

# Token Containers

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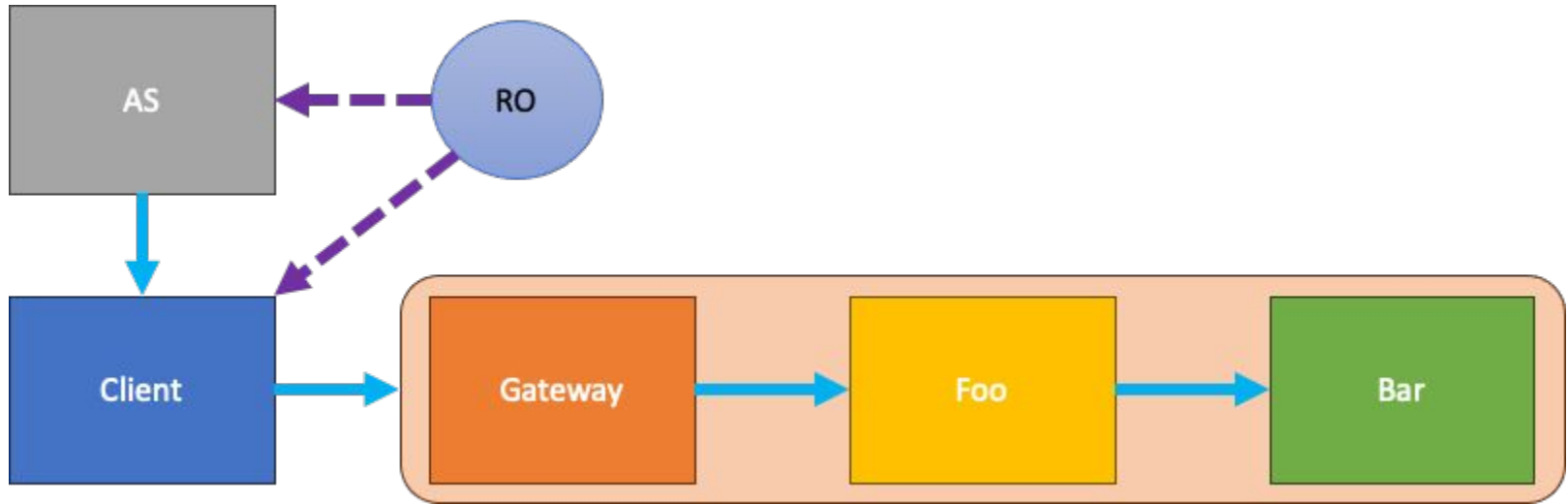
