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This specification describes the use of HTTP over TLS as a transfer mechanism for OpenC2 messages.

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# 1 Introduction

> **Editor's Note:** The OpenC2 TC is still in the process of refining common language across the suite of documents. The language here is a placeholder for final language still under development.

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The OpenC2 Language Specification [OpenC2-Lang-v1.0] defines a language used to compose messages for command and control of cyber defense systems and components. A message consists of a header (defined in this specification) and a payload (*defined* as a message body in the OpenC2 Language Specification Version 1.0 and *specified* in one or more actuator profiles).

In general, there are two types of participants involved in the exchange of OpenC2 messages:

1. **OpenC2 Producers:** An OpenC2 "Producer" is an entity that creates commands to provide instruction to one or more systems to act in accordance with the content of the command. An OpenC2 Producer may receive and process responses in conjunction with a command.
2. **OpenC2 Consumers:** An OpenC2 Consumer is an entity that receives and acts on an OpenC2 command. An OpenC2 consumer may create responses that provide any information captured or necessary to send back to the OpenC2 Producer.

This specification defines the procedures and conventions used when using Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) and Transport Layer Security (TLS) for the transport of OpenC2 command and response messages between OpenC2 producers and consumers.

This specification is one of an expected portfolio of transfer specifications; implementers of OpenC2 should select one or more transfer specifications to implement, consistent with the characteristics and requirements of their cyber eco-system.

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A list of acronyms is provided in Annex A.

## 1.3 Normative References

### [RFC2119]

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### [RFC2818]

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#### **[OpenC2-Lang-v1.0]**

*Open Command and Control (OpenC2) Language Specification Version 1.0.*

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- OpenC2 Language Specification

## **1.4 Non-Normative References**

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Moore, K., "On the use of HTTP as a Substrate", BCP 56, RFC 3205, DOI 10.17487/RFC3205, February 2002, <<https://www.rfc-editor.org/info/rfc3205>>.

#### **[RFC6546]**

Trammell, B., "Transport of Real-time Inter-network Defense (RID) Messages over HTTP/TLS", RFC 6546, DOI 10.17487/RFC6546, April 2012, <<https://www.rfc-editor.org/info/rfc6546>>.

#### **[RFC7525]**

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#### **[OpenC2 Glossary]**

OpenC2 Glossary. Edited by Duncan Sparrell and TODO. Date-TODO. OASIS TODO. link TODO. <https://github.com/oasis-tcs/openc2-glossary/blob/master/glossary.md>

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## 1.5 Overview

This document specifies the use of Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) over Transport Layer Security (TLS) as a transport mechanism for OpenC2 messages; this HTTP/TLS layering is typically referred to as HTTPS [RFC2818]. As described in [RFC3205], HTTP has become a common "substrate" for information transfer for other application-level protocols. The broad availability of HTTP makes it a useful option for OpenC2 message transport in support of prototyping, interoperability testing, and for operational use in environments where appropriate security protections can be provided. Similarly, TLS is a mature and widely-used protocol for securing information transfers in TCP/IP network environments. This specification provide guidance to the OpenC2 implementation community when utilizing HTTPS for OpenC2 message transport. It includes guidance for selection of TLS versions and options suitable for use with OpenC2 (see Section 3.2.3).

Note that this specification does not describe the use of HTTPS to access a RESTful application programming interface (API) for OpenC2.

