



# draft-ietf-grow-bgp-popsecupd-03

Keeping it short(er).

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# Changes since -01



- Removed text that is not ‘time-less high level directive policy’ since -00
  - Has been ‘reserved for future use’ in draft-fiebig-grow-routing-ops-sec-inform and draft-fiebig-grow-routing-ops-terms (later more)
- Removed some more; Around 90% of it.
- Focused on the essentials:
  - Do not expose your BGP speaker unnecessarily
  - Make sure you do not import NLRI from people not authorized to advertise them to you
  - Make sure you do not export NLRI to people you are not authorized to advertise



# 3.1. BGP Session Protection



- Prevent off-path attackers from injecting BGP messages into existing sessions.
- Prevent off-path attackers from interrupting existing sessions.
- Prevent off-path attackers from preventing the establishment of new sessions.
- Prevent remote systems from overwhelming the BGP speaker by sending large volumes of unsolicited packets or BGP messages.
- Ensure that unstable sessions do not threaten the availability of BGP speakers within the network.



## 3.2. BGP Speaker Mgmt. Interface Protection



- No unauthorized third-parties can obtain access or connect to the management interface of a BGP speaker in a way that allows tainting confidentiality, integrity, or availability.
- External activity towards the management interface do not interfere with the integrity or availability of BGP sessions.



# 4.1. Importing NLRI



- The AS originating NLRI for a prefix **MUST** be globally authorized to originate that prefix. Operators **MAY** deviate from this for default routes (::/0 and 0.0.0.0/0), if they granted the specific neighbor permission to announce default routes towards them.
- The AS\_PATH of the NLRI **MUST NOT** violate the valley-free principle [RFC4012], i.e., all ASes left of the originating AS in the AS\_PATH **MUST** be authorized to advertise the NLRI to the AS directly to their left.
- The AS\_PATH **MUST NOT** contain AS numbers reserved for private [RFC6996] or special-use cases not necessitating their presence in the global routing table [IANAASNSpec].
- The number of NLRI received from a neighbor **MUST NOT** exceed the resources of the local router.





## 4.2. Originating and Redistributing NLRI



- The AS\_PATH of redistributed NLRI MUST NOT violate the valley-free principle [RFC4012], i.e., the redistributing AS MUST be authorized to redistribute NLRI for the specific prefix when received from the AS directly to its right in the AS\_PATH. Additionally, each AS in the AS\_PATH not originating the prefix MUST be authorized to redistribute the prefix when receiving it from the next AS to its right.
- The AS originating NLRI for a prefix MUST be globally authorized to originate that prefix. Operators MAY deviate from this for default routes (::/0 and 0.0.0.0/0), if they originate the default route and the specific neighbor granted them permission to announce default routes towards them.
- The AS\_PATH MUST NOT contain AS numbers reserved for private [RFC6996] or special-use cases not necessitating their presence in the global routing table [IANAASNSpec].



## 4.3. General Considerations for Altering NLRI



- An operator **MUST NOT** change transitive BGP attributes, if the attribute is unknown to the operator. In selected cases, if a specific attribute is known to be malicious, an operator **MAY** filter that specific attribute or the NLRI.
- NLRI carried on BGP **MUST NOT** be enriched with transitive attributes subject to change independent of the underlying NLRI, e.g., encoding RPKI validation state in transitive attributes [I-D.spaghetti-sidrops-avoid-rpki-state-in-bgp].



# Next steps



Reach WG consensus on:

- What can still be taken away?
  - ⇒ There is not much left
- What should be added?
  - ⇒ Suggested metric: If there is more than two mails/minutes of discussion on **if** it should be added, it belongs in draft-fiebig-grow-routing-ops-sec-inform.

When we are there ⇒ WGLC?



# Discussion Starters



- From 119: BCP194 must change quickly
  - Claim: We have consensus *that* it needs changing, question is how
  - If we wait too long, we may no longer be able to change it.
  - Focusing on a draft that creates a high-level/vision policy will enable quicker consensus by avoiding bikeshedding around technology.
  - A policy driven draft will also be more robust against technology changing
- We got a *very* slim draft now; How do we move forward *quickly*?

