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## Updates to the TLS Transport Model for SNMP

### Abstract

This document updates RFC 6353 ("Transport Layer Security (TLS) Transport Model for the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)") to reflect changes necessary to support Transport Layer Security version 1.3 (TLS 1.3) and Datagram Transport Layer Security version 1.3 (DTLS 1.3), which are jointly known as "(D)TLS 1.3". This document is compatible with (D)TLS 1.2 and is intended to be compatible with future versions of SNMP and (D)TLS.

This document updates the SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB as defined in RFC 6353.

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## 1. Introduction

This document updates and clarifies how the rules of [RFC6353] apply when using Transport Layer Security (TLS) or Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS) versions later than 1.2. This document jointly refers to these two protocols as "(D)TLS". The update also emphasizes the requirement in [RFC8996] prohibiting the use of TLS versions prior to TLS 1.2 [RFC5246] when using SNMP. Although the text of this document specifically references SNMPv3 and (D)TLS 1.3, this document may be applicable to future versions of these protocols and is backwards compatible with (D)TLS 1.2.

### 1.1. The Internet-Standard Management Framework

For a detailed overview of the documents that describe the current Internet-Standard Management Framework, please refer to Section 7 of [RFC3410].

Managed objects are accessed via a virtual information store, termed the Management Information Base or MIB. MIB objects are generally accessed through the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). Objects in the MIB are defined using the mechanisms defined in the Structure of Management Information (SMI). This memo specifies a MIB module that is compliant to the SMIV2, which is described in RFCs 2578, 2579, and 2580 [STD58].

### 1.2. Conventions

Within this document, the terms "TLS", "DTLS", and "(D)TLS" apply to all versions of the indicated protocols. The term "SNMP" means "SNMPv3" unless a specific version number is indicated. Specific version numbers are used when the text needs to emphasize version numbers.

For consistency with SNMP-related specifications, this document favors terminology as defined in [STD62], rather than favoring terminology that is consistent with non-SNMP specifications. This is consistent with the IESG decision to not require that the SNMP terminology be modified to match the usage of other non-SNMP specifications when SNMP was advanced to an Internet Standard. "Authentication" in this document typically refers to the English

meaning of "serving to prove the authenticity of" the message, not data source authentication or peer identity authentication. The terms "manager" and "agent" are not used in this document because, in the architecture defined in RFC 3411 [STD62], all SNMP entities have the capability of acting as manager, agent, or both, depending on the SNMP application types supported in the implementation. Where distinction is necessary, the application names of command generator, command responder, notification originator, notification receiver, and proxy forwarder are used. See "An Architecture for Describing Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) Management Frameworks" (RFC 3411 [STD62]) for further information.

Throughout this document, the terms "client" and "server" are used to refer to the two ends of the TLS transport connection. The client actively opens the TLS connection, and the server passively listens for the incoming TLS connection. An SNMP entity MAY act as a TLS client, TLS server, or both, depending on the SNMP applications supported.

Throughout this document, the term "session" is used to refer to a secure association between two instances of the TLS Transport Model (TLSTM) that permits the transmission of one or more SNMP messages within the lifetime of the session. The TLS protocol also has an internal notion of a session, and although these two concepts of a session are related, when the term "session" is used, this document is referring to the TLSTM's specific session and not directly to the TLS protocol's session.

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

## 2. Changes from RFC 6353

This document updates [RFC6353]. The changes from [RFC6353] are defined in the following subsections.

### 2.1. TLSTM Fingerprint

[RFC6353] defines the `SnmptlsFingerprint` textual convention to include the one-octet TLS 1.2 hash algorithm identifier. This one-octet algorithm identifier is only applicable to (D)TLS protocol versions prior to 1.3. The TLS community does not plan to ever add additional values to the "TLS HashAlgorithm" registry [RFC5246], because some might incorrectly infer that using a new hash algorithm with TLS 1.2 would overcome the limitations of TLS 1.2. However, there is still a need within TLSTM to support new values as they are developed.

This document updates the definition of `SnmptlsFingerprint` to clarify that the one-octet algorithm identifier uses the values in the IANA "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry; this registry is consistent with the IANA "TLS HashAlgorithm" registry for its initial values but can be extended as needed to support new hashing algorithms without

implying that the new values can be used by TLS version 1.2. This change allows the reuse of the existing fingerprint textual convention and minimizes the impact to [RFC6353].

A "Y" in the "Recommended" column (Table 1) indicates that the registered value has been recommended through a formal Standards Action [RFC8126]. Not all parameters defined in Standards Track documents are necessarily marked as "Recommended".

An "N" in the "Recommended" column does not necessarily mean that the value is flawed; rather, it indicates that the item either has not been through the IETF consensus process, has limited applicability, or is intended only for specific use cases.

The initial values for the "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry are defined below:

Value	Description	Recommended	References
0	none	N	[RFC5246]
1	md5	N	[RFC5246]
2	sha1	N	[RFC5246]
3	sha224	Y	[RFC5246]
4	sha256	Y	[RFC5246]
5	sha384	Y	[RFC5246]
6	sha512	Y	[RFC5246]
7	Reserved		[RFC8447]
8	Intrinsic	N	[RFC8422]
9-223	Unassigned		
224-255	Reserved for Private Use		[RFC5246]

Table 1: SNMP-TLSTM Hash Algorithms

Values 0 through 2 MUST NOT be used by implementations of this document but are listed for historical consistency.