## 1.6 Suitability

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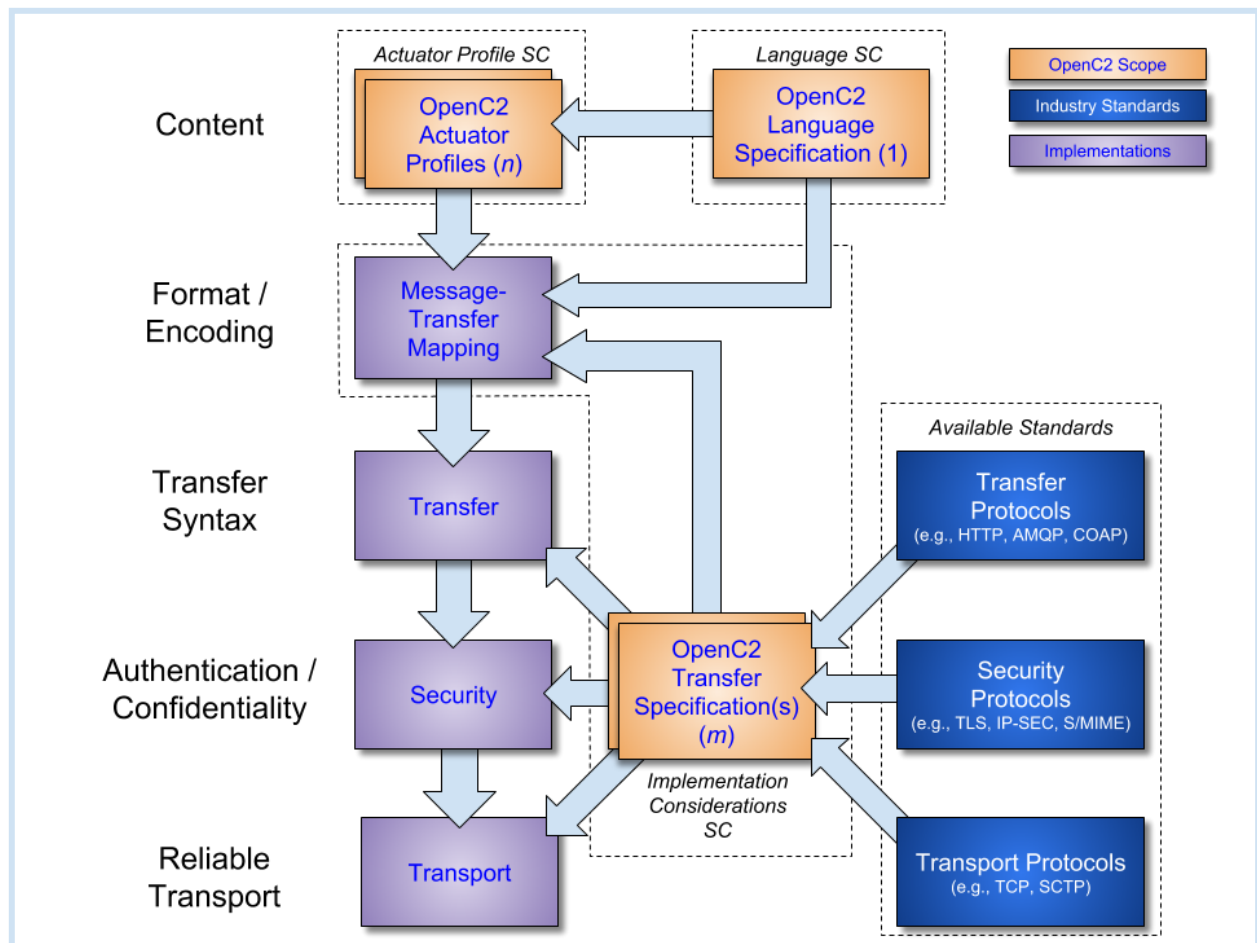
> **Update:** Some of this language is being proposed for the intro section of all OpenC2 documents. This section will be adjusted accordingly for consistency across the OpenC2 specification suite once an overall approach is decided.

OpenC2 is defined by a core set of specifications and implementation guides: the OpenC2 Language Specification, Actuator Profiles, and supporting specifications to enable message transport. OpenC2 implementations integrate these documents with related industry

specifications, protocols, and standards. Figure 1 depicts the primary OpenC2 documents within this suite, the relationships among OpenC2 specifications, and their relationships to other industry standards and environment-specific implementations of OpenC2.

