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# Foreword

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# 1 Scope

The present specification provides the stage 3 definition of the Background Data Transfer (BDT) Policy Control Service (Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl) of the 5G System.

The 5G System Architecture is defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2]. The stage 2 definition and related procedures for BDT Policy Control Service are specified in 3GPP TS 23.502 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.503 [4].

The 5G System stage 3 call flows are provided in 3GPP TS 29.513 [5].

The Technical Realization of the Service Based Architecture and the Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition are specified in 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] and 3GPP TS 29.501 [7].

The Policy Control Function (PCF) provides the BDT Policy Control Service. This service provides background data transfer policy negotiation function.

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# 2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non-specific.
- For a specific reference, subsequent revisions do not apply.
- For a non-specific reference, the latest version applies. In the case of a reference to a 3GPP document (including a GSM document), a non-specific reference implicitly refers to the latest version of that document *in the same Release as the present document*.

- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [2] 3GPP TS 23.501: "System Architecture for the 5G System; Stage 2".
- [3] 3GPP TS 23.502: "Procedures for the 5G System; Stage 2".
- [4] 3GPP TS 23.503: "Policy and Charging Control Framework for the 5G System; Stage 2".
- [5] 3GPP TS 29.513: "5G System; Policy and Charging Control signalling flows and QoS parameter mapping; Stage 3".
- [6] 3GPP TS 29.500: "5G System; Technical Realization of Service Based Architecture; Stage 3".
- [7] 3GPP TS 29.501: "5G System; Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition; Stage 3".
- [8] IETF RFC 7540: "Hypertext Transfer Protocol Version 2 (HTTP/2)".
- [9] IETF RFC 8259: "The JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) Data Interchange Format".
- [10] OpenAPI: "OpenAPI 3.0.0 Specification", <https://github.com/OAI/OpenAPI-Specification/blob/master/versions/3.0.0.md>.
- [11] 3GPP TS 29.504: "5G System; Unified Data Repository Services; Stage 3".
- [12] 3GPP TS 29.519: "5G System; Usage of the Unified Data Repository service for Policy Data, Application Data and Structured Data for exposure; Stage 3".
- [13] 3GPP TS 29.571: "5G System; Common Data Types for Service Based Interfaces; Stage 3".
- [14] 3GPP TS 29.122: "T8 reference point for Northbound APIs".
- [15] IETF RFC 7396: "JSON Merge Patch".

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## 3 Definitions and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

**Background data transfer:** feature that enables a 3rd party service provider to keep their costs lower by favouring time windows for data transfer to specific UEs in a geographical area during non-busy hours that are less costly and able to handle larger bitrates.

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions given in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2], subclause 3.1 apply:

#### 5G System

#### Network Function

#### NF service

#### NF service operation

#### Service based interface

### 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

AF	Application Function
API	Application Programming Interface
ASP	Application Service Provider
BDT	Background Data Transfer
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
NEF	Network Exposure Function
NF	Network Function
PCF	Policy Control Function
RAI	Routing Area Identification
SBI	Service Based Interface
TAI	Tracking Area Identity
UDR	Unified Data Repository
URI	Uniform Resource Identifier

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## 4 Background Data Transfer Policy Control Service

### 4.1 Service Description

#### 4.1.1 Overview

The BDT Policy Control Service, as defined in 3GPP TS 23.502 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.503 [4], is provided by the Policy Control Function (PCF).

This service enables the NF service consumer to negotiate policy for a future background data transfer and offers the following functionalities:



- get background data transfer policies based on the request from the NEF; and
- update background data transfer policies based on the selection provided by the NEF.

### 4.1.2 Service Architecture

The 5G System Architecture is defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2]. The Policy and Charging related 5G architecture is also described in 3GPP TS 29.513 [5].

The BDT Policy Control Service (Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl) is part of the Npcf service-based interface exhibited by the Policy Control Function (PCF).

The only known NF service consumer of the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl service is the Network Exposure Function (NEF).

The NEF accesses the BDT Policy Control Service at the PCF via the N30 Reference point. In the roaming scenario, the N30 reference point is located between the PCF and the NEF in the home network only.

