INFO-OPER1
             BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-INFO
             BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-PTR
             BY REFERENCE BAQ-REQUEST-LEN
             BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-INFO
             BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-PTR
BY REFERENCE BAQ-RESPONSE-LEN.
* The BAQ-RETURN-CODE field in 'BAQRINFO' indicates whether this
    * API call is successful.
      CHECK-API-ERROR SECTION.
    * Some error happened in API, z/OS Connect EE server
    * or communication stub. 'BAQ-STATUS-CODE' and
    * 'BAQ-STATUS-MESSAGE' contain the detailed information
    * of this error.
           DISPLAY "Error code: " BAQ-STATUS-CODE
           DISPLAY "Error msg: " BAQ-STATUS-MESSAGE
           MOVE BAQ-STATUS-CODE TO EM-CODE
           MOVE BAQ-STATUS-MESSAGE TO EM-DETAIL
           EVALUATE TRUE
    * When error happens in API, BAQ-RETURN-CODE is BAQ-ERROR-IN-API.
    * BAQ-STATUS-CODE is the HTTP response code of API.
              WHEN BAQ-ERROR-IN-API
                MOVE 'API' TO EM-ORIGIN
    * When error happens in server, BAQ-RETURN-CODE is
    * BAQ-ERROR-IN-ZCEE
    * BAQ-STATUS-CODE is the HTTP response code of
    * z/OS Connect EE server.
              WHEN BAQ-ERROR-IN-ZCEE
                MOVE 'ZCEE' TO EM-ORIGIN
    * When error happens in communication stub, BAQ-RETURN-CODE is
    * BAQ-ERROR-IN-STUB, BAQ-STATUS-CODE is the error code of STUB.
              WHEN BAO-ERROR-IN-STUB
                MOVE 'STUB' TO EM-ORIGIN
           END-EVALUATE
```

Note that the parameters are being passed by reference. This means that the z/OS Connect API requester stub will have direct access to the program storage for both accessing data and making changes (i.e. the response message).

## Compile and link-edit the application programs

The applications programs now are ready to be compiled and link-edited.

2. Submit the job in member **LOANAPIR** in data set *USER1.ZCEE.CNTL*.

Note that the CALL statement in each of this program uses a variable for the program name z/OS Connect EE stub program (BAQCSTUB). This means that this program will by dynamically linked at execution. The load module library containing the CICS version of BAQSCTUB (SBAQLIB1) must be available in the DFHRPL concatenation sequence when the program is executed.

```
//COMPILE EXEC IGYWCL, LNGPRFX=IGY610,
// PARM.COBOL='LIB, NODYNAM, CICS, SIZE(4000K)'
//COBOL.STEPLIB DD
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=CICSTS54.CICS.SDFHLOAD
//COBOL.SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE(LOANAPIR)
//COBOL.SYSLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ODM.JCL
//
        DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.SOURCE
//
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=ZCEE30.SBAQCOB
//
              DD DISP=SHR, DSN=CICSTS54.CICS.SDFHCOB
//LKED.SYSLMOD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=USER1.ZCEE.LOADLIB(LOANAPIR)
//LKED.CICSLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=CICSTS54.CICS.SDFHLOAD
//LKED.SYSIN
              DD *
 INCLUDE CICSLIB(DFHELII)
```

This job should complete with a zero-return code.

**Tech Tip:** To submit a job when using the IBM z/OS Explorer select the member and right mouse button click and select the *Submit* option. Or if the member is currently opened simply right mouse button click and select the *Submit* option. Click the **Locate Job** button on the *Job Confirmation* pop-up. This will display the job output in the *Retrieved Job* section under *JES* in the *Remote Systems* view. The job's output can be viewed right mouse button clicking and selecting the *Open* option.

## Test the API requester application programs

- \_1. In a new or existing 3270 session start a session with CICS, clear the screen and enter CICS transaction *CEDF* to start a CICS execution diagnostic facility (EDF).
