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Definitions of Managed Objects for the Border Gateway Protocol (Version 3)

## Status of this Memo

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## 1. Abstract

This memo defines a portion of the Management Information Base (MIB) for use with network management protocols in TCP/IP-based internets. In particular, it defines objects for managing the Border Gateway Protocol [11,12].

## 2. The Network Management Framework

The Internet-standard Network Management Framework consists of three components. They are:

RFC 1155 which defines the SMI, the mechanisms used for describing and naming objects for the purpose of management. RFC 1212 defines a more concise description mechanism, which is wholly consistent with the SMI.

RFC 1156 which defines MIB-I, the core set of managed objects for the Internet suite of protocols. RFC 1213, defines MIB-II, an evolution of MIB-I based on implementation experience and new operational requirements.

RFC 1157 which defines the SNMP, the protocol used for network access to managed objects.

The Framework permits new objects to be defined for the purpose of experimentation and evaluation.

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## 3. Objects

Managed objects are accessed via a virtual information store, termed the Management Information Base or MIB. Objects in the MIB are defined using the subset of Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1) [7] defined in the SMI. In particular, each object has a name, a syntax, and an encoding. The name is an object identifier, an administratively assigned name, which specifies an object type. The object type together with an object instance serves to uniquely identify a specific instantiation of the object. For human convenience, we often use a textual string, termed the OBJECT DESCRIPTOR, to also refer to the object type.

The syntax of an object type defines the abstract data structure corresponding to that object type. The ASN.1 language is used for this purpose. However, the SMI [3] purposely restricts the ASN.1 constructs which may be used. These restrictions are explicitly made for simplicity.

The encoding of an object type is simply how that object type is represented using the object type's syntax. Implicitly tied to the notion of an object type's syntax and encoding is how the object type is represented when being transmitted on the network.

The SMI specifies the use of the basic encoding rules of ASN.1 [8], subject to the additional requirements imposed by the SNMP.

### 3.1. Format of Definitions

Section 5 contains contains the specification of all object types contained in this MIB module. The object types are defined using the conventions defined in the SMI, as amended by the extensions specified in [9,10].

#### 4. Overview

These objects are used to control and manage a BGP [11,12] implementation.

The Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is an inter-Autonomous System routing protocol. The primary function of a BGP speaking system is to exchange network reachability information with other BGP systems. This network reachability information includes information on the full path of Autonomous Systems that traffic must transit to reach these networks.

BGP runs over a reliable transport protocol. This eliminates the need to implement explicit update fragmentation, retransmission,

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acknowledgement, and sequencing. Any authentication scheme used by the transport protocol may be used in addition to BGP's own authentication mechanisms.

The planned use of BGP in the Internet environment, including such issues as topology, the interaction between BGP and IGPs, and the enforcement of routing policy rules is presented in a companion document [12].

Apart from a few system variables, this MIB is broken into two tables: the BGP Peer Table and the BGP Received Path Attribute Table. The Peer Table reflects information about BGP peer connections, such as their state and current activity. The Received Path Attribute Table contains all attributes received from all peers before local routing policy has been applied. The actual attributes used in determining a route are a subset of the received attribute table.

### 5. Definitions

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RFC1269-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN
     NetworkAddress, IpAddress, Counter
          FROM RFC1155-SMI
     mib-2
          FROM RFC1213-MIB
   OBJECT-TYPE
          FROM RFC-1212
     TRAP-TYPE
          FROM RFC-1215;
-- This MIB module uses the extended OBJECT-TYPE macro as
-- defined in [9], and the TRAP-TYPE macro as defined
-- in [10].
        OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 15 }
bap
bgpVersion OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX OCTET STRING
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "Vector of supported BGP protocol version
          numbers. Each peer negotiates the version from
                        Versions are identified via the
          this vector.
          string of bits contained within this object.
          The first octet contains bits 0 to 7, the
          second octet contains bits 8 to 15, and so on,
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with the most significant bit referring to the
           lowest bit number in the octet (e.g., the MSB of the first octet refers to bit 0). If a bit,
           i, is present and set, then the version (i+1) of the BGP is supported."
      ::= { bgp 1 }
bgpLocalAs OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65535)
     ACCESS read-only
STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The local autonomous system number."
      ::= { bgp 2 }
bgpPeerTable OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF BgpPeerEntry
     ACCESS not-accessible
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The bgp peer table."
      ::= \{ bgp 3^{\circ} \}
bapIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The BGP Identifier of local system."
      ::= { bgp 4 }
bgpPeerEntry OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX BgpPeerEntry
     ACCESS not-accessible STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "Information about a BGP peer connection."
     INDEX
           { bgpPeerRemoteAddr }
          ::= { bgpPeerTable 1 }
BgpPeerEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
     bapPeerIdentifier
           IpAddress,
     bgpPeerState
           INTEGER.
     bgpPeerAdminŚtatus
           INTEGER,
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bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion
           INTEGER,
     bgpPeerLocalAddr
           IpAddress,
     bgpPeerLocalPort
           INTEGER,
     bgpPeerRemoteAddr
           IpAddress,
     bgpPeerRemotePort
           INTEGER,
     bgpPeerRemoteAs
           INTEGER,
     bgpPeerInUpdates
           Counter,
     bgpPeerOutUpdates
           Counter,
     bgpPeerInTotalMessages
           Counter,
     bgpPeerOutTotalMessages
     Counter, bgpPeerLastError
           OCTET STRING
     }
bgpPeerIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The BGP Identifier of this entry's BGP peer."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 1 }
bgpPeerState OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER {
           idle(1),
connect(2),
           active(3),
           opensent(4).
           openconfirm(5),
           established(6)
     ACCESS read-only STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The bgp peer connection state. "
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 2 }
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bgpPeerAdminStatus OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER
     ACCESS read-write
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The desired state of the BGP connection. A
           transition from 'stop' to 'start' will cause
the BGP Start Event to be generated. A
transition from 'start' to 'stop' will cause
           the BGP Stop Event to be generated. This
           parameter can be used to restart BGP peer
           connections. Care should be used in providing
           write access to this object without adequate
           authentication."
      ::= { bgpPeerEntry 3 }
bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
            "The negotiated version of BGP running between
           the two peers. "
      ::= { bgpPeerEntry 4 }
bgpPeerLocalAddr OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
ACCESS read-only
STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
            "The local IP address of this entry's BGP
           connection."
      ::= { bgpPeerEntry 5 }
bapPeerLocalPort OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65535)
     ACCESS read-only
STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The local port for the TCP connection between
           the BGP peers."
      ::= { bgpPeerEntry 6 }
bapPeerRemoteAddr OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
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"The remote IP address of this entry's BGP
           peer.
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 7 }
bapPeerRemotePort OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65535)
     ACCESS read-only
STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The remote port for the TCP connection between
           the BGP peers. Note that the objects
          bgpLocalAddr, bgpLocalPort, bgpRemoteAddr and bgpRemotePort provide the appropriate reference
           to the standard MIB TCP connection table.
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 8 }
bgpPeerRemoteAs OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65535)
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The remote autonomous system number."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 9 }
bgpPeerInUpdates OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX Counter
     ACCESS read-only STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The number of BGP UPDATE messages received on
           this connection. This object should be
           initialized to zero when the connection is
           established."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 10 }
bgpPeerOutUpdates OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX Counter
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The number of BGP UPDATE messages received on
           this connection. This object should be
           initialized to zero when the connection is
           established."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 11}
bgpPeerInTotalMessages OBJECT-TYPE
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SYNTAX Counter