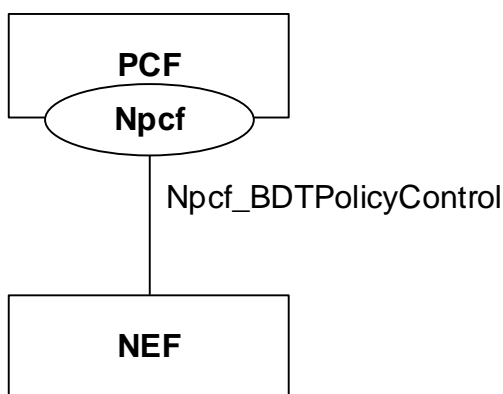


Figure 4.1.2-1: Reference Architecture for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl Service; SBI representation

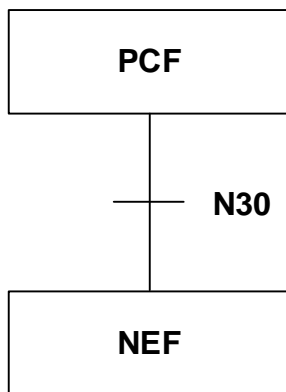


Figure 4.1.2-2: Reference Architecture for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl Service; reference point representation

### 4.1.3 Network Functions

#### 4.1.3.1 Policy Control Function (PCF)

The Policy Control Function (PCF):

- Provides background data transfer policies based on the request from the NEF. The PCF determines, based on information provided by the NEF and other available information (e.g. network policy, load status estimation for the requested time window, network area, etc.) one or more transfer policies.

- Updates background data transfer policy based on the selection provided by the NEF.

### 4.1.3.2 NF Service Consumers

The Network Exposure Function (NEF):

- requests the PCF to provide background data transfer policies; and
- provides the selected background data transfer policy to the PCF.

## 4.2 Service Operations

### 4.2.1 Introduction

**Table 4.2.1-1: Operations of the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl Service**

Service operation name	Description	Initiated by
Npcf_BDTPolicyControl_Create	Provides the requested background data transfer policies to the NF service consumer.	NF service consumer (NEF)
Npcf_BDTPolicyControl_Update	Updates the PCF with the background data transfer policy selected by the NF service consumer.	NF service consumer (NEF)

### 4.2.2 Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Create service operation

#### 4.2.2.1 General

The Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Create service operation is used by an NF service consumer to retrieve BDT policies from the PCF.

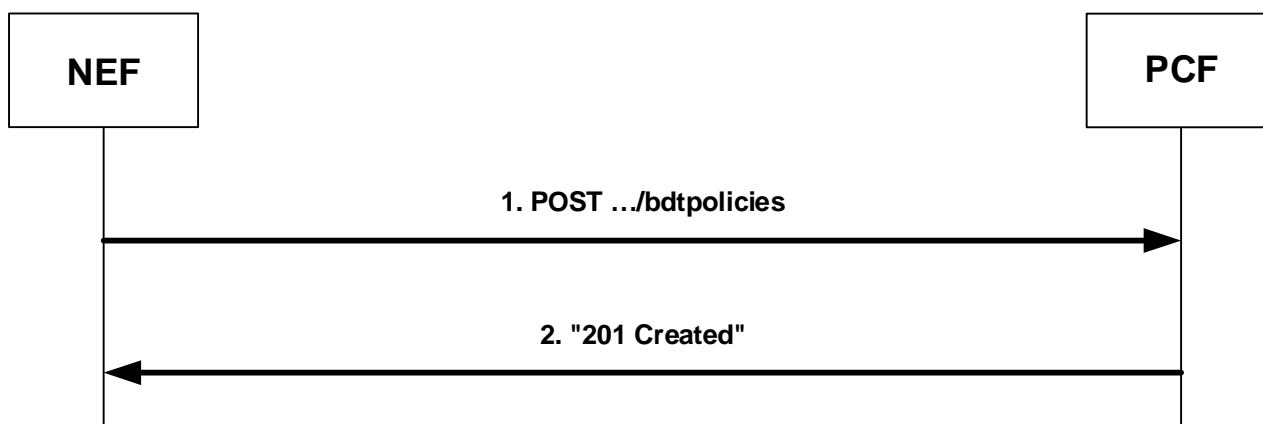
The following procedure using the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Create service operation is supported:

- retrieval of BDT policies.

#### 4.2.2.2 Retrieval of BDT policies

This procedure is used by the NEF to request BDT policies from the PCF, as defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2], 3GPP TS 23.502 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.503 [4].

Figure 4.2.2.2-1 illustrates a retrieval of BDT policies.



**Figure 4.2.2.2-1: Retrieval of BDT policies**

Upon reception of a Background Data Transfer request from the AF indicating a transfer policy request, the NEF shall invoke the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Create service operation by sending an HTTP POST request to the URI

representing a "BDT policies" collection resource of the PCF (as shown in figure 4.2.2.2-1, step 1). The NEF shall include a "BdtReqData" data type in a payload body of the HTTP POST request. The "BdtReqData" data type shall contain:

- an ASP identifier in the "aspId" attribute;
- a volume of data per UE in the "volPerUe" attribute;
- an expected number of UEs in the "numOfUes" attribute; and
- a desired time window in the "desTimeInt" attribute,

and may include network area information (e.g. list of TAIs/RAIs) in the "nwAreaInfo" attribute.

If the PCF cannot successfully fulfil the received HTTP POST request due to the internal PCF error or due to the error in the HTTP POST request, the PCF shall send the HTTP error response as specified in subclause 5.7.