- The OpenC2 Language Specification [OpenC2-Lang-v1.0] describes the essential elements of the language, the message structure for commands and responses, and the schema by which the language elements are represented in messages.
- OpenC2 Actuator profiles specify the subset of the OpenC2 language relevant to specific actuator functions (e.g., a firewall, a detonation chamber, an intrusion protection system) and define specifiers and options that are relevant and/or unique to those actuator functions.
- OpenC2 transfer specifications outline how industry protocols and standards are applied to implementing OpenC2 in specific environments, leveraging those standards to enable command and control via OpenC2. These standards are used for communications and security functions beyond the scope of the language, such as message transfer encoding, security, and end-to-end transport of OpenC2 messages.

Note that the layering of implementation aspects in the diagram is notional, and not intended to preclude, e.g., the use of an application-layer message signature to provide message source authentication and integrity.



**Figure 1 -- OpenC2 Documentation and Layering Model**

Any implementer of OpenC2 should consider their system operating environment and select (or develop) a transfer specification that addresses the needs of that environment.

This OpenC2 over HTTPS transfer specification is suitable for operational environments where:

- Connectivity between OpenC2 producers and OpenC2 consumers is:
  - Highly available, with infrequent network outages
  - Of sufficient bandwidth such that no appreciable message delays or dropped packets are experienced
- In-band negotiation of a connection initiated by either producer or consumer is possible without requiring an out-of-band signalling network.

An additional application for this transfer specification is interoperability test environments.

## 2 Operating models

*This section in its entirety is non-normative.*

This specification describes the of HTTPS to transfer OpenC2 messages between endpoints. This section describes the operating models associated with the available assignments of endpoint roles with regard to OpenC2 and HTTP.

### 2.1 Endpoint Definitions

> **Editor's Note:** This is the original description of endpoint roles created for this specification.

Each endpoint of an OpenC2-over-HTTPS interaction has both an OpenC2 role and an HTTP function. As defined in the [OpenC2 Glossary], one end will be an OpenC2 Producer and the other a Consumer. In the HTTP realm, one end will be an HTTP client and the other an HTTP server (i.e., listener). Depending on the nature of the communications environment, it can be feasible to map either of the OpenC2 Producer or Consumer roles to either of the HTTP functions. In some environments, other networking considerations may limit the alignment of the roles. For example, if the OpenC2 Consumer is located behind a router that performs network port and/or address translation, it may not be practicable for the Producer to contact an HTTP server listening on behalf of the Consumer. In contrast, a collection of virtual machines in a cloud environment could easily allow any VM to be either a listening HTTP server or a requesting HTTP client or both, offering much greater flexibility.

> **Editor's Note:** next two paragraphs are proposed replacement wording for endpoint roles.

One example of using HTTP as a substrate, [RFC6546], *Transport of Real-time Inter-network Defense (RID) Messages over HTTP/TLS*, addresses this situation by specifying an arrangement where each RID server is both an HTTP/TLS server and an HTTP/TLS client. Given the anticipated range of implementation environments for OpenC2, a more flexible approach appears justified, so this specification allows for three implementation configurations:

- The OpenC2 Consumer is the HTTP server
- The OpenC2 Producer is the HTTP server
- Both OpenC2 Producer and Consumer are HTTP servers

Where possible, the configuration where the OpenC2 Consumer is the HTTP server is preferred, as it aligns OpenC2 command / response messaging with HTTP's request / response structure.

In keeping with the conventions for HTTPS, in all cases the Producer or Consumer listens for connections on port 443, with the OpenC2 content indicated by an HTTP Request-URI ending in '/openc2'.

The following sections briefly summarize each of these operating models. Details of how the models are implemented are provided in Section 3 and example interactions are described in Annex B.

## 2.2 OpenC2 Consumer as the HTTP server

Figure 2 illustrates the configuration where the OpenC2 Consumer operates an HTTP server. In this configuration, a Producer that needs to send OpenC2 commands initiates a TCP connection to the Consumer on port 443. Once the TCP connection is created, a TLS session is initiated to authenticate the endpoints and provide connection confidentiality. The Producer can then issue OpenC2 commands by sending HTTP requests using the POST method, with Consumer OpenC2 responses returned in the HTTP response.

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Need to define the convention for a Producer to "check in" with the Consumer later when the response isn't immediately available.