- 2. Clear the screen again and enter CICS transaction APIR.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
TRANSACTION: APIR PROGRAM: LOANAPIR TASK: 0000212 APPLID: CICS53Z DISPLAY:
 STATUS: PROGRAM INITIATION
    EIBTIME
                  = 84719
                  = 0119198
    EIBDATE
    EIBTRNID
                  = 'APIR'
                 = 212
    EIBTASKN
    EIBTRMID
                  = '0115'
    FIBCPOSN
                  = 0
    EIBCALEN
    EIBAID
                  = X'7D'
                                                                       AT X'1570011A'
                  = X'0000'
                                                                       AT X'1570011B'
    FIBEN
                                                                       AT X'1570011D'
    EIBRCODE
                 = X'000000000000'
    EIBDS
    EIBREOID
ENTER: CONTINUE
PF1 : UNDEFINED
                            PF2 : SWITCH HEX/CHAR
                                                         PF3 : END EDF SESSION
PF4 : SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                            PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                         PF6 : USER DISPLAY
PF7 : SCROLL BACK
                            PF8 : SCROLL FORWARD
                                                         PF9 : STOP CONDITIONS
PF10: PREVIOUS DISPLAY
                            PF11: EIB DISPLAY
                                                         PF12: UNDEFINED
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                                                                                19/026
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```

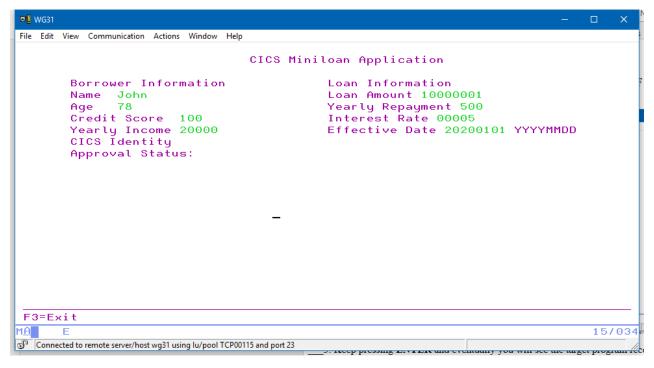
3. Use the **F9** key to set a stop condition. Set a stop on **EXEC CICS WEB OPEN** commands.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
 TRANSACTION: APIR PROGRAM: LOANAPIR TASK: 0000212 APPLID: CICS53Z
  DISPLAY ON CONDITION: -
                                EXEC CICS web open_
       COMMAND:
                                           X^{+}\dots
       OFFSET:
       LINE NUMBER:
       CICS EXCEPTIONAL CONDITION:
                                           ERROR
       ANY CICS CONDITION
                                           NO
       TRANSACTION ABEND
                                           YES
       NORMAL TASK TERMINATION
                                           YES
       ABNORMAL TASK TERMINATION
                                           YES
       DLI ERROR STATUS:
       ANY DLI ERROR STATUS
 ENTER:
         CURRENT DISPLAY
 PF1 : UNDEFINED
                             PF2 : UNDEFINED
                                                           PF3 : UNDEFINED
 PF4: SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                             PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                           PF6 : USER DISPLAY
 PF7 : UNDEFINED
                             PF8 : UNDEFINED
                                                                 UNDEFINED
 PF10: UNDEFINED
                              PF11: UNDEFINED
                                                           PF12: REMEMBER DISPLAY
                                                                                  04/048
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```

4. Use the **F4** key to suppress the intervening EDF displays. Eventually EDF will stop on a task termination screen. Ensure the *Reply* is set to **Yes** and press **Enter** to continue.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
                                         TASK: 0000273 APPLID: CICS53Z DISPLAY:
 TRANSACTION: APIR
  STATUS: TASK TERMINATION
 CONTINUE EDF? (ENTER YES OR NO)
                                                                       REPLY: YES
ENTER: CONTINUE
PF1 : UNDEFINED
                              PF2 : SWITCH HEX/CHAR
                                                          PF3 : END EDF SESSION
PF4 : SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                            PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                          PF6 : USER DISPLAY
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                             PF11: EIB DISPLAY
                                                           PF12: UNDEFINED
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```

5. Enter the information shown below and press Enter.



6. Suppress the EDF displays again using the **F4** key. Eventually there will be *EXEC CICS WEB OPEN* request.

```
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File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
 TRANSACTION: APIR PROGRAM: LOANAPIR TASK: 0000280 APPLID: CICS53Z DISPLAY:
  STATUS: ABOUT TO EXECUTE COMMAND
  EXEC CICS WEB OPEN
   URIMAP ('BAQURIMP')
   SESSTOKEN ('....')