Otherwise, upon the reception of the HTTP POST request from the NEF indicating a BDT policies request, the PCF:

- may invoke the Nudr\_DataRepository\_Query service operation, as described in 3GPP TS 29.504 [11] and 3GPP TS 29.519 [12], to request from the UDR all stored transfer policies;

NOTE 1: In case only one PCF is deployed in the network, transfer policies can be locally stored in the PCF and the interaction with the UDR is not required.

- shall determine one or more acceptable transfer policies based on:
  - a) information provided by the NEF; and
  - b) other available information (e.g. the existing transfer policies, network policy, load status estimation for the desired time window); and
- shall create a BDT Reference ID.

The PCF shall send to the NEF a "201 Created" response to the HTTP POST request, as shown in figure 4.2.2.2-1, step 2. The PCF shall include in the "201 Created" response:

- a Location header field; and
- a "BdtPolicy" data type in the payload body containing the BDT Reference ID in the "bdtRefId" attribute and acceptable transfer policy/ies in the "transPolicies" attribute.

The Location header field shall contain the URI of the created individual BDT policy resource i.e. "{apiRoot}/npcf-bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies/{bdtPolicyId}".

For each included transfer policy, the PCF shall provide:

- a transfer policy ID in the "transPolicyId" attribute;
- a recommended time window in the "recTimeInt" attribute; and
- a reference to charging rate for the recommended time window in the "ratingGroup" attribute,

and may provide a maximum aggregated bitrate for the uplink direction in the "maxBitRateUI" attribute and/or a maximum aggregated bitrate for the downlink direction in the "maxBitRateDI" attribute.

If the PCF included in the "BdtPolicy" data type:

- more than one transfer policy, the PCF shall wait for the transfer policy selected by the NEF as described in subclause 4.2.3; or
- only one transfer policy, the PCF may invoke the Nudr\_DataRepository\_Update service operation, as described in 3GPP TS 29.504 [11] and 3GPP TS 29.519 [12], to update the UDR with the selected transfer policy and the corresponding BDT Reference ID for the provided ASP identifier.

NOTE 2: In case only one PCF is deployed in the network, transfer policies can be locally stored in the PCF and the interaction with the UDR is not required.

## 4.2.3 Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Update service operation

### 4.2.3.1 General

The Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Update service operation is used by an NF service consumer to update a BDT policy to the PCF.

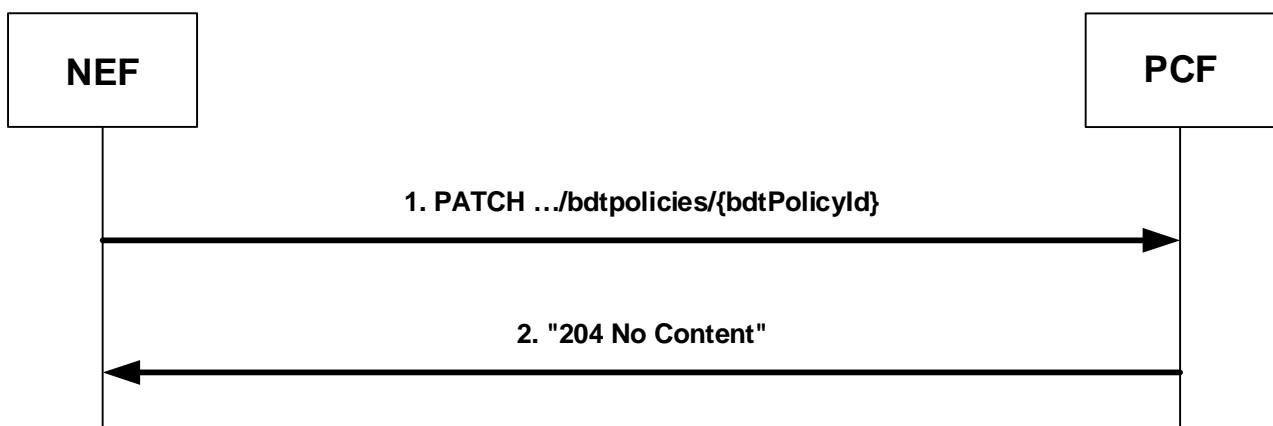
The following procedure using the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Update service operation is supported:

- indication about selected transfer policy.

### 4.2.3.2 Indication about selected transfer policy

This procedure is used by the NEF to inform the PCF about selected transfer policy, as defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2], 3GPP TS 23.502 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.503 [4].

Figure 4.2.3.2-1 illustrates an indication about selected transfer policy.