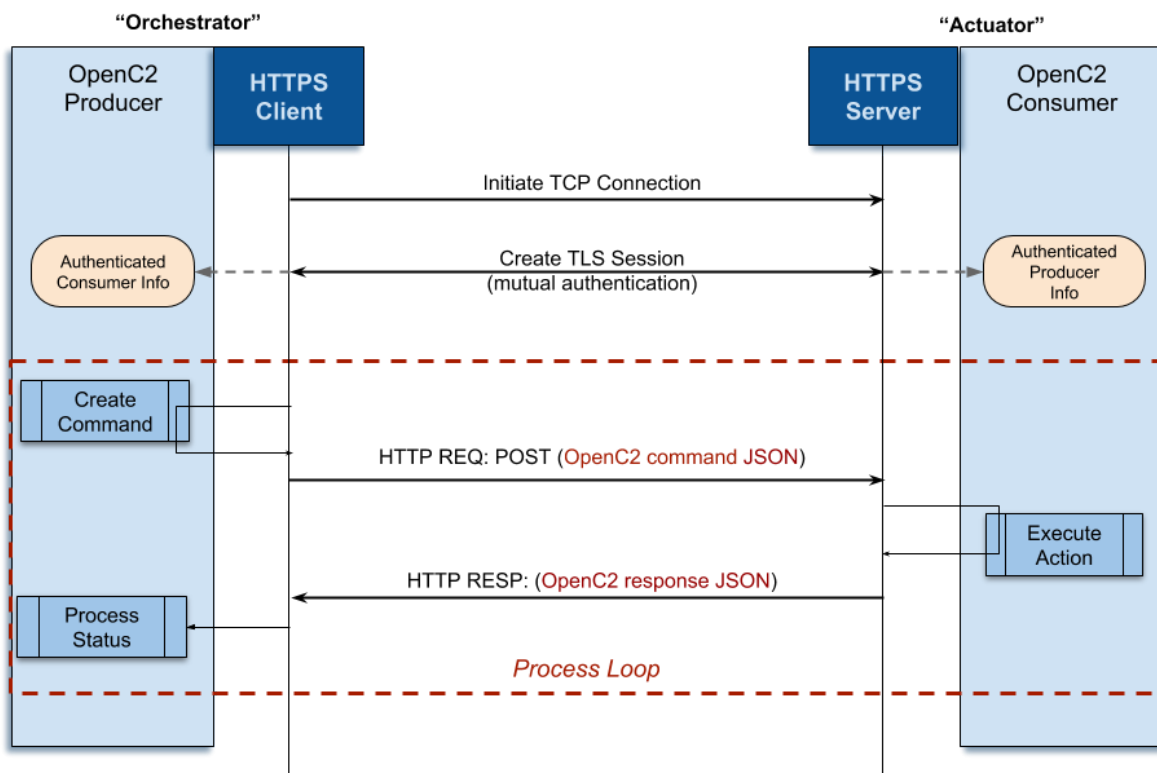


Figure 2 -- OpenC2 Consumer as HTTP Server

## 2.3 OpenC2 Producer as HTTP server

Figure 3 illustrates the configuration where the OpenC2 Producer operates an HTTP server. In this configuration, a Consumer that has been configured to request and accept OpenC2 commands from a particular Producer initiates a TCP connection to the Producer on port 443. Once the TCP connection is created, a TLS session is initiated to authenticate the endpoints and provide connection confidentiality. In this configuration, the exchange of OpenC2 commands and responses is driven by the Consumer using simple HTTP polling with the Producer.

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Is it worth a expanding the diagram or creating a version or variant. when the Producer has no command or query to send?