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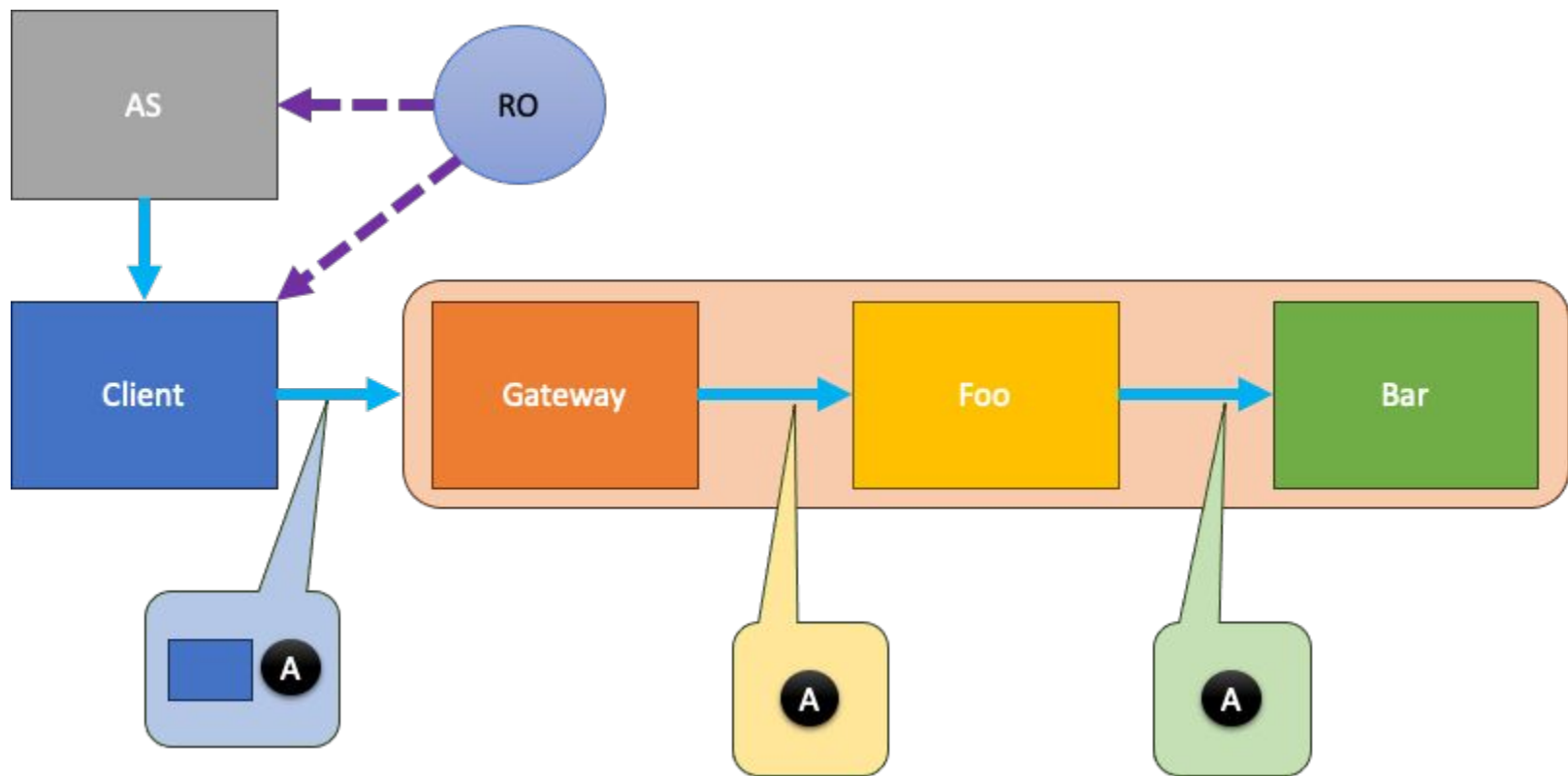
# The Problem

