Applicability of Interfaces to Network Security Functions to Network-Based Security Services
(draft-ietf-i2nsf-applicability-09)

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Updates from the Previous Version

• The Previous Draft:
  – draft-ietf-i2nsf-applicability-08

• In this new version (-09), we revised the draft to address the comments from AD Eric Rescorla.
Updates for AD’s Comments (1/3)

• **Comment 1:** It is insecure to allow the DMS for real-time management-level access to NSFs.
  – The role of the DMS is restricted to providing an I2NSF system with the software package/image for NSF execution.
  – The DMS is never allowed to access NSFs in online (or activated status) for the I2NSF system’s security.
  – An access to running (online) NSFs is only allowed to the security controller.
Comment 2: Show an XML example and the text summary of the security policy for the time-dependent web access control in Section 4.

- We have added an example XML code for web filter and provided the text summary of the XML code.
Comment 3: In Section 6, it is unclear how to tell if a given software element in NFV environments is an NSF or a virtualized switch.

- NFV MANO includes a subsystem that maintains the descriptions of the capabilities each VNF can offer.
  - e.g., VNF onboarding system

- Based on the capability descriptions, this subsystem can determine whether a given software element (VNF instance) is an NSF or a virtualized SDN switch.
Next Steps

• **Submission to IESG**
  – It is necessary for WG chairs to discuss our revision with AD to move this draft forward.