

# KARP WG

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### KARP Overview, Threats and Requirements



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# What triggered the changes?



- Triggered by an extensive review from the Security and Routing Directorate, IETF LC comments, and some internal reviews



## New Document Title

**“Keying and Authentication for Routing Protocols (KARP) Overview, Threats, and Requirements”**

- Better represents the content in the document.
- Follows same format as companion, KARP Design Guide

# Document Structure



## OLD

1. Intro
  - 1.1 Terminology
  - 1.2 Requirements Language
  - 1.3 Scope
  - 1.4 Incremental Approach
  - 1.5 Goals
  - 1.6 Non-Goals
  - 1.7 Audience
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## NEW

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# Clarifies Nature of how Doc Covers “Threats”



- RFC 4593: Provides a description and summary of threats that affect routing protocols
- Threats-reqs simply applies 4593 in the scope of KARP. Threats-reqs is NOT a full threat analysis
- Encourages analysis teams to read 4593, and apply per threat-reqs “Threats” section
- Changes in Abstract, Intro and Threats Section 3 to clarify the above

# Threats Section Restructured



## OLD

### 2. Threats

#### 2.1 Threats in Scope

#### 2.2 Threats out of Scope

- Discussed threat sources as separate from actions
- New text to explain how the stolen keys use case is a hybrid between INSIDER and OUTSIDER
- New text to clarify why Terminated Employee case so important, drives so many of our requirements

## NEW

### 3. Threats

#### 3.1 Threat Sources

##### 3.1.1 OUTSIDERS

##### 3.1.2 Stolen Keys

##### 3.1.2.1 Terminated Employees

#### 3.2 Threat Actions In Scope

#### 3.3 Threat Actions Out of Scope

# Requirements Section (1/4)



- Added a note that these requirements are meant for Phase I of the KARP effort. Will deal with Phase 2 requirements as part of the KMP framework effort.
- Req #6 – EDIT: change of security parameters **MUST** force a change of traffic keys, to saying it **MUST** change them immediately.

# Requirements Section (2/4)



- Req # 5a - Added text more clearly stating that messages protected with a group key must be resilient to an attacker changing the source address on the packet.
  - It requires that a string be added to the protected packet uniquely identifying the sender, such that a change to the identity will cause the MAC to be invalidated.

# Requirements Section (3/4)



- Req #10 – Clarified text around “MUST define a default security mechanism settings for all implementations to use when no explicit configuration is provided.”
- #22 – NEW: text warns against circular dependencies.  
If authentication and security mechanisms rely on systems external to the routing system, then there MUST be one or more options available to avoid circular dependencies.

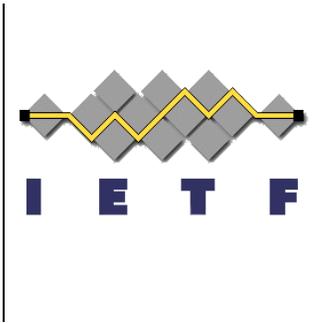
# Requirements Section (4/4)



- -03's Req # 17 Removed

“The authentication mechanism does not provide message confidentiality, but SHOULD NOT preclude the possibility of confidentiality support being added in the future.”

- Difficult (impossible) to fulfill without knowing what/if a future confidentiality solution would be.
- Thread on list: “subject: requirement 17 from karp-threat-reqs-03”



# Security Considerations

- Added: When Group Key Used...
  - Though spoofing by a legitimate neighbor is a **BYZANTINE** attack (insider attacks), and therefore ought to be out of scope,
  - Encourages KARP protocol design teams to at least consider the attack and determine, based on the costs and benefits, if a plausible solution can be employed, then document the decision, either way.

# Plan of Action



- Document has cleared one WG LC,
- In addressing IESG review comments, changes were substantial, so decided to come back before WG
- Re-initiate WG Last Call
- Rev an -05 w/ latest LC comments
- Progress -05 ASAP through to IESG Review again

**NEEDS TO BE DONE QUICKLY, AS OTHER DOCS DEPEND ON IT !!**