**Figure 4.2.3.2-1: Indication about selected transfer policy**

Upon reception of a Background Data Transfer request from the AF indicating transfer policy selection, the NEF shall invoke the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl\_Update service operation by sending an HTTP PATCH request to the PCF, as shown in figure 4.2.3.2-1, step 1. The NEF shall set the request URI to "{apiRoot}/npcf-bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies/{bdtPolicyId}".

The NEF shall include a "BdtPolicyDataPatch" data type in a payload body of the HTTP PATCH request. The "BdtPolicyDataPatch" data type shall contain a transfer policy ID of the selected transfer policy in the "selTransPolicyId" attribute.

If the PCF cannot successfully fulfil the received HTTP PATCH request due to the internal PCF error or due to the error in the HTTP PATCH request, the PCF shall send the HTTP error response as specified in subclause 5.7.

Otherwise, upon the reception of the HTTP PATCH request from the NEF indicating a selected transfer policy, the PCF:

- may invoke the Nudr\_DataRepository\_Update service operation, as described in 3GPP TS 29.504 [11] and 3GPP TS 29.519 [12], to update the UDR with the modified information from the NEF;

NOTE: In case only one PCF is deployed in the network, transfer policies can be locally stored in the PCF and the interaction with the UDR is not required.

- shall send:
  - a) a "204 No Content" response; or
  - b) a "200 OK" response with a "BdtPolicy" data type in the payload body,
 to the HTTP PATCH request to the NEF.

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## 5 Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API

### 5.1 Introduction

The BDT Policy Control Service shall use the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API.

The request URI used in each HTTP request from the NF service consumer towards the PCF shall have the structure defined in subclause 4.4.1 of 3GPP TS 29.501 [7], i.e.:

**{apiRoot}/{apiName}/{apiVersion}/{apiSpecificResourceUriPart}**

with the following components:

- The {apiRoot} shall be set as described in 3GPP TS 29.501 [7].
- The {apiName} shall be "npcf-bdtpolicycontrol".
- The {apiVersion} shall be "v1".
- The {apiSpecificResourceUriPart} shall be set as described in subclause 5.3.

### 5.2 Usage of HTTP

#### 5.2.1 General

HTTP/2, IETF RFC 7540 [8], shall be used as specified in subclause 5.2 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

HTTP/2 shall be transported as specified in subclause 5.3 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

The OpenAPI [10] specification of HTTP messages and content bodies for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl is contained in Annex A.

#### 5.2.2 HTTP standard headers

##### 5.2.2.1 General

See subclause 5.2.2 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] for the usage of HTTP standard headers.

##### 5.2.2.2 Content type

JSON, IETF RFC 8259 [9], shall be used as content type of the HTTP bodies specified in the present specification as specified in subclause 5.4 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

JSON body used to indicate the selected transfer policy in the HTTP PATCH request shall be encoded according to "JSON Merge Patch", as defined in IETF RFC 7396 [15].

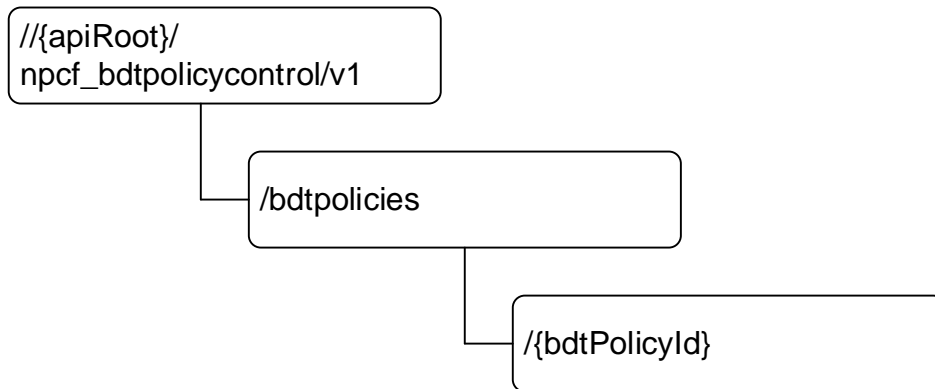
#### 5.2.3 HTTP custom headers

The Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API shall support HTTP custom header fields specified in subclause 5.2.3.2 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

In this Release of the specification, no specific custom headers are defined for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API.

## 5.3 Resources

### 5.3.1 Resource Structure



**Figure 5.3.1-1: Resource URI structure of the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API**

Table 5.3.1-1 provides an overview of the resources and applicable HTTP methods.

**Table 5.3.1-1: Resources and methods overview**

Resource name	Resource URI	HTTP method or custom operation	Description
BDT policies	//{{apiRoot}}/npcf_bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies	POST	Npcf_BDTPolicyControl_Create. Creates a new Individual BDT policy resource.
Individual BDT policy	//{{apiRoot}}/npcf_bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies/{{bdtPolicyId}}	GET	Reads an Individual BDT policy resource.
		PATCH	Npcf_BDTPolicyControl_Update. Modifies an existing Individual BDT policy resource by selecting or reselecting a transfer policy.