## 2.2. Security Level

The architecture defined in RFC 3411 [STD62] recognizes three levels of security:

- \* without authentication and without privacy (noAuthNoPriv)
- \* with authentication but without privacy (authNoPriv)

\* with authentication and with privacy (authPriv)

Cipher suites for (D)TLS 1.3 defined in [RFC8446] provide both authentication and privacy. Cipher suites defined in [RFC9150] for (D)TLS 1.3 provide only authentication, without any privacy protection. Implementations MAY choose to force (D)TLS 1.3 to only allow cipher suites that provide both authentication and privacy.

### 2.3. (D)TLS Version

[RFC6353] states that TLSTM clients and servers MUST NOT request, offer, or use SSL 2.0. [RFC8996] prohibits the use of (D)TLS versions prior to version 1.2. TLSTM MUST only be used with (D)TLS versions 1.2 and later.

## 3. Additional Rules for TLS 1.3

This document specifies additional rules and clarifications for the use of TLS 1.3. These rules may additionally apply to future versions of TLS.

### 3.1. Zero Round-Trip Time Resumption (0-RTT)

TLS 1.3 implementations for SNMP MUST NOT enable the 0-RTT mode of session resumption (either sending or accepting) and MUST NOT automatically resend 0-RTT data if it is rejected by the server. 0-RTT is disallowed because there are no "safe" SNMP messages that, if replayed, will be guaranteed to cause no harm at the server side: all incoming notifications or command responses are meant to be acted upon only once. See Section 5 ("Security Considerations") for further details.

TLSTM clients and servers MUST NOT request, offer, or use the 0-RTT mode of TLS 1.3. [RFC8446] removed the renegotiation supported in TLS 1.2 [RFC5246]; for session resumption, it introduced a zero-RTT (0-RTT) mode, saving a round trip at connection setup at the cost of increased risk of replay attacks (it is possible for servers to guard against this attack by keeping track of all the messages received). [RFC8446] requires that a profile be written for any application that wants to use 0-RTT, specifying which messages are "safe to use" with this mode. Within SNMP, there are no messages that are "safe to use" with this mode.

Renegotiation of sessions is not supported, as it is not supported by TLS 1.3. If a future version of TLS supports renegotiation, this RFC should be updated to indicate whether there are any additional requirements related to its use.

### 3.2. TLS Cipher Suites, Extensions, and Protocol Invariants

Section 9 of [RFC8446] requires that, in the absence of application profiles, certain cipher suites, TLS extensions, and TLS protocol invariants be mandatory to implement. This document does not specify an application profile; hence, all the compliance requirements in [RFC8446] apply.

#### 4. MIB Module Definitions

This SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB module imports items from RFCs 2578, 2579, and 2580 [STD58], as well as RFCs 3411 and 3413 [STD62]. It also references [RFC1123], [RFC5246], [RFC5280], [RFC5591], [RFC5890], [RFC5952], [RFC5953], [RFC6353], and RFC 2579 [STD58].

```
<CODE BEGINS> file "SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB"
SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN
```

##### IMPORTS

```
MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE,
OBJECT-IDENTITY, mib-2, snmpDomains,
Counter32, Unsigned32, Gauge32, NOTIFICATION-TYPE
    FROM SNMPv2-SMI                -- RFC 2578 or any update thereof
TEXTUAL-CONVENTION, TimeStamp, RowStatus, StorageType,
AutonomousType
    FROM SNMPv2-TC                -- RFC 2579 or any update thereof
MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP, NOTIFICATION-GROUP
    FROM SNMPv2-CONF              -- RFC 2580 or any update thereof
SnmpAdminString
    FROM SNMP-FRAMEWORK-MIB        -- RFC 3411 or any update thereof
snmpTargetParamsName, snmpTargetAddrName
    FROM SNMP-TARGET-MIB          -- RFC 3413 or any update thereof
;
```

```
snmpTlstmMIB MODULE-IDENTITY
    LAST-UPDATED "202311080000Z"
```

```
    ORGANIZATION "Operations and Management Area Working Group
        <mailto:opsawg@ietf.org>"
```

```
    CONTACT-INFO
        "Author: Kenneth Vaughn
        <mailto:kvaughn@trevilon.com>"
```

```
    DESCRIPTION
        "This is the MIB module for the TLS Transport Model
        (TLSTM)."
```

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REVISION "202311080000Z"

DESCRIPTION

"This version of this MIB module is part of RFC 9456; see the RFC itself for full legal notices. This version does the following:

- 1) Updates the definition of SnmpTLSTFingerprint to clarify the registry used for the one-octet hash algorithm identifier.
- 2) Capitalizes key words in conformance with BCP 14.
- 3) Replaces 'may not' with 'MUST NOT' to clarify intent in several locations.
- 4) Replaces 'may not' with a clarification within the definition of SnmpTLSAddress.
- 5) Applies cosmetic grammar improvements and reformatting causing whitespace changes."

REVISION "201107190000Z"

DESCRIPTION

"This version of this MIB module is part of RFC 6353; see the RFC itself for full legal notices. The only change was to introduce new wording to reflect required changes for Internationalized Domain Names for Applications (IDNA) addresses in the SnmpTLSAddress textual convention (TC)."

REVISION "201005070000Z"

DESCRIPTION

"This version of this MIB module is part of RFC 5953; see the RFC itself for full legal notices."