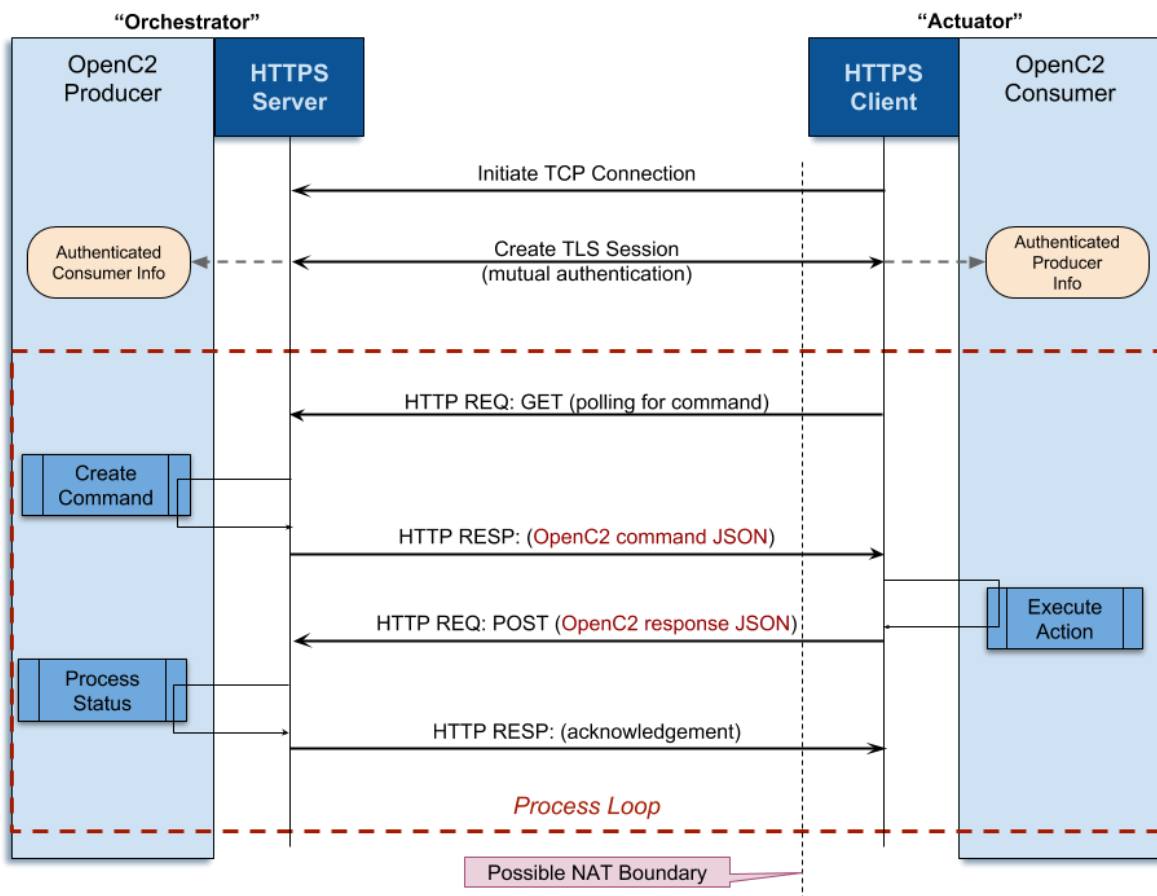


Figure 3 -- OpenC2 Producer as HTTP Server

## 2.4 Producer and Consumer as HTTP/TLS Servers

The configuration where both Producer and Consumer operate an HTTP server is operationally similar to the configuration where only the Consumer operates an HTTP server. In this



configuration, a Producer that needs to send OpenC2 commands initiates a TCP connection to the Consumer on port 443. Once the TCP connection is created, a TLS session is initiated to authenticate the endpoints and provide connection confidentiality. The Producer can then issue OpenC2 commands by sending HTTP requests using the POST method, with Consumer OpenC2 responses returned in the HTTP response.

When the Consumer needs to send the Producer an OpenC2 response with updated status, it initiates a TCP connection to the Producer on port 443. Once the TCP connection is created, a TLS session is initiated to authenticate the endpoints and provide connection confidentiality. The Consumer can then transmit OpenC2 response messages using the HTTP POST method.

## 3 Protocol mappings

The section defines the requirements for using HTTP and TLS with OpenC2, including general requirements and protocol mappings for the three operating configurations described in Section 2.