### 5.3.2 Resource: BDT policies (Collection)

#### 5.3.2.1 Description

The BDT policies resource represents all the transfer policies that exist in the BDT Policy Control service at a given PCF instance.

#### 5.3.2.2 Resource definition

Resource URI: **//{{apiRoot}}/npcf\_bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies**

This resource shall support the resource URI variables defined in table 5.3.2.2-1.

**Table 5.3.2.2-1: Resource URI variables for this resource**

Name	Definition
apiRoot	See subclause 5.1.

### 5.3.2.3 Resource Standard Methods

#### 5.3.2.3.1 POST

This method shall support the URI query parameters specified in table 5.3.2.3.1-1.

**Table 5.3.2.3.1-1: URI query parameters supported by the POST method on this resource**

Name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
n/a				

This method shall support the request data structures specified in table 5.3.2.3.1-2 and the response data structures and response codes specified in table 5.3.2.3.1-3.

**Table 5.3.2.3.1-2: Data structures supported by the POST Request Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
BdtReqData	M	1	Contains information for the creation of a new Individual BDT policy resource.

**Table 5.3.2.3.1-3: Data structures supported by the POST Response Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Response Codes	Description
BdtPolicy	M	1	201 Created	Successful case. The creation of an Individual BDT policy resource is confirmed and a representation of that resource is returned.
n/a			303 See Other	The result of the HTTP POST request would be equivalent to the existing Individual BDT policy resource. The HTTP response shall contain a Location header field set to the URI of the existing individual BDT policy resource.
n/a			404 Not Found	The HTTP POST request is rejected because the specified BDT policies collection resource does not exist.
NOTE: In addition, the HTTP status codes which are specified as mandatory in table 5.2.7.1-1 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] for the POST method shall also apply.				

#### 5.3.2.4 Resource Custom Operations

None.

### 5.3.3 Resource: Individual BDT policy (Document)

#### 5.3.3.1 Description

The Individual BDT policy resource represents the transfer policies that exist in the BDT Policy Control service at a given PCF instance.

#### 5.3.3.2 Resource definition

Resource URI: `/{apiRoot}/npcf_bdtpolicycontrol/v1/bdtpolicies/{bdtPolicyId}`

This resource shall support the resource URI variables defined in table 5.3.3.2-1.

**Table 5.3.3.2-1: Resource URI variables for this resource**

Name	Definition
apiRoot	See subclause 5.1.
bdtPolicyId	String identifying the individual BDT policy resource in the PCF.

Editor's note: The detailed format of the bdtPolicyId is FFS.

### 5.3.3.3 Resource Standard Methods

#### 5.3.3.3.1 GET

This method shall support the URI query parameters specified in table 5.3.3.3.1-1.

**Table 5.3.3.3.1-1: URI query parameters supported by the GET method on this resource**

Name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
n/a				

This method shall support the request data structures specified in table 5.3.3.3.1-2 and the response data structures and response codes specified in table 5.3.3.3.1-3.

**Table 5.3.3.3.1-2: Data structures supported by the GET Request Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
n/a			

**Table 5.3.3.3.1-3: Data structures supported by the GET Response Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Response codes	Description
BdtPolicy	M	1	200 OK	A representation of an Individual BDT policy resource is returned.
ProblemDetails	M	1	404 Not Found	(NOTE 2)
NOTE 1: In addition, the HTTP status codes which are specified as mandatory in table 5.2.7.1-1 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] for the GET method shall also apply.				
NOTE 2: Failure cases are described in subclause 5.7.				

#### 5.3.3.3.2 PATCH

This method shall support the URI query parameters specified in table 5.3.3.3.2-1.

**Table 5.3.3.3.2-1: URI query parameters supported by the PATCH method on this resource**

Name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
n/a				

This method shall support the request data structures specified in table 5.3.3.3.2-2 and the response data structures and response codes specified in table 5.3.3.3.2-3.

**Table 5.3.3.3.2-2: Data structures supported by the PATCH Request Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Description
BdtPolicyPatch	M	1	Contains modification instructions to be performed on the BdtPolicy data structure to select a transfer policy.



**Table 5.3.3.2-3: Data structures supported by the PATCH Response Body on this resource**

Data type	P	Cardinality	Response Codes	Description
BdtPolicy	M	1	200 OK	Successful case. The Individual BDT Policy resource is modified and a representation of that resource is returned.
n/a			204 No Content	Successful case. The Individual BDT Policy resource is modified.
ProblemDetails	M	1	404 Not Found	(NOTE 2)
NOTE 1: In addition, the HTTP status codes which are specified as mandatory in table 5.2.7.1-1 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] for the PATCH method shall also apply.				
NOTE 2: Failure cases are described in subclause 5.7.				