::= { mib-2 198 }

-- \*\*\*\*\*  
-- subtrees of the SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB  
-- \*\*\*\*\*

snmpTlstmNotifications OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmMIB 0 }  
snmpTlstmIdentities OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmMIB 1 }  
snmpTlstmObjects OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmMIB 2 }  
snmpTlstmConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmMIB 3 }  
snmpTlstmHashAlgorithms OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A node used to register hashing algorithm identifiers recorded in the IANA 'SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms' registry."  
::= { snmpTlstmMIB 4 }

-- \*\*\*\*\*  
-- snmpTlstmObjects - Objects

-- \*\*\*\*\*

**snmpTLSTCPDomain OBJECT-IDENTITY**

**STATUS** current

**DESCRIPTION**

"The OBJECT IDENTIFIER representing the TDomain for the SNMP over TLS via TCP transport domain. The corresponding transport address is of type SnmpTLSAddress.

The securityName prefix to be associated with the snmpTLSTCPDomain is 'tls'. This prefix MAY be used by security models or other components to identify which secure transport infrastructure authenticated a securityName."

**REFERENCE**

"TDomain, as defined in RFC 2579: Textual Conventions for SMIV2"

::= { snmpDomains 8 }

**snmpDTLSUDPDDomain OBJECT-IDENTITY**

**STATUS** current

**DESCRIPTION**

"The OBJECT IDENTIFIER representing the TDomain for the SNMP over DTLS via UDP transport domain. The corresponding transport address is of type SnmpTLSAddress.

The securityName prefix to be associated with the snmpDTLSUDPDDomain is 'dtls'. This prefix MAY be used by security models or other components to identify which secure transport infrastructure authenticated a securityName."

**REFERENCE**

"TDomain, as defined in RFC 2579: Textual Conventions for SMIV2"

::= { snmpDomains 9 }

**SnmpTLSAddress ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION**

**DISPLAY-HINT** "1a"

**STATUS** current

**DESCRIPTION**

"Represents an IPv4 address, an IPv6 address, or an ASCII-encoded host name and port number.

An IPv4 address MUST be in dotted decimal format followed by a colon ':' (ASCII character 0x3A) and a decimal port number in ASCII.

An IPv6 address MUST be a colon-separated format (as described in RFC 5952), surrounded by square brackets ('[', ASCII character 0x5B, and ']', ASCII character 0x5D), followed by a colon ':' (ASCII character 0x3A) and a decimal port number in ASCII.

A host name MUST be in ASCII (as per RFC 1123); internationalized host names MUST be encoded as A-labels as specified in RFC 5890. The host name is followed by a colon ':' (ASCII character 0x3A) and a decimal port number in ASCII. The name SHOULD be fully qualified



whenever possible.

Values of this textual convention are not guaranteed to be directly usable as transport-layer addressing information, potentially requiring additional processing, such as run-time resolution. As such, applications that write them **MUST** be prepared for handling errors if such values are not supported or cannot be resolved (if resolution occurs at the time of the management operation).

The **DESCRIPTION** clause of **TransportAddress** objects that may have **SnmpTLSAddress** values **MUST** fully describe how (and when) such names are to be resolved to IP addresses and vice versa.

This textual convention **SHOULD NOT** be used directly in object definitions, since it restricts addresses to a specific format. However, if it is used, it **MAY** be used either on its own or in conjunction with **TransportAddressType** or **TransportDomain** as a pair.

When this textual convention is used as a syntax of an index object, there may be issues with the limit of 128 sub-identifiers specified in SMIV2 (STD 58). It is **RECOMMENDED** that all MIB documents using this textual convention make explicit any limitations on index component lengths that management software **MUST** observe. This **MAY** be done by either 1) including **SIZE** constraints on the index components or 2) specifying applicable constraints in the conceptual row's **DESCRIPTION** clause or in the surrounding documentation."

#### REFERENCE

- "RFC 1123: Requirements for Internet Hosts - Application and Support
- RFC 5890: Internationalized Domain Names for Applications (IDNA): Definitions and Document Framework
- RFC 5952: A Recommendation for IPv6 Address Text Representation"

**SYNTAX**           OCTET STRING (SIZE (1..255))

**SnmpTLSFingerprint ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION**

**DISPLAY-HINT** "1x:1x"

**STATUS**           current

#### **DESCRIPTION**

"A fingerprint value that can be used to uniquely reference other data of potentially arbitrary length.

An **SnmpTLSFingerprint** value is composed of a one-octet hashing algorithm identifier followed by the fingerprint value. The one-octet identifier value encoded is taken from the IANA 'SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms' registry. The remaining octets of the **SnmpTLSFingerprint** value are filled using the results of the hashing algorithm.

Historically, the one-octet hashing algorithm identifier was based on the IANA 'TLS HashAlgorithm' registry

(RFC 5246); however, this registry is no longer in use for TLS 1.3 and above and is not expected to have any new registrations added to it. To allow the fingerprint algorithm to support additional hashing algorithms that might be used by later versions of (D)TLS, the octet value encoded is now taken from the IANA 'SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms' registry. The initial values within this registry are identical to the values in the 'TLS HashAlgorithm' registry but can be extended to support new hashing algorithms as needed.

This textual convention allows for a zero-length (blank) SnmpTLSTMFingerprint value for use in tables where the fingerprint value MAY be optional. MIB definitions or implementations MAY refuse to accept a zero-length value as appropriate."

#### REFERENCE

"RFC 5246: The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol  
Version 1.2

<https://www.iana.org/assignments/smi-numbers/>"

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (0..255))

-- Identities for use in the snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable

snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIidentities OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmIdentities 1 }

snmpTlstmCertSpecified OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Directly specifies the tmSecurityName to be used for this certificate. The value of the tmSecurityName to use is specified in the 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNData' column. The 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNData' column MUST contain a non-zero-length SnmpAdminString-compliant value, or the mapping described in this row MUST be considered a failure."