   NOHANDLE
                           LINE:00032400
                                                       EIBFN=X'3818'
 ENTER: CONTINUE
PF1 : UNDEFINED
                             PF2 : SWITCH HEX/CHAR
                                                          PF3: UNDEFINED
PF4 : SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                             PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                          PF6 : USER DISPLAY
PF7 : SCROLL BACK
                             PF8 : SCROLL FORWARD
                                                          PF9 : STOP CONDITIONS
PF10: PREVIOUS DISPLAY
                             PF11: EIB DISPLAY
                                                          PF12: ABEND USER TASK
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                                                                                  11/031
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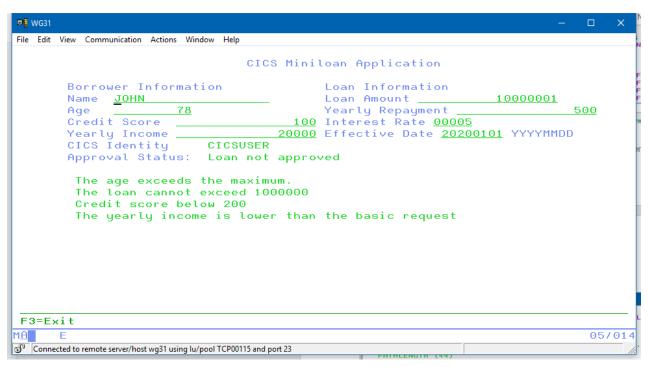
7. Keep pressing the **Enter** key until the *EXEC CICS WEB WRITE* EDF screen is displayed.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
 TRANSACTION: APIR PROGRAM: LOANAPIR TASK: 0000280 APPLID: CICS53Z DISPLAY:
  STATUS: ABOUT TO EXECUTE COMMAND
  EXEC CICS WEB WRITE
   HTTPHEADER ('zCEE-ApiRequester-Metadata')
   NAMELENGTH (26)
   VALUE ('zCEE-ApiRequester-Path=%2Fminiloancics%2Floan&zCEE-ApiRequester'...)
   VALUELENGTH (75)
SESSTOKEN ('....')
   NOHANDLE
                            LINE:00079100
                                                        EIBFN=X'380E'
 ENTER: CONTINUE
 PF1 : UNDEFINED
                              PF2 : SWITCH HEX/CHAR
                                                           PF3 : UNDEFINED
                                                           PF6 :
 PF4 : SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                              PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                                  USER DISPLAY
 PF7: SCROLL BACK
                              PF8 : SCROLL FORWARD
                                                           PF9 : STOP CONDITIONS
 PF10: PREVIOUS DISPLAY
                                                           PF12: ABEND USER TASK
                              PF11: EIB DISPLAY
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                                                  DE7 · SCROLL BACK
```

8. Press the **Enter** key until the *EXEC CICS WEB CONVERSE* EDF screen is displayed.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
TRANSACTION: APIR PROGRAM: LOANAPIR TASK: 0000280 APPLID: CICS53Z DISPLAY:
 STATUS: ABOUT TO EXECUTE COMMAND
 EXEC CICS WEB CONVERSE
  SESSTOKEN ('....')
  PATH ('/zosConnect/apiRequesters/miniloancics_1.0.0')
  PATHLENGTH (44)
  METHOD (636)
FROM ('....
                ...JOHN
                                                           100.....
  TOLENGTH (6338)
  STATUSCODE (0)
  STATUSTEXT ('.....v{..y.n....y...j.....yH..t....t.nzT&n...n....'...)
  STATUSLEN (256)
  NOHANDLE
                       LINE:00036000
                                                FIBEN=X'381C'
ENTER: CONTINUE
PF1 : UNDEFINED
                         PF2 : SWITCH HEX/CHAR
                                                   PF3 : UNDEFINED
PF4 : SUPPRESS DISPLAYS
                         PF5 : WORKING STORAGE
                                                   PF6: USER DISPLAY
PF7 : SCROLL BACK
                         PF8 : SCROLL FORWARD
                                                   PF9 : STOP CONDITIONS
PF10: PREVIOUS DISPLAY
                         PF11: EIB DISPLAY
                                                   PF12: ABEND USER TASK
                                                                        01/001
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```

9. Keep pressing **Enter** until the results of the loan application is displayed.



10. Repeat loan applications with and/or with EDF to see the results of various scenarios.

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