## 5.4 Custom Operations without associated resources

No custom operation is defined in this Release of the specification.

## 5.5 Notifications

Notifications are not applicable for the current Release.

## 5.6 Data Model

### 5.6.1 General

This subclause specifies the application data model supported by the API.

Table 5.6.1-1 specifies the data types defined for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl service based interface protocol.

**Table 5.6.1-1: Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl specific Data Types**

Data type	Section defined	Description	Applicability
BdtPolicy	5.6.2.2	Represents an Individual BDT policy resource.	
BdtPolicyData	5.6.2.4	Describes an Individual BDT policy resource.	
BdtPolicyDataPatch	5.6.2.6	Contains a selected transfer policy.	
BdtPolicyPatch	5.6.2.7	Contains modification instructions to be performed on the BdtPolicy data structure to select a transfer policy.	
BdtReqData	5.6.2.3	Contains information for creation a new Individual BDT policy resource.	
TransferPolicy	5.6.2.5	Describes a transfer policy.	

Table 5.6.1-2 specifies data types re-used by the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl service based interface protocol from other specifications, including a reference to their respective specifications and when needed, a short description of their use within the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl service based interface.

**Table 5.6.1-2: Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl re-used Data Types**

Data type	Reference	Comments	Applicability
BdtReferenceld	3GPP TS 29.122 [14]	Identifies transfer policy of background data transfer for provided ASP.	
BitRate	3GPP TS 29.571 [13]	Specifies bitrate in kbits per second.	
NetworkAreaInfo	3GPP TS 29.571 [13]	Represents a network area information (e.g. list of TAIs/RAIs) in which the NF service consumer requests the number of UEs.	
ProblemDetails	3GPP TS 29.571 [13]	Used in error responses to provide more detailed information about an error.	
SupportedFeatures	3GPP TS 29.571 [13]	Used to negotiate the applicability of the optional features defined in table 5.8-1.	
TimeWindow	3GPP TS 29.122 [14]	Specifies a time interval.	
UsageThreshold	3GPP TS 29.122 [14]	Represents a data volume expected to be transferred per UE.	

Editor's note: Name of NetworkAreaInfo data type needs to be aligned with name used in 3GPP TS 29.571 [13] once it is defined in 3GPP TS 29.571 [13].

## 5.6.2 Structured data types

### 5.6.2.1 Introduction

This subclause defines the structures to be used in resource representations.

Allowed structures are: array, object.

### 5.6.2.2 Type BdtPolicy

**Table 5.6.2.2-1: Definition of type BdtPolicy**

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
bdtPolData	BdtPolicyData	C	0..1	Describes the authorization data of an Individual BDT Policy created by the PCF. It shall be present in the response to the POST request that requests a creation of an Individual BDT Policy resource and in the response to GET request.	
bdtReqData	BdtReqData	C	0..1	Identifies the service requirements of an Individual BDT Policy. It shall be present in the POST request that requests a creation of an Individual BDT Policy resource and in the response to GET request.	

## 5.6.2.3 Type BdtReqData

Table 5.6.2.3-1: Definition of type BdtReqData

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
aspId	AspId	M	1	This IE contains an identity of an application service provider.	
desTimeInt	TimeWindow	M	1	This IE indicates a desired time window for BDT.	
nwAreaInfo	NetworkAreaInfo	O	0..1	This IE represents a network area information (e.g. list of TAIs/RAIs) in which the NF service consumer requests a number of UEs. It may be present in the POST request that requests a creation of an Individual BDT Policy and in the response to GET request.	
numOfUes	integer	M	1	This IE indicates a number of UEs.	
supportedFeatures	SupportedFeatures	O	0..1	This IE represents a list of Supported features used as described in subclause 5.8. It may be supplied by the NF service consumer in the POST request that request a creation of an Individual BDT Policy resource and it may be present in the response to GET request.	
volPerUe	UsageThreshold	M	1	This IE indicates a data volume expected to be transferred per UE.	

## 5.6.2.4 Type BdtPolicyData

Table 5.6.2.4-1: Definition of type BdtPolicyData

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
bdtPolicyDataPatch	BdtPolicyDataPatch	C	0..1	This IE contains the identity of the selected transfer policy. It shall be present in the response to the PATCH request that modifies an Individual BDT Policy resource to indicate a selected transfer policy.	
bdtRefId	BdtReferenceId	M	1	This IE indicates transfer policies of background data transfer for provided ASP.	
supportedFeatures	SupportedFeatures	O	0..1	This IE represents a list of Supported features used as described in subclause 5.8. It may be supplied by the PCF in the response to the POST request that requests a creation of an Individual BDT Policy resource.	
transfPolicies	array(TransferPolicy)	M	1..N	This IE contains transfer policies. It shall be supplied by the PCF in the response to the POST request that requests a creation of an Individual BDT Policy resource.	