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIidentities 1 }

snmpTlstmCertSANRFC822Name OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Maps a subjectAltName's rfc822Name to a tmSecurityName. The local-part of the rfc822Name is passed unaltered, but the domain of the name MUST be passed in lowercase. This mapping results in a 1:1 correspondence between equivalent subjectAltName rfc822Name values and tmSecurityName values, except that the domain of the name MUST be passed in lowercase.

Example rfc822Name field: FooBar@Example.COM is mapped to tmSecurityName: FooBar@example.com."

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIidentities 2 }

snmpTlstmCertSANDNSName OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Maps a subjectAltName's dNSName to a tmSecurityName after first converting it to all lowercase (RFC 5280 does not specify converting to lowercase, so this involves an extra step). This mapping results in a 1:1 correspondence between subjectAltName dNSName values and the tmSecurityName values."

#### REFERENCE

"RFC 5280: Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile"

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIIdentities 3 }

#### snmpTlstmCertSANIpAddress OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Maps a subjectAltName's iPAddress to a tmSecurityName by transforming the binary-encoded address as follows:

- 1) For IPv4, the value is converted into a decimal-dotted quad address (e.g., '192.0.2.1').
- 2) For IPv6 addresses, the value is converted into a 32-character all-lowercase hexadecimal string without any colon separators.

This mapping results in a 1:1 correspondence between subjectAltName iPAddress values and the tmSecurityName values.

The resulting length of an encoded IPv6 address is the maximum length supported by the View-based Access Control Model (VACM). Using an IPv6 address while the value of snmpTsmConfigurationUsePrefix is 'true' (see the SNMP-TSM-MIB, as defined in RFC 5591) will result in securityName lengths that exceed what the VACM can handle."

#### REFERENCE

"RFC 5591: Transport Security Model for the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)"

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIIdentities 4 }

#### snmpTlstmCertSANAny OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Maps any of the following fields using the corresponding mapping algorithms:

Type	Algorithm
rfc822Name	snmpTlstmCertSANRFC822Name
dNSName	snmpTlstmCertSANDNSName
iPAddress	snmpTlstmCertSANIpAddress

The first subjectAltName value contained in the certificate

that matches any of the above types MUST be used when deriving the tmSecurityName. The mapping algorithm specified in the 'Algorithm' column of the corresponding row MUST be used to derive the tmSecurityName.

This mapping results in a 1:1 correspondence between subjectAltName values and tmSecurityName values. The three sub-mapping algorithms produced by this combined algorithm cannot produce conflicting results between themselves."

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIIdentities 5 }

snmpTlstmCertCommonName OBJECT-IDENTITY

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Maps a certificate's CommonName to a tmSecurityName after converting it to a UTF-8 encoding. The usage of CommonNames is deprecated, and users are encouraged to use subjectAltName mapping methods instead. This mapping results in a 1:1 correspondence between certificate CommonName values and tmSecurityName values."

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIIdentities 6 }

-- The snmpTlstmSession Group

snmpTlstmSession OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmObjects 1 }

snmpTlstmSessionOpens OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an openSession() request has been executed as a (D)TLS client, regardless of whether it succeeded or failed."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 1 }

snmpTlstmSessionClientCloses OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times a closeSession() request has been executed as a (D)TLS client, regardless of whether it succeeded or failed."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 2 }

snmpTlstmSessionOpenErrors OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an openSession() request failed to open a session as a (D)TLS client, for any reason."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 3 }

snmpTlstmSessionAccepts OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times a (D)TLS server has accepted a new connection from a client and has received at least one SNMP message through it."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 4 }

snmpTlstmSessionServerCloses OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times a closeSession() request has been executed as a (D)TLS server, regardless of whether it succeeded or failed."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 5 }

snmpTlstmSessionNoSessions OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an outgoing message was dropped because the session associated with the passed tmStateReference was no longer (or never) available."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 6 }

snmpTlstmSessionInvalidClientCertificates OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an incoming session was not established on a (D)TLS server because the presented client certificate was invalid. Reasons for invalidation include, but are not limited to, cryptographic validation failures or lack of a suitable mapping row in the snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 7 }

snmpTlstmSessionUnknownServerCertificate OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an outgoing session was not established on a (D)TLS client because the server certificate presented by an SNMP over (D)TLS server was invalid because no configured fingerprint or Certification Authority (CA) was acceptable to validate it. This may result because there was no entry in the snmpTlstmAddrTable or because no path to a known CA could be found."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 8 }

snmpTlstmSessionInvalidServerCertificates OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of times an outgoing session was not established on a (D)TLS client because the server certificate presented by an SNMP over (D)TLS server could not be validated even if the fingerprint or expected validation path was known. That is, a cryptographic validation error occurred during certificate validation processing.

Reasons for invalidation include, but are not limited to, cryptographic validation failures."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 9 }

snmpTlstmSessionInvalidCaches OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of outgoing messages dropped because the tmStateReference referred to an invalid cache."

::= { snmpTlstmSession 10 }

-- Configuration Objects

snmpTlstmConfig OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmObjects 2 }

-- Certificate mapping

snmpTlstmCertificateMapping OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmConfig 1 }

snmpTlstmCertToTSNCount OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Gauge32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A count of the number of entries in the snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 1 }

snmpTlstmCertToTSNTableLastChanged OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX TimeStamp

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The value of sysUpTime.0 when the snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable was last modified through any means, or 0 if it has not been modified since the command responder was started."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 2 }

# snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF SnmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This table is used by a (D)TLS server to map the (D)TLS client's presented X.509 certificate to a tmSecurityName.