### 3.1 Layering Overview

When using HTTPS for OpenC2 message transfer, the layering model is:

Layer	Description
OpenC2 Content	The OpenC2 Language Specification defines the overall OpenC2 language and message formats, and the Actuator Profile(s) implemented by any particular endpoint scopes the OpenC2 actions, targets, arguments, and specifiers that apply when commanding that type of Actuator.
Serialization	Serialization converts internal representations of OpenC2 content into a form that can be transmitted and received. The OpenC2 default serialization is JSON.
Message	The message layer provides a content- and transport-independent mechanism for conveying requests, responses and notifications. A message consists of content plus a set of meta items such as content type and version, sender, timestamp, and correlation id. This layer maps the transport-independent definition of each message element to its transport-specific on-the-wire representation. Note that notification messages are defined here for completeness even though OpenC2 does not currently define any notification content.
HTTP	The HTTP layer is responsible for conveying request, response, and notification messages, as described in this specification.
TLS	The TLS layer is responsible for authentication of connection endpoints and confidentiality and integrity of transferred messages.
Lower Layer Transport	The lower protocol layers are responsible for end-to-end delivery of messages. TCP/IP is the most common suite of lower layer protocols used with HTTPS.

## 3.2 General Requirements

This section defines serialization, HTTP, and TLS requirements that apply regardless of operating model.

### 3.2.1 Serialization

While the OpenC2 language is agnostic of serialization, when transferring OpenC2 messages over HTTP/TLS as described in this specification, the default JSON verbose serialization described in [OpenC2-Lang-v1.0] is used.

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** We can define content types for other serializations if there's demand.

### 3.2.2 HTTP Usage

OpenC2 Consumers **MUST** be HTTP listeners, to implement the operating model described in Section 2.2. OpenC2 Producers **SHOULD** be HTTP listeners, to support the operating models described in Sections 2.3 and 2.4.

OpenC2 endpoints **MUST** implement all HTTP functionality required by this specification in accordance with HTTP/1.1 ([RFC7230], *et. al.*). As described in the following table, the only HTTP request methods utilized are GET and POST.

HTTP Method	Utilized?
GET	Yes
HEAD	No
POST	Yes
PUT	No
DELETE	No
CONNECT	No
OPTIONS	No
TRACE	No

All OpenC2 messages sent in HTTP Requests MUST be sent using a Request-URI ending in '/openc2'.

In this specification, the default JSON serialization is used, so the content type is 'application/openc2+json;version=1.0'; i.e., the 'Content-type' Request and Response headers MUST be 'application/openc2+json;version=1.0'.

### 3.2.3 TLS Usage

HTTPS, the transmission of HTTP over TLS, is specified in Section 2 of [RFC2818]. OpenC2 endpoints MUST use TLS version 1.2 [RFC5246] or higher for confidentiality, identification, and authentication when sending OpenC2 messages over HTTPS, and SHOULD use TLS Version 1.3.

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** TLS 1.3 has been approved by the IETF but currently the only available reference is draft-ietf-tls-tls13-28. When the RFC is published the normative references need to be updated.

The TLS session MUST use non-NULL ciphersuites for authentication, integrity, and confidentiality. Sessions MAY be renegotiated within these constraints.

The implementation and use of TLS SHOULD align with the best currently available security guidance, such as that provided in [RFC7525]/BCP 195.

OpenC2 endpoints MUST NOT support any version of TLS prior to v1.2 and MUST NOT support any version of Secure Sockets Layer (SSL). OpenC2 endpoints supporting TLS 1.3 MUST NOT implement zero round trip time resumption (0-RTT).

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** It has been suggested that OpenC2 adopt language about TLS usage from the TAXII 2.0 specification ([http://docs.oasis-open.org/cti/taxii/v2.0/cs01/taxii-v2.0-cs01.html#\\_Toc496542747](http://docs.oasis-open.org/cti/taxii/v2.0/cs01/taxii-v2.0-cs01.html#_Toc496542747)).

#### 3.2.3.1 TLS Authentication

When deployed in an operational environment, OpenC2 endpoints MUST support basic authentication and SHOULD support mutual authentication. Mutual authentication requires full path validation on each certificate, as defined in [RFC5280].