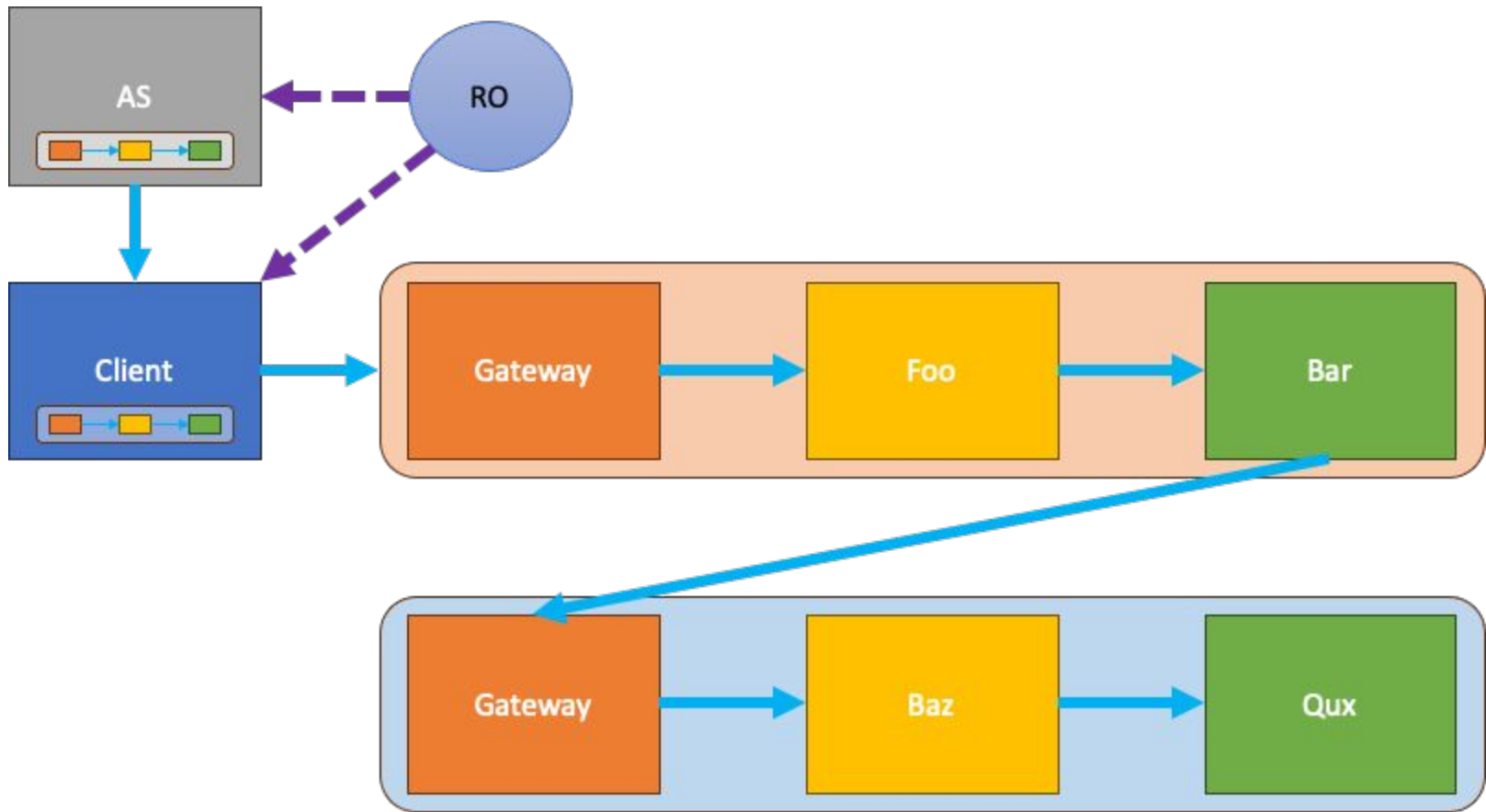
- We use tokens to limit access to APIs
- HTTP gives us a place to put **one token in a request**
  - Authorization: Foo token.goes.here-probably
  - *?access\_token=token.goes.here-but-not-if-you-follow.best.practices*
- What if we need more than one object like this?