On an incoming (D)TLS/SNMP connection, the client's presented certificate either MUST be validated based on an established trust anchor or MUST directly match a fingerprint in this table. This table does not provide any mechanisms for configuring the trust anchors; the transfer of any needed trusted certificates for path validation is expected to occur through an out-of-band transfer.

Once the certificate has been found acceptable (either via path validation or by directly matching a fingerprint in this table), this table is consulted to determine the appropriate tmSecurityName to identify with the remote connection. This is done by considering each active row from this table in prioritized order according to its snmpTlstmCertToTSNID value. Each row's snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint value determines whether the row is a match for the incoming connection:

- 1) If the row's snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint value identifies the presented certificate, then consider the row as a successful match.
- 2) If the row's snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint value identifies a locally held copy of a trusted CA certificate and that CA certificate was used to validate the path to the presented certificate, then consider the row as a successful match.

Once a matching row has been found, the snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType value can be used to determine how the tmSecurityName to associate with the session should be determined. See the 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType' column's DESCRIPTION clause for details on determining the tmSecurityName value. If it is impossible to determine a tmSecurityName from the row's data combined with the data presented in the certificate, then additional rows MUST be searched to look for another potential match. If a resulting tmSecurityName mapped from a given row is not compatible with the needed requirements of a tmSecurityName (e.g., the VACM imposes a 32-octet-maximum length and the certificate-derived securityName could be longer), then it MUST be considered an invalid match and additional rows MUST be searched to look for another potential match.

If no matching and valid row can be found, the connection MUST be closed and SNMP messages MUST NOT be accepted over

it.

Missing values of `snmpTlstmCertToTSNID` are acceptable, and implementations SHOULD continue to the next-highest-numbered row. It is RECOMMENDED that administrators skip index values to leave room for the insertion of future rows (for example, use values of 10 and 20 when creating initial rows).

Users are encouraged to make use of certificates with `subjectAltName` fields that can be used as `tmSecurityNames`. This allows all child certificates of a single root CA certificate to include a `subjectAltName` that maps directly to a `tmSecurityName` via a 1:1 transformation. However, this table is flexible, to allow for situations where existing deployed certificate infrastructures do not provide adequate `subjectAltName` values for use as `tmSecurityNames`. Certificates MAY also be mapped to `tmSecurityNames` using the `CommonName` portion of the `Subject` field. However, the usage of the `CommonName` field is deprecated, and thus this usage is NOT RECOMMENDED. Direct mapping from each individual certificate fingerprint to a `tmSecurityName` is also possible but requires one entry in the table per `tmSecurityName` and requires more management operations to completely configure a device."

```
::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 3 }
```

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry` OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX `SnmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry`

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A row in the `snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable` that specifies a mapping for an incoming (D)TLS certificate to a `tmSecurityName` to use for a connection."

INDEX { `snmpTlstmCertToTSNID` }

```
::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNTable 1 }
```

`SnmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry` ::= SEQUENCE {

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNID` Unsigned32,

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint` `SnmpTLSFingerprint`,

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType` `AutonomousType`,

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNData` OCTET STRING,

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNStorageType` `StorageType`,

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNRowStatus` `RowStatus`

}

`snmpTlstmCertToTSNID` OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Unsigned32 (1..4294967295)

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A unique, prioritized index for the given entry. Lower numbers indicate a higher priority."

```
::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 1 }
```



```

snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SnmpTLSPFingerprint (SIZE (1..255))
    MAX-ACCESS  read-create
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A cryptographic hash of an X.509 certificate. The results
        of a successful matching fingerprint to either the trusted
        CA in the certificate validation path or the certificate
        itself is dictated by the 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType'
        column."
    ::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 2 }

snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      AutonomousType
    MAX-ACCESS  read-create
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Specifies the mapping type for deriving a tmSecurityName
        from a certificate. Details for mapping of a particular
        type SHALL be specified in the DESCRIPTION clause of the
        OBJECT-IDENTITY that describes the mapping. If a mapping
        succeeds, it will return a tmSecurityName for use by the
        TLSTM and processing will stop.

        If the resulting mapped value is not compatible with the
        needed requirements of a tmSecurityName (e.g., the VACM
        imposes a 32-octet-maximum length and the
        certificate-derived securityName could be longer), then
        future rows MUST be searched for additional
        snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint matches to look for a
        mapping that succeeds.

        Suitable values for assigning to this object that are
        defined within the SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB can be found in the
        snmpTlstmCertToTSNMIdentities portion of the MIB tree."
    DEFVAL { snmpTlstmCertSpecified }
    ::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 3 }

snmpTlstmCertToTSNData OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      OCTET STRING (SIZE (0..1024))
    MAX-ACCESS  read-create
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Auxiliary data used as optional configuration information
        for a given mapping specified by the
        'snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType' column. Only some mapping
        systems will make use of this column. The value in this
        column MUST be ignored for any mapping type that does not
        require that data be present in this column."
    DEFVAL { "" }
    ::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 4 }

snmpTlstmCertToTSNStorageType OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      StorageType
    MAX-ACCESS  read-create
    STATUS      current

```

#### DESCRIPTION

"The storage type for this conceptual row. Conceptual rows having the value 'permanent' need not allow write-access to any columnar objects in the row."

DEFVAL { nonVolatile }

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 5 }

#### snmpTlstmCertToTSNRowStatus OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX RowStatus

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"The status of this conceptual row. This object MAY be used to create or remove rows from this table.

To create a row in this table, an administrator MUST set this object to either createAndGo(4) or createAndWait(5).

Until instances of all corresponding columns are appropriately configured, the value of the corresponding instance of the 'snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus' column is notReady(3).