#### 3.2.3.2 TLS Confidentiality

TBD

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Probably need something about minimum cipher suite. The KMIP Profiles document (section 3) has a short (2 item) list of SHALL

implement cipher suites, and a much longer list of MAY implement cipher suites. Seems more effective to spec a minimum strength cipher suite for OC2, and say that or anything stronger is acceptable, and let normal TLS negotiation handle it from there.

### 3.3 OpenC2 Consumer as HTTP/TLS Server

This section defines HTTP requirements that apply when the OpenC2 consumer is the HTTP server.

When the OpenC2 Consumer is the HTTP server, the Producer is able to initiate a connection to a specific Consumer and directly transmit OpenC2 messages containing commands; the HTTP POST method is used, with the OpenC2 body contained in the POST body.

The following HTTP request headers MUST be populated when transferring OpenC2 messages:

- Host: host name of HTTP server:listening port number
- Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
- Date: date-time in HTTP-date format as defined by RFC 7231
- X-Correlation-ID: contains the OpenC2 command-id

The following HTTP response headers MUST be populated when transferring OpenC2 responses:

- Date: date-time in HTTP-date format as defined by RFC 7231
- Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
- X-Correlation-ID: contains the OpenC2 command-id

Example messages can be found in Annex B, section B.1.

### 3.4 OpenC2 Producer as HTTP/TLS Server

This section defines HTTP requirements that apply when the OpenC2 Producer is the HTTP server.

When the OpenC2 Producer is the HTTP server, the Consumer must poll for commands. The Consumer checks for commands by polling the Producer with the HTTP GET method. The polling interval is a matter of Consumer configuratio. Since OpenC2 responses may not always be available immediately, the Producer may be in any of four states with respect to a particular Consumer when that Consumer polls:

- Producer has both commands and no status queries
- Producer has commands but no status queries

- Producer has status queries but no commands
- Producer has neither commands nor status queries

The intent is that the Producer is able to transmit all commands and status queries to the Consumer in a sequence of exchanges. To accomplish this, the Consumer MUST poll the Producer repeatedly, without delay, until it receives an HTTP response with code 204, No Content. The Producer will respond to each GET request with an HTTP response with code 200, OK, and a single command or status query in the response body, until the Producer's set of commands and queries is exhausted. The order in which the Producer sends multiple commands and/or status queries is undefined.

> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Need to get agreement on this convention for processing commands and queries, and indicating completion. If we agree on using status code 204, No Content, that code will need to be added to the Language Spec.

The following HTTP request headers MUST be populated when transferring OpenC2 commands:

- Host: host name of HTTP server:listening port number
- Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
- Date: date-time in HTTP-date format as defined by RFC 7231
- X-Correlation-ID: contains the OpenC2 command-id

The following HTTP response headers MUST be populated when transferring OpenC2 responses:

- Date: date-time in HTTP-date format as defined by RFC 7231
- Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
- X-Correlation-ID: contains the OpenC2 command-id

Example messages can be found in Annex B, section B.2.

### 3.5 OpenC2 Producer and OpenC2 Consumer as HTTP/TLS Servers

When both the Producer and the Consumer act as HTTP servers, the Producer contacts the Consumer to send commands and status queries as described in Section 3.4. If the Consumer needs to send an OpenC2 response to the Producer asynchronously, it uses the process described in Section 3.3, initiating the connection and using the HTTP POST method to send the OpenC2 response message.

Example messages for Producers sending OpenC2 commands can be found in Annex B, section B.1. Example messages for Consumers asynchronously posting response messages can be found in Annex B, section B.2.

## 4 Conformance

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> See "Guidelines to Writing Conformance Clauses":  
<http://docs.oasis-open.org/templates/TCHandbook/ConformanceGuidelines.html>.

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> Remove this note before submitting for publication.