# Why would we need more than one security object?

- Workload processing
  - Each stage can augment the request
  - Trusted nodes attest to the state of the request at that point
- Auditing
  - The fully disclosed token can be proven to have been witnessed by the transparency service
- SBOM
  - Enabled progressive disclosure of software bill of materials
- Reality
  - Treating everything like an access token is an anti-pattern







# A Multi-Token Data Structure

- Anyone can add a new token value to the structure (as a node)
- Each node can have metadata parameters (external to the token)
- Any token node can reference other nodes in the structure
- Once values and parameters are set, they can't be changed
- Anyone can sign a token node in the graph

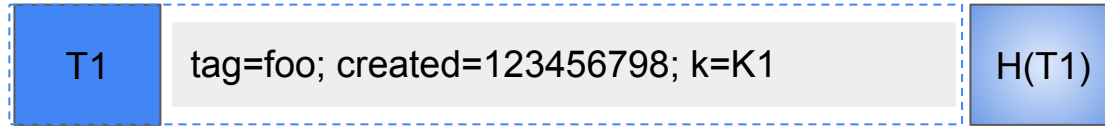
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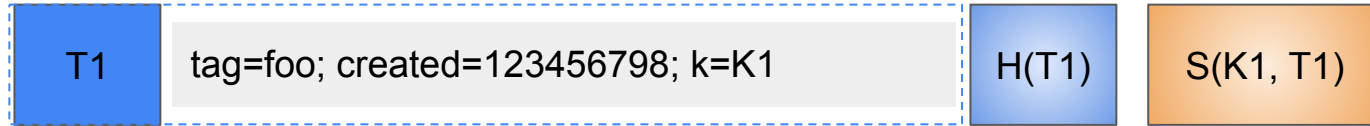
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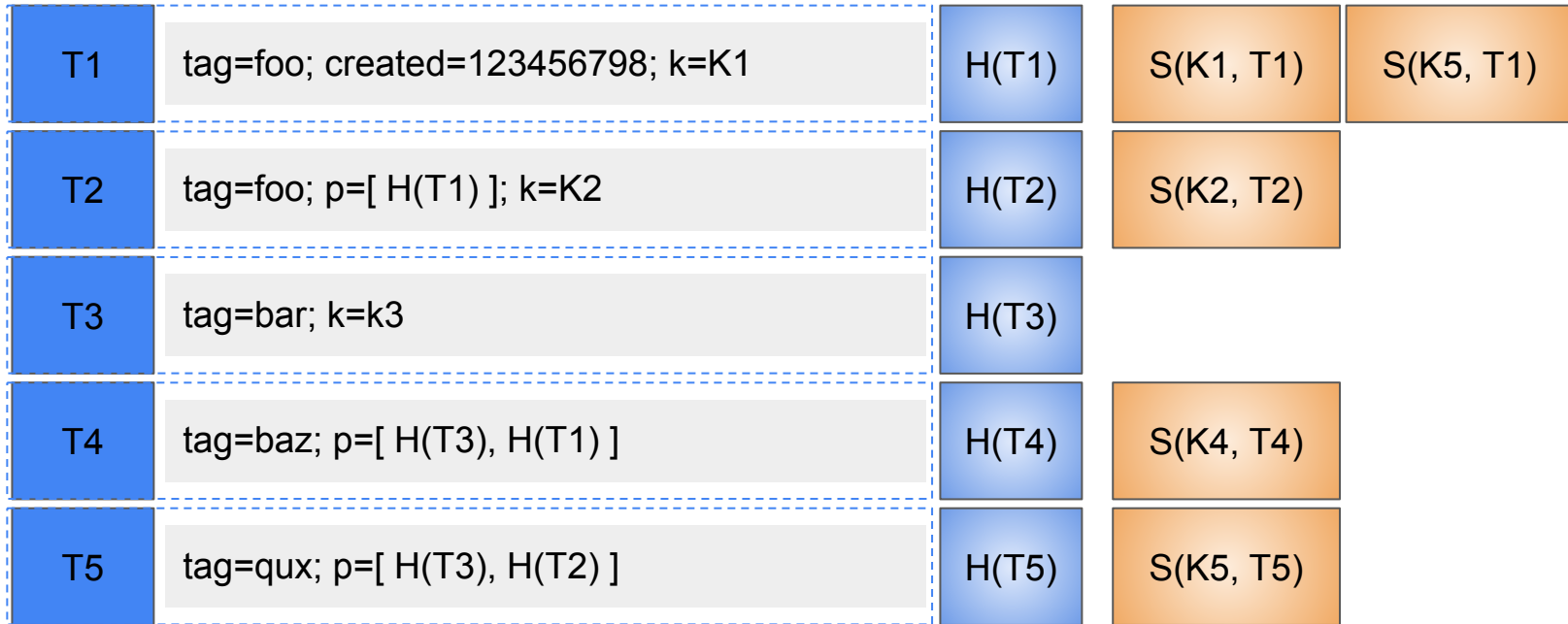
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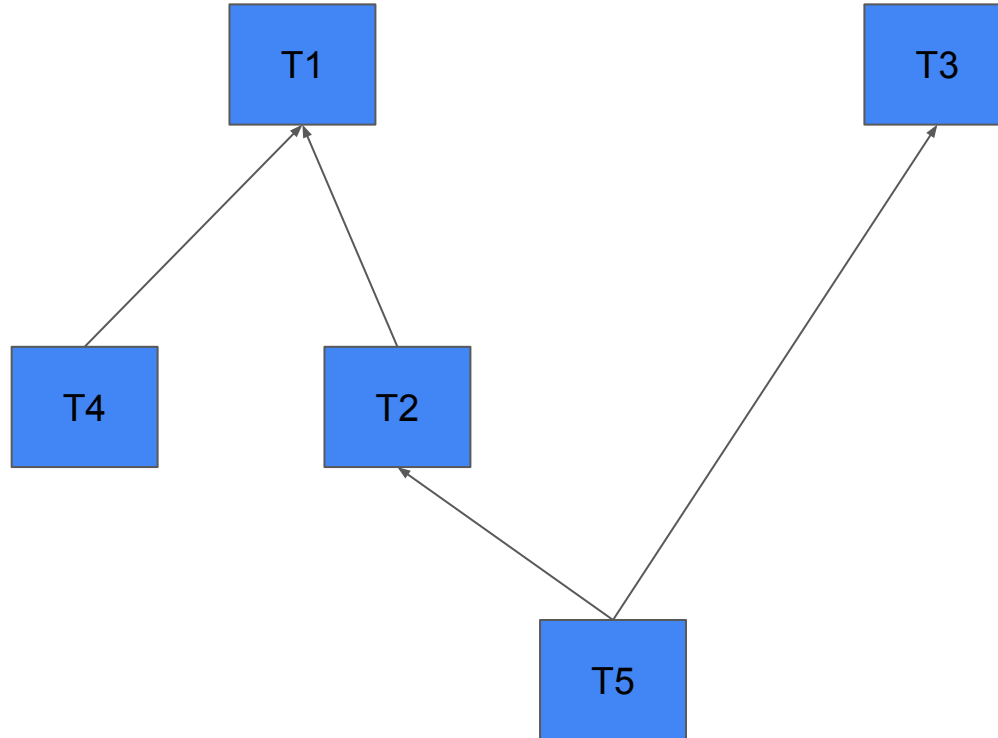
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# Notable attributes