In particular, a newly created row cannot be made active until the corresponding 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint', 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType', and 'snmpTlstmCertToTSNData' columns have been set.

The following objects MUST NOT be modified while the value of this object is active(1):

- snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint
- snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType
- snmpTlstmCertToTSNData

An attempt to set these objects while the value of snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus is active(1) will result in an inconsistentValue error."

::= { snmpTlstmCertToTSNEntry 6 }

-- Maps tmSecurityNames to certificates for use by the  
-- SNMP-TARGET-MIB

#### snmpTlstmParamsCount OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Gauge32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"A count of the number of entries in the snmpTlstmParamsTable."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 4 }

#### snmpTlstmParamsTableLastChanged OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX TimeStamp

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The value of sysUpTime.0 when the snmpTlstmParamsTable was last modified through any means, or 0 if it has not been modified since the command responder was started."  
 ::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 5 }

## snmpTlstmParamsTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF SnmpTlstmParamsEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This table is used by a (D)TLS client when a (D)TLS connection is being set up using an entry in the SNMP-TARGET-MIB. It extends the SNMP-TARGET-MIB's snmpTargetParamsTable with a fingerprint of a certificate to use when establishing such a (D)TLS connection."  
 ::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 6 }

## snmpTlstmParamsEntry OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SnmpTlstmParamsEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"A conceptual row containing a fingerprint hash of a locally held certificate for a given snmpTargetParamsEntry. The values in this row SHOULD be ignored if the connection that needs to be established, as indicated by the SNMP-TARGET-MIB infrastructure, is not a certificate-based and (D)TLS-based connection. The connection SHOULD NOT be established if the certificate fingerprint stored in this entry does not point to a valid locally held certificate or if it points to an unusable certificate (such as might happen when the certificate's expiration date has been reached)."

INDEX { IMPLIED snmpTargetParamsName }

::= { snmpTlstmParamsTable 1 }

SnmpTlstmParamsEntry ::= SEQUENCE {  
 snmpTlstmParamsClientFingerprint SnmpTLSEFingerprint,  
 snmpTlstmParamsStorageType StorageType,  
 snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus RowStatus  
 }

## snmpTlstmParamsClientFingerprint OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SnmpTLSEFingerprint

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object stores the hash of the public portion of a locally held X.509 certificate. The X.509 certificate, its public key, and the corresponding private key will be used when initiating a (D)TLS connection as a (D)TLS client."  
 ::= { snmpTlstmParamsEntry 1 }

## snmpTlstmParamsStorageType OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           StorageType  
MAX-ACCESS      read-create  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

"The storage type for this conceptual row. Conceptual rows having the value 'permanent' need not allow write-access to any columnar objects in the row."

DEFVAL           { nonVolatile }  
::= { snmpTlstmParamsEntry 2 }

snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           RowStatus  
MAX-ACCESS      read-create  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

"The status of this conceptual row. This object MAY be used to create or remove rows from this table.

To create a row in this table, an administrator MUST set this object to either createAndGo(4) or createAndWait(5).

Until instances of all corresponding columns are appropriately configured, the value of the corresponding instance of the 'snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus' column is notReady(3).

In particular, a newly created row cannot be made active until the corresponding 'snmpTlstmParamsClientFingerprint' column has been set.

The snmpTlstmParamsClientFingerprint object MUST NOT be modified while the value of this object is active(1).

An attempt to set these objects while the value of snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus is active(1) will result in an inconsistentValue error."

::= { snmpTlstmParamsEntry 3 }

snmpTlstmAddrCount OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           Gauge32  
MAX-ACCESS      read-only  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

"A count of the number of entries in the snmpTlstmAddrTable."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 7 }

snmpTlstmAddrTableLastChanged OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           TimeStamp  
MAX-ACCESS      read-only  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

"The value of sysUpTime.0 when the snmpTlstmAddrTable was last modified through any means, or 0 if it has not been modified since the command responder was started."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 8 }

## snmpTlstmAddrTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF SnmpTlstmAddrEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

### DESCRIPTION

"This table is used by a (D)TLS client when a (D)TLS connection is being set up using an entry in the SNMP-TARGET-MIB. It extends the SNMP-TARGET-MIB's snmpTargetAddrTable so that the client can verify that the correct server has been reached. This verification can use either 1) a certificate fingerprint or 2) an identity authenticated via certification path validation.

If there is an active row in this table corresponding to the entry in the SNMP-TARGET-MIB that was used to establish the connection and the row's 'snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint' column has a non-empty value, then the server's presented certificate is compared with the snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint value (and the 'snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity' column is ignored). If the fingerprint matches, the verification has succeeded. If the fingerprint does not match, then the connection MUST be closed.

If the server's presented certificate has passed certification path validation (RFC 5280) to a configured trust anchor and an active row exists with a zero-length snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint value, then the 'snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity' column contains the expected host name. This expected host name is then compared against the server's certificate as follows:

- Implementations MUST support matching the expected host name against a dNSName in the subjectAltName extension field and MAY support checking the name against the CommonName portion of the subject distinguished name.
- The '\*' (ASCII 0x2A) wildcard character is allowed in the dNSName of the subjectAltName extension (and in CommonName, if used to store the host name), but only as the leftmost (least significant) DNS label in that value. This wildcard matches any leftmost DNS label in the server name. That is, the subject \*.example.com matches the server names a.example.com and b.example.com but does not match example.com or a.b.example.com. Implementations MUST support wildcards in certificates as specified above but MAY provide a configuration option to disable them.
- If the locally configured name is an internationalized domain name, conforming implementations MUST convert it to the ASCII Compatible Encoding (ACE) format for performing comparisons, as specified in Section 7 of RFC 5280.