## 5 # Annex A. Acronyms

Term	Expansion
0-RTT	Zero Round Trip Time
API	Application Programming Interface
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
HTTPS	HTTP over TLS
IETF	Internet Engineering Task Force
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
RFC	Request For Comment
RID	Real-time Inter-network Defense
TC	Technical Committee
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TLS	Transport Layer Security

## 6 # Annex B. Examples

OpenC2 commands and responses need to be transmitted with certain relevant head information (i.e., metadata), as described in Section 3.2 of [OpenC2-Lang-v1.0]. When sending OpenC2 commands and responses over HTTP/TLS, the OpenC2 message head metadata items of `created`, `sender`, `version`, `content-type` and `command-id` are handled by the following HTTP header fields:

OpenC2 Language Element	HTTP Header
<code>created</code>	Date
<code>sender</code>	From
<code>content-type + version</code>	content-type
<code>command id</code>	X- Correlation-ID

A Request-URI ending in `/openc2` is used in all HTTP requests.

### ## B.1 HTTP Request / Response Examples: Consumer as HTTP Server

This section presents the HTTP message structures used when the OpenC2 Consumer acts as the HTTP listener.

#### ### B.1.1 Producer HTTP POST with OpenC2 Command

Example message:

```
...
POST /openc2 HTTP/1.1
Host: oc2consumer.company.net
From: oc2producer@company.net
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
X-Correlation-ID: shq5x2dmgayf
```

```
{  "command": {
    "action": ...
    "target": ...
  }
```

```

        "actuator": ...
        "args": ...
    }
}
```

```

### ### B.1.2 Consumer HTTP Response with OpenC2 Response

Example message:

```

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
X-Correlation-ID: shq5x2dmgayf

{
  "response": {
    "Id_ref": ...
    "status": 200
    "status_text": ...
    "results": { ...
  }
}
```

```

## ## B.2 HTTP Request / Response Examples: Producer as HTTP Server

This section presents the HTTP message structures used when the OpenC2 Producer acts as the HTTP listener.

### ### B.2.1 Consumer Polls Producer with HTTP GET

Consumers use the HTTP GET method to poll a Producer for available commands and status queries. No message body is required.

```

```
GET /openc2 HTTP/1.1
Host: oc2producer.company.net
From: oc2consumer@company.net
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
X-Correlation-ID: bf5t2ttrsc8r
```

```

### ### B.2.2 Producer HTTP Response with OpenC2 Command

If the Producer has commands for the Consumer, the Producer returns HTTP 200, Success and places an OpenC2 message with a command body in the body of the HTTP response. This signals the Consumer to process the command, send an HTTP POST with its OpenC2 response message, and then poll again for additional messages from the Producer.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
X-Correlation-ID: bf5t2ttrsc8r

{
  "command": {
    "action": ...
    "target": ...
    "actuator": ...
    "args": ...
  }
}
```

### ### B.2.3 Producer HTTP Response with OpenC2 Status Query

If the Producer has status queries for the Consumer, the Producer returns HTTP 200, Success and places an OpenC2 message with a command to query status in the body of the HTTP response. The `id` in the OpenC2 message header identifies the command for which updated status is requested. This signals the Consumer to process the status query, send an HTTP POST with its OpenC2 response message, and then poll again for additional messages from the Producer.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
X-Correlation-ID: bf5t2ttrsc8r

{
  "command": {
    "action": "query"
    "target": "command"
  }
}
```

```
```
```

### ### B.2.4 Producer HTTP Response with No Content

If the Producer has no commands or status queries for the Consumer, the Producer returns HTTP 204, No Content. This signals the Consumer to return to its default polling interval.

```
```
```

```
HTTP/1.1 204 OK
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
X-Correlation-ID: bf5t2ttrsc8r
```

```
```
```

### ### B.2.5 Consumer HTTP POST with OpenC2 Response

Consumers use the HTTP POST method to send OpenC2 response messages to the Producer.

```
```
```

```
POST /openc2 HTTP/1.1
Host: oc2producer.company.net
From: oc2consumer@company.net
Content-type: application/openc2+json;version=1.0
Date: Day, DD Mon YYYY HH:MM:SS GMT
X-Correlation-ID: bf5t2ttrsc8r
```

```
{  "response": {
    "Id_ref": ...
    "status": 200
    "status_text": ...
    "results": { ...
  }
```

```
}
```

```
```
```

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