- All node references are via (fixed) hash
- Signatures are over hash
- Signatures not included in hash
  - To protect a signature, include key identifier in metadata
- Can be pruned if needed

## Digital Credential Workflows

### Workflow:

The sequence of industrial, administrative, or other processes through which a piece of work passes from initiation to completion.

### Credential Workflows:

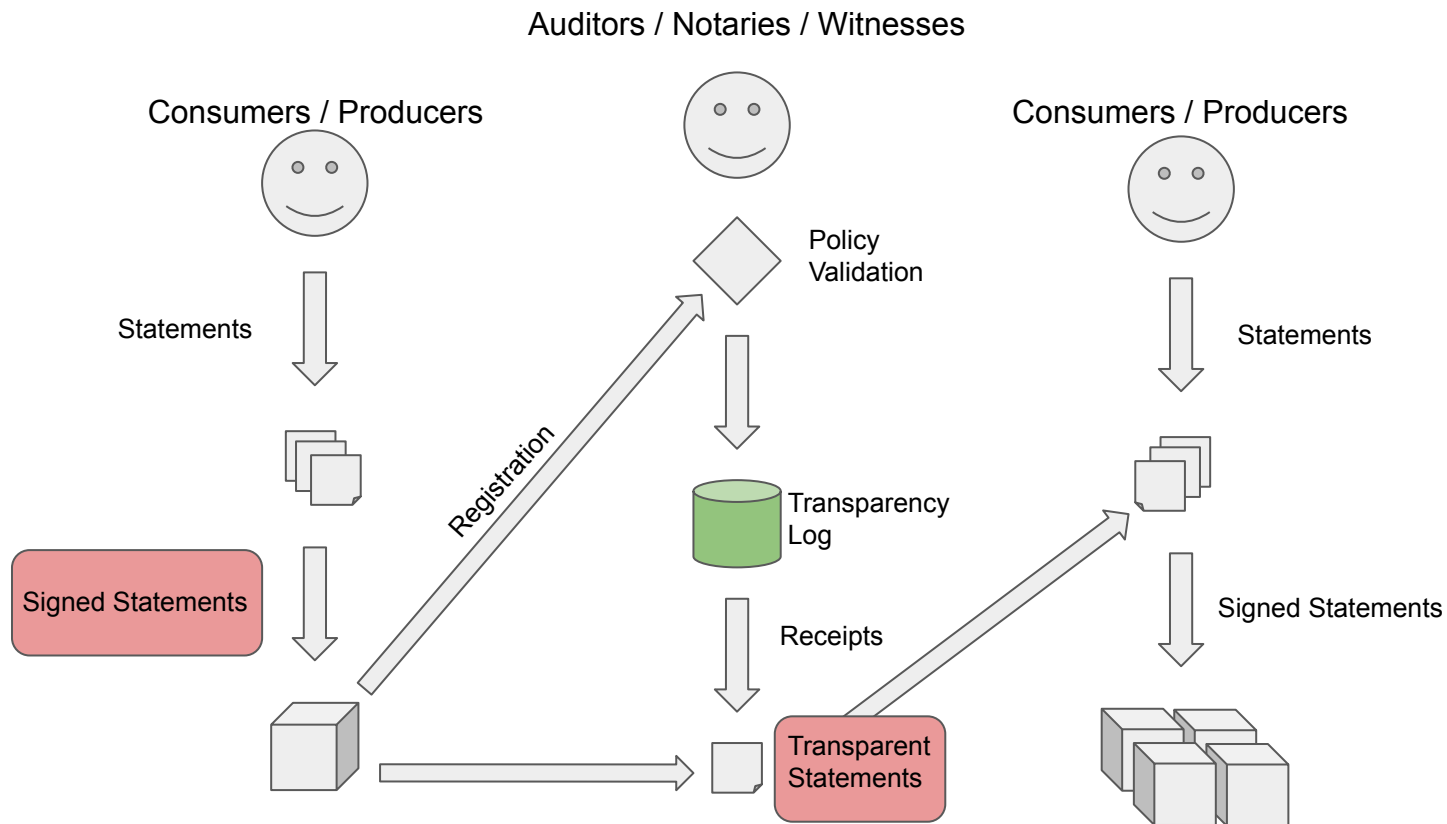
A workflow executed through the use of digital credential technologies, including identity documents, digital signatures and encrypted envelopes.

### Transparent Workflows:

Credential workflows, where messages are stored in a verifiable data structure, which enables new messages representing proofs of inclusion, consistency, or “receipts”, “endorsements” or “evidence”.

*Infosec personnel might audit a transparency service provider to ensure that they witnessed specific supply chain activity, or certify that a digital compliance policy is in place and being leveraged to secure an industry use case, such as software supply chain, physical supply chain, or digital content provenance.*

# Transparent Workflow Basics



Upstream

Supply Chain

Downstream



## Transparent Statement

```
18(                                     / COSE Single Signer Data Object      /
  [
    h'a3013822...6c61696e',           / Protected header                    /
    {                                   / Unprotected header                  /
      300: [                             / Receipts (1)                       /
        h'd284585f...419c8ec0'         / Receipt 1                          /
      ]
    },
    h'',                               / Detached payload                    /
    h'b8552367...e8235a07'           / Signature                            /
  ]
)
```

# Receipt

```
18(                                     / COSE Single Signer Data Object      /
  [
    h'a2013822...5f636838',           / Protected header                          /
    {                                   / Unprotected header                        /
      100: [                             / Inclusion proofs (1)                      /
        h'83020181...c6bf0202',       / Inclusion proof 1                          /
      ]
    },
    h'',                               / Detached payload                          /
    h'6140da0f...419c8ec0'           / Signature                                  /
  ]
)
```

## Inclusion Proof

```
[ / Inclusion proof 1 /
  2, / Tree size /
  1, / Leaf index /
  [ / Inclusion hashes (1) /
    h'5979d2d8...c6bf0202' / Intermediate hash 1 /
  ]
]
```