If the expected host name fails these conditions, then the connection MUST be closed.

If there is no row in this table corresponding to the entry in the SNMP-TARGET-MIB and the server can be authorized by another, implementation-dependent means, then the connection MAY still proceed."

::= { snmpTlstmCertificateMapping 9 }

snmpTlstmAddrEntry OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SnmpTlstmAddrEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A conceptual row containing a copy of a certificate's fingerprint for a given snmpTargetAddrEntry. The values in this row SHOULD be ignored if the connection that needs to be established, as indicated by the SNMP-TARGET-MIB infrastructure, is not a (D)TLS-based connection. If an snmpTlstmAddrEntry exists for a given snmpTargetAddrEntry, then the presented server certificate MUST match or the connection MUST NOT be established. If a row in this table does not exist to match an snmpTargetAddrEntry row, then the connection SHOULD still proceed if some other certification path validation algorithm (e.g., RFC 5280) can be used."

INDEX { IMPLIED snmpTargetAddrName }

::= { snmpTlstmAddrTable 1 }

SnmpTlstmAddrEntry ::= SEQUENCE {

snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint SnmpTLSPFingerprint,

snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity SnmpAdminString,

snmpTlstmAddrStorageType StorageType,

snmpTlstmAddrRowStatus RowStatus

}

snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SnmpTLSPFingerprint

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A cryptographic hash of a public X.509 certificate. This object should store the hash of the public X.509 certificate that the remote server should present during the (D)TLS connection setup. The fingerprint of the presented certificate and this hash value MUST match exactly, or the connection MUST NOT be established."

DEFVAL { "" }

::= { snmpTlstmAddrEntry 1 }

snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SnmpAdminString

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

```
    "The reference identity to check against the identity
      presented by the remote system."
DEFVAL { "" }
::= { snmpTlstmAddrEntry 2 }
```

snmpTlstmAddrStorageType OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      StorageType
MAX-ACCESS  read-create
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
```

"The storage type for this conceptual row. Conceptual rows having the value 'permanent' need not allow write-access to any columnar objects in the row."

```
DEFVAL      { nonVolatile }
::= { snmpTlstmAddrEntry 3 }
```

snmpTlstmAddrRowStatus OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      RowStatus
MAX-ACCESS  read-create
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
```

"The status of this conceptual row. This object may be used to create or remove rows from this table.

To create a row in this table, an administrator MUST set this object to either createAndGo(4) or createAndWait(5).

Until instances of all corresponding columns are appropriately configured, the value of the corresponding instance of the 'snmpTlstmAddrRowStatus' column is notReady(3).

In particular, a newly created row cannot be made active until the corresponding 'snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint' column has been set.

Rows MUST NOT be active if the 'snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint' column is blank and the snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity is set to '\*', since this would insecurely accept any presented certificate.

The snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint object MUST NOT be modified while the value of this object is active(1).

An attempt to set these objects while the value of snmpTlstmAddrRowStatus is active(1) will result in an inconsistentValue error."

```
::= { snmpTlstmAddrEntry 4 }
```

```
-- *****
-- snmpTlstmNotifications - Notifications Information
-- *****
```

snmpTlstmServerCertificateUnknown NOTIFICATION-TYPE

```
OBJECTS { snmpTlstmSessionUnknownServerCertificate }
STATUS  current
```

## DESCRIPTION

"Notification that the server certificate presented by an SNMP over (D)TLS server was invalid because no configured fingerprint or CA was acceptable to validate it. This may be because there was no entry in the snmpTlstmAddrTable or because no path to a known CA could be found.

To avoid notification loops, this notification MUST NOT be sent to servers that themselves have triggered the notification."

::= { snmpTlstmNotifications 1 }

## snmpTlstmServerInvalidCertificate NOTIFICATION-TYPE

OBJECTS {  
    snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint,  
    snmpTlstmSessionInvalidServerCertificates  
}

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"Notification that the server certificate presented by an SNMP over (D)TLS server could not be validated even if the fingerprint or expected validation path was known. That is, a cryptographic validation error occurred during certificate validation processing.

To avoid notification loops, this notification MUST NOT be sent to servers that themselves have triggered the notification."

::= { snmpTlstmNotifications 2 }

-- \*\*\*\*\*  
-- snmpTlstmCompliances - Conformance Information  
-- \*\*\*\*\*

snmpTlstmCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmConformance 1 }

snmpTlstmGroups OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { snmpTlstmConformance 2 }

-- \*\*\*\*\*  
-- Compliance statements  
-- \*\*\*\*\*

## snmpTlstmCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The compliance statement for SNMP engines that support the SNMP-TLS-TM-MIB."