### 5.6.2.5 Type TransferPolicy

**Table 5.6.2.5-1: Definition of type TransferPolicy**

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
maxBitRateDl	BitRate	O	0..1	This IE indicates a maximum aggregated bitrate in the downlink direction authorized by the PCF.	
maxBitRateUl	BitRate	O	0..1	This IE indicates a maximum aggregated bitrate in the uplink direction authorized by the PCF.	
ratingGroup	integer	M	1	This IE indicates a rating group for the recommended time window.	
recTimeInt	TimeWindow	M	1	This IE indicates a recommended time window of a transfer policy.	
transPolicyId	integer	M	1	This IE contains an identity of a transfer policy.	

### 5.6.2.6 Type BdtPolicyDataPatch

**Table 5.6.2.6-1: Definition of type BdtPolicyDataPatch**

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
selTransPolicyId	integer	M	1	This IE contains an identity (i.e. the transPolicyId value) of a selected transfer policy.	

### 5.6.2.7 Type BdtPolicyPatch

**Table 5.6.2.7-1: Definition of type BdtPolicyPatch**

Attribute name	Data type	P	Cardinality	Description	Applicability
bdtPolicyDataPatch	BdtPolicyDataPatch	M	1	Contains modification instructions to be performed on the BdtPolicy data structure to select a transfer policy.	

## 5.6.3 Simple data types and enumerations

### 5.6.3.1 Introduction

This subclause defines simple data types and enumerations that can be referenced from data structures defined in the previous subclauses.

### 5.6.3.2 Simple data types

The simple data types defined in table 5.6.3.2-1 shall be supported.

**Table 5.6.3.2-1: Simple data types**

Type Name	Type Definition	Description	Applicability
Aspld	string	This IE contains an identity of an application service provider.	

## 5.7 Error handling

### 5.7.1 General

HTTP error handling shall be supported as specified in subclause 5.2.4 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

For the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API, HTTP error responses shall be supported as specified in subclause 4.8 of 3GPP TS 29.501 [7]. Protocol errors and application errors specified in table 5.2.7.2-1 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6] shall be supported for an HTTP method if the corresponding HTTP status codes are specified as mandatory for that HTTP method in table 5.2.7.1-1 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6]. In addition, the requirements in the following subclauses shall apply.

### 5.7.2 Protocol Errors

In this Release of the specification, there are no additional protocol errors applicable for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API.

### 5.7.3 Application Errors

The application errors defined for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API are listed in table 5.7.3-1. The PCF shall include in the HTTP status code a "ProblemDetails" data structure with the "cause" attribute indicating the application error as listed in table 5.7.3-1.

**Table 5.7.3-1: Application errors**

Application Error	HTTP status code	Description
BDT_POLICY_NOT_FOUND	404 Not Found	The HTTP request is rejected because the specified Individual BDT policy resource does not exist. (NOTE)
NOTE: This application error is included in the responses to the GET and PATCH requests.		

## 5.8 Feature negotiation

The optional features in table 5.8-1 are defined for the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API. They shall be negotiated using the extensibility mechanism defined in subclause 6.6 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [6].

**Table 5.8-1: Supported Features**

Feature number	Feature Name	Description

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## Annex A (normative): OpenAPI specification

### A.1 General

The present Annex contains an OpenAPI [10] specification of HTTP messages and content bodies used by the Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API.

In case of conflicts between the main body of the present document and the present Annex, the information in the main body shall be applicable.