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ACCESS read-only STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "The total number of messages received from the
          remote peer on this connection. This object
          should be initialized to zero when the
          connection is established.'
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 12 }
bgpPeerOutTotalMessages OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX Counter
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "The total number of messages transmitted to
          the remote peer on this connection. This object
          should be initialized to zero when the
          connection is established."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 13 }
bgpPeerLastError OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (2))
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatorv
     DESCRIPTION
          "The last error code and subcode seen by this
          peer on this connection. If no error has
          occurred, this field is zero. Otherwise,
          first byte of this two byte OCTET STRING
          contains the error code; the second contains
          the subcode."
     ::= { bgpPeerEntry 14 }
bapRcvdPathAttrTable OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF BgpPathAttrEntry
     ACCESS not-accessible STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "The BGP Received Path Attribute Table contains
          information about paths to destination networks
          received by all peers."
     ::= { bgp 5 }
bgpPathAttrEntry OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX BgpPathAttrEntry
     ACCESS not-accessible
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
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"Information about a path to a network."
     INDEX
          { bgpPathAttrDestNetwork,
            bgpPathAttrPeer }
     ::= { bgpRcvdPathAttrTable 1 }
BgpPathAttrEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
     bgpPathAttrPeer
          IpAddress,
     bgpPathAttrDestNetwork
          IpAddress,
     bgpPathAttrOrigin
          INTEGER,
     bgpPathAttrAŚPath
          OCTET STRING,
     bgpPathAttrNextHop
          IpAddress,
     bgpPathAttrInterASMetric
          INTEGER
bgpPathAttrPeer OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only
STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "The IP address of the peer where the path
          information
           was learned."
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 1 }
bgpPathAttrDestNetwork OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
          "The address of the destination network."
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 2 }
bgpPathAttrOrigin OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX INTEGER {
          igp(1),-- networks are interior
          egp(2),-- networks learned via EGP
          incomplete(3) -- undetermined
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
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"The ultimate origin of the path information."
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 3 }
bgpPathAttrASPath OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX OCTET STRING
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The set of ASs that must be traversed to reach
           the network. ( This object is probably best represented as SEQUENCE OF INTEGER. For SMI
           compatibility, though, it is represented as OCTET STRING. Each AS is represented as a pair
           of octets according to the following algorithm:
                 first-byte-of-pair = ASNumber / 256;
                 second-byte-of-pair = ASNumber & 255;"
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 4 }
bgpPathAttrNextHop OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The address of the border router that should
           be used for the destination network."
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 5 }
bgpPathAttrInterASMetric OBJECT-TYPE
     SYNTAX IpAddress
     ACCESS read-only
     STATUS mandatory
     DESCRIPTION
           "The optional inter-AS metric. If this
           attribute has not been provided for this route,
           the value for this object is 0."
     ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 6 }
bgpEstablished TRAP-TYPE
     ENTERPRISE { bgp }
VARIABLES { bgpPeerRemoteAddr,
                bgpPeerLastError,
                bgpPeerState }
     DESCRIPTION
           "The BGP Established event is generated when
           the BGP FSM enters the ESTABLISHED state.
     ::= 1
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- 8. Security Considerations

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