## MODULE

MANDATORY-GROUPS { snmpTlstmStatsGroup,  
    snmpTlstmIncomingGroup,  
    snmpTlstmOutgoingGroup,  
    snmpTlstmNotificationGroup }

::= { snmpTlstmCompliances 1 }

-- \*\*\*\*\*  
-- Units of conformance



-- \*\*\*\*\*

**snmpTlstmStatsGroup OBJECT-GROUP**

```
OBJECTS {
    snmpTlstmSessionOpens,
    snmpTlstmSessionClientCloses,
    snmpTlstmSessionOpenErrors,
    snmpTlstmSessionAccepts,
    snmpTlstmSessionServerCloses,
    snmpTlstmSessionNoSessions,
    snmpTlstmSessionInvalidClientCertificates,
    snmpTlstmSessionUnknownServerCertificate,
    snmpTlstmSessionInvalidServerCertificates,
    snmpTlstmSessionInvalidCaches
}
STATUS          current
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for maintaining statistical
    information of an SNMP engine that implements the SNMP
    TLSTM."
::= { snmpTlstmGroups 1 }
```

**snmpTlstmIncomingGroup OBJECT-GROUP**

```
OBJECTS {
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNCount,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNTableLastChanged,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNFingerprint,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNMapType,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNData,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNStorageType,
    snmpTlstmCertToTSNRowStatus
}
STATUS          current
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for maintaining incoming
    connection certificate mappings to tmSecurityNames of an
    SNMP engine that implements the SNMP TLSTM."
::= { snmpTlstmGroups 2 }
```

**snmpTlstmOutgoingGroup OBJECT-GROUP**

```
OBJECTS {
    snmpTlstmParamsCount,
    snmpTlstmParamsTableLastChanged,
    snmpTlstmParamsClientFingerprint,
    snmpTlstmParamsStorageType,
    snmpTlstmParamsRowStatus,
    snmpTlstmAddrCount,
    snmpTlstmAddrTableLastChanged,
    snmpTlstmAddrServerFingerprint,
    snmpTlstmAddrServerIdentity,
    snmpTlstmAddrStorageType,
    snmpTlstmAddrRowStatus
}
STATUS          current
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for maintaining outgoing
```

```

        connection certificates to use when opening connections as
        a result of SNMP-TARGET-MIB settings."
 ::= { snmpTlstmGroups 3 }

snmpTlstmNotificationGroup NOTIFICATION-GROUP
    NOTIFICATIONS {
        snmpTlstmServerCertificateUnknown,
        snmpTlstmServerInvalidCertificate
    }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Notifications."
 ::= { snmpTlstmGroups 4 }

END
<CODE ENDS>

```

## 5. Security Considerations

This document updates a transport model that permits SNMP to utilize (D)TLS security services. The security threats and how the TLSTM mitigates these threats are covered throughout this document and in [RFC6353]. Security considerations for TLS are described in Section 10 and Appendix E of TLS 1.3 [RFC8446]. Security considerations for DTLS are described in Section 11 of DTLS 1.3 [RFC9147].

Implementations should consider the latest recommendations on the use of (DTLS), such as those documented in [RFC9325].

SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 did not include adequate security. Even if the network itself is secure (for example, by using IPsec), there is no control as to who on the secure network is allowed to access and GET/SET (read/change/create/delete) the objects in this MIB module.

It is RECOMMENDED that only SNMPv3 messages using the Transport Security Model (TSM) or another secure-transport-aware security model be sent over the TLSTM transport.

## 6. IANA Considerations

IANA has created a new registry called "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" within the "Structure of Management Information (SMI) Numbers (MIB Module Registrations)" group. The description of this registry is "iso.org.dod.internet.mgmt.mib-2.snmpTlstmMIB.snmpTlstmHashAlgorithms (1.3.6.1.2.1.198.4)".

The registry has the following fields: Value, Description, Recommended, and References. The range of values is zero to 255, with initial assignments shown in Section 2.1. The "Recommended" column indicates "Y" for hashing algorithms that are Standards Track and are deemed to be acceptable for widely applicable current use and "N" for hashing algorithms that reflect meanings that are not recommended (e.g., they do not provide sufficient security for modern systems, they are not Standards Track, and they have limited

applicability). A blank field indicates that no recommendation is made (e.g., because the value is unassigned or left for private use).

This registry is expected to be updated infrequently; as such, its values are limited to one octet.

The policy for updates to the "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry is Expert Review [RFC8126]. Registry requests should be sent to the <mailto:snmp-tlstm-reg-review@ietf.org> mailing list. Registration requests sent to the mailing list for review SHOULD use an appropriate subject (e.g., 'Request to register value in "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry'). In addition, designated experts should consult with the <mailto:tls-reg-review@ietf.org> mailing list to make sure that any new hash algorithms are considered for inclusion in this registry.

Designated experts SHOULD ascertain the existence of suitable documentation that defines a hash algorithm and SHOULD also verify that the request does not conflict with or duplicate other entries in the registry. The experts should also provide a recommendation as to how the "Recommended" column of the registry should be updated. Only publicly available specifications that represent current industry-accepted practices should receive an assignment of "Y" in the "Recommended" column; all other specific assignments in the registry should receive an assignment of "N". Assignments that are nonspecific (e.g., reserved values) SHOULD NOT receive an assigned value for the "Recommended" column.

Within the three-week review period, the designated experts will either approve or deny the registration request, communicating this decision to the review list and IANA. Denials SHOULD include an explanation and, if applicable, suggestions as to how to make the request successful. Registration requests that are undetermined for a period longer than three weeks can be brought to the IESG's attention (using the <mailto:iesg@ietf.org> mailing list) for resolution.

IANA MUST only accept registry updates from the designated experts and SHOULD direct all requests for registration to the review mailing list. While future additions to the "TLS HashAlgorithm" registry (i.e., the registry from which the "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry was spawned) are not expected, any future additions to the "TLS HashAlgorithm" registry MUST be consistent with the values assigned in the "SNMP-TLSTM HashAlgorithms" registry.

It is suggested that multiple designated experts be appointed who are able to represent the perspectives of different applications using this specification, in order to enable broadly informed reviews of registration decisions. In cases where a registration decision could be perceived as creating a conflict of interest for a particular expert, that expert SHOULD defer to the judgment of the other experts.

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