## A.2 Npcf\_BDTPolicyControl API

```

openapi: 3.0.0
info:
  title: Npcf_BDTPolicyControl Service API
  version: "1.PreR15.0.0"
  description: The Npcf_BDTPolicyControl Service is used by an NF service consumer to retrieve
background data transfer policies from the PCF and to update the PCF with the background data
transfer policy selected by the NF service consumer.
#
externalDocs:
  description: 3GPP TS 29.554 V0.4.0, 5G System; Background Data Transfer Policy Control Service
  url: 'http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/archive/29_series/29.554-040.zip/'
#
servers:
- url: https://{apiRoot}/npcf-bdtpolicycontrol/v1
  variables:
    apiRoot:
      default: virtserver.3gpp5gc-sbi.com
      description: apiRoot as defined in subclause 4.4 of 3GPP TS 29.501 excluding the https://
part.
paths:
  /bdtpolicies:
    post:
      requestBody:
        description: Contains modification instructions to be performed on the existing Individual
BDT policy resource.
        required: true
        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtReqData'
      responses:
        '201':
          description: Background data transfer policies offered to an ASP.
          content:
            application/json:
              schema:
                $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicy'
#
# Error scenarios POST
#
        '303':
          description: See Other. The result of the POST request would be equivalent to the existing
Individual BDT policy resource. The HTTP response shall contain a Location header field set to the
URI of the existing individual BDT policy resource.
        '400':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/400'
        '404':
          description: Not Found.
        '411':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/411'
        '413':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/413'
        '415':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/415'
        '500':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/500'
        '503':
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/503'
        default:
          $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/default'
#
# End error scenarios POST
#
  /bdtpolicies/{bdtPolicyId}:
    get:
      parameters:
        - name: bdtPolicyId
          description: String identifying the individual BDT policy resource in the PCF.
          in: path
          required: true
          schema:
            type: string
      responses:
        '200':
          description: Background data transfer policies offered to and selected by an ASP.

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        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicy'
#
# Error scenarios GET
#
'400':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/400'
'404':
  description: Not Found. Rejected because the specified Individual BDT policy resource does
not exist.
  content:
    application/problem+json:
      schema:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/ProblemDetails'
'414':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/414'
'500':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/500'
'503':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/503'
default:
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/default'
#
# End error scenarios GET
#
patch:
  parameters:
    - name: bdtPolicyId
      description: String identifying the individual BDT policy resource in the PCF.
      in: path
      required: true
      schema:
        type: string
  requestBody:
    description: Contains modification instruction to be performed on the BdtPolicy data
structure to select a transfer policy.
    required: true
    content:
      application/merge-patch+json:
        schema:
          $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicyPatch'
  responses:
    '200':
      description: The Individual BDT Policy resource is modified and a representation of that
resource is returned.
      content:
        application/json:
          schema:
            $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicy'
    '204':
      description: The Individual BDT Policy resource is modified.
#
# Error scenarios PATCH
#
'400':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/400'
'404':
  description: Not found. Rejected because the specified Individual BDT policy resource does
not exist.
  content:
    application/problem+json:
      schema:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/ProblemDetails'
'411':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/411'
'413':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/413'
'415':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/415'
'500':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/500'
'503':
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/503'
default:
  $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/responses/default'
#

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```

# End error scenarios PATCH
#
#
components:
  schemas:
#
# Structured data types
#
  BdtPolicy:
    description: Represents an Individual BDT policy resource.
    type: object
    properties:
      bdtPolData:
        $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicyData'
      bdtReqData:
        $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtReqData'
#
  BdtReqData:
    description: Contains service requirements for creation a new Individual BDT policy resource.
    type: object
    required:
      - aspId
      - desTimeInt
      - numOfUes
      - volPerUe
    properties:
      aspId:
        $ref: '#/components/schemas/AspId'
      desTimeInt:
        $ref: 'TS29122_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/TimeWindow'
      nwAreaInfo:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/NetworkAreaInfo'
      numOfUes:
        description: Indicates a number of UEs.
        type: integer
      volPerUe:
        $ref: 'TS29122_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/UsageThreshold'
      supportedFeatures:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/SupportedFeatures'
#
  BdtPolicyData:
    description: Describes the authorization data of an Individual BDT policy resource.
    type: object
    required:
      - bdtRefId
      - transfPolicies
    properties:
      bdtRefId:
        $ref: 'TS29122_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/BdtReferenceId'
      transfPolicies:
        description: Contains transfer policies.
        type: array
        items:
          $ref: '#/components/schemas/TransferPolicy'
        minItems: 1
      bdtPolicyDataPatch:
        $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicyDataPatch'
      supportedFeatures:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/SupportedFeatures'
#
  BdtPolicyPatch:
    description: A JSON Merge Patch body schema containing modification instruction to be
    performed on the BdtPolicy data structure to select a transfer policy. Adds selTransPolicyId to
    BdtPolicyData data structure.
    type: object
    required:
      - bdtPolData
    properties:
      bdtPolData:
        $ref: '#/components/schemas/BdtPolicyDataPatch'
#
  BdtPolicyDataPatch:
    description: Contains selected transfer policy.
    type: object
    required:
      - selTransPolicyId
    properties:
      selTransPolicyId:

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    description: Contains an identity (i.e. transPolicyId value) of the selected transfer
policy.
    type: integer
#
  TransferPolicy:
    description: Describes a transfer policy.
    type: object
    required:
    - ratingGroup
    - recTimeInt
    - transPolicyId
    properties:
      maxBitRateDl:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/BitRate'
      maxBitRateUl:
        $ref: 'TS29571_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/BitRate'
      ratingGroup:
        description: Indicates a rating group for the recommended time window.
        type: integer
      recTimeInt:
        $ref: 'TS29122_CommonData.yaml#/components/schemas/TimeWindow'
      transPolicyId:
        description: Contains an identity of a transfer policy.
        type: integer
#
# Simple data types
#
  AspId:
    description: Contains an identity of an application service provider.
    type: string
#
#
```

## Annex B (informative): Change history

Change history							
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