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Application Notes for Spok MediCall, utilizing Spok CTI Layer, with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Avaya Aura® Application Enablement Services - Issue 1.0

Abstract

These Application Notes describe a compliance-tested configuration comprised of Avaya Aura® Communication Manager, Avaya Aura® Application Enablement Services, Avaya IP endpoints, and Spok MediCall desktop applications.

Spok MediCall allows a user to operate a physical telephone and view call and telephone display information through a graphical user interface (GUI). Spok MediCall integrates with Spok CTI Layer, which is a middleware between Spok MediCall and Avaya Aura® Application Enablement Services, to control and monitor phone states.

Readers should pay attention to **Section 2**, in particular the scope of testing as outlined in **Section 2.1** as well as any observations noted in **Section 2.2**, to ensure that their own use cases are adequately covered by this scope and results.

Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through DevConnect compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the DevConnect Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

1. Introduction

These Application Notes describe a compliance-tested configuration comprised of Avaya Aura® Communication Manager, Avaya Aura® Application Enablement Services (AES), Avaya IP Endpoints (9608) and Spok MediCall applications.

Spok MediCall is a Windows-based attendant console application for Healthcare industry. Spok MediCall allows a user to operate a physical telephone and view call and telephone display information through a graphical user interface (GUI). Spok MediCall integrates with Spok CTI Layer, which is a middleware between Spok MediCall and AES, to control and monitor phone states.

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For the testing associated with these Application Notes, the interface between Avaya systems and Spok made use of Secure DMCC.

2. General Test Approach and Test Results

The general approach was to exercise basic telephone and call operations on Avaya IP endpoints using the aforementioned Spok desktop application. The main objectives were to verify that:

- The user may successfully use MediCall to perform off-hook, on-hook, dial, answer, hold, retrieve, transfer, conference, and release operations on the physical telephone.
- The agent user may successfully use MediCall to log into and out of an ACD, and move between agent work modes.
- Manual operations performed on the physical telephone are correctly reflected in the MediCall GUI.
- MediCall and manual telephone operations may be used interchangeably; for example, go off-hook using MediCall and manually dial digits.
- Display and call information on the physical telephone is accurately reflected in the MediCall GUI.

• Call states are consistent between MediCall and the physical telephone.

For serviceability testing, failures such as cable pulls and resets were applied. All test cases passed.

2.1. Interoperability Compliance Testing

The interoperability compliance test included features and serviceability. The focus of the compliance test was primarily on verifying the interoperability between Spok MediCall, AES, and Communication Manager.

2.2. Test Results

All test cases were executed and passed with the exception of the following observation.

During a scenario where network connection from Spok MediCall is lost, the CTI service on Spok PC/PSAP needed to be manually restarted to register the DMCC station again.

2.3. Support

Technical support for the Spok MediCall solution can be obtained by contacting Spok:

- URL http://www.spok.com
- Phone (888) 797-7487

3. Reference Configuration

Figure 1 illustrates the configuration used in these Application Notes. The sample configuration shows an enterprise with an AES, Communication Manager, Media Server with an Avaya G450 Media Gateway. Spok MediCall is configured to be in the same network as the enterprise. Endpoints include Avaya 9600 Series H.323 IP Telephones.

Note: Basic administration of Communication Manager and AES server is assumed. For details, see [1] and [2].

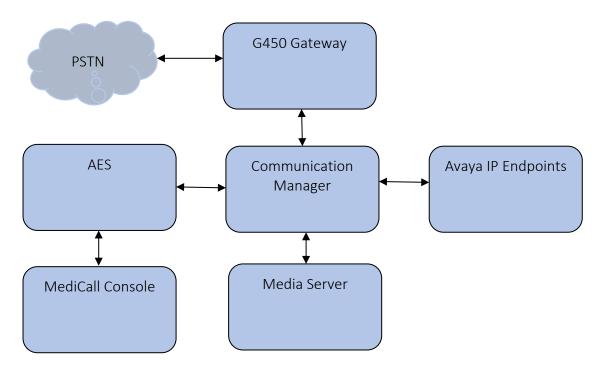


Figure 1: Spok MediCall Test Configuration.

4. Equipment and Software Validated

The following equipment and software/firmware were used for the sample configuration provided:

]	Equipment	Software/Firmware
Avaya Aura® Con	nmunication Manager	8.0.1.1.0-FP1SP1
Avaya Aura® App	lication Enablement Services	8.0.1.0.2.5-0
Avaya Aura® Med	lia Server	8.0.0.183
Avaya G450 Medi	a Gateway	40.20.0
Avaya 9600 Series	IP Telephones	
	9641/9611/9608 (H.323)	6.8102
Spok CTI Layer		7.x (7.0.0.6)
Spok MediCall		11.x (11.11.28)

5. Configure Avaya Aura® Communication Manager

This section describes the procedures for configuring IP Services, Feature Access Codes, Abbreviated Dialing, and controlled telephones.

5.1. Configure IP Services

Enter the **change node-names ip** command. In the compliance-tested configuration, the procr IP address was used for registering H.323 endpoints, and for connectivity to AES.

```
change node-names ip
                                                                Page
                                                                       1 of
                                                                              2
                                  IP NODE NAMES
                    IP Address
aes8
                  10.64.110.132
ams8
                  10.64.110.136
cms18
                   10.64.110.20
default
                   0.0.0.0
                   10.64.110.200
egw1
egw2
                   10.64.110.201
                   10.64.110.131
procr
procr6
                    10.64.110.135
sm8
```

Enter the **change ip-services** command. On **Page 1**, configure the Service Type field to **AESVCS** and the Enabled field to **y**. The Local Node field should be pointed to the **procr** that was configured previously in the IP NODE NAMES form in this section. During the compliance test, the default port was used for the Local Port field.

change ip-s	services				Page	1 of	3	
Service Type AESVCS	Enabled Y I	Local Node procr	IP SERVICES Local Port 8765	Remote Node	Remote Port			

On **Page 3**, enter the hostname of the AES server for the AE Services Server field. The server name may be obtained by logging in to the AES server using ssh, and running the command **uname –a**. Enter an alphanumeric password for the Password field. Set the Enabled field to **y**. The same password will be configured on the AES server in **Section 6.2**.

change ip-servi	ices			Page	3 of	3
		AE Services Adminis	tration			
Server ID	AE Services	Password	Enabled	Status		
	Server					
1: 8	aes8	*	У	idle		
2:						

5.2. Configure Abbreviated Dialing

Enter the **add abbreviated-dialing system** command. In the **DIAL CODE** list, enter the Feature Access Codes for ACD Login and Logout. These codes will be used by MediCall extensions.

```
change abbreviated-dialing system
                                                           Page
                                                                 1 of
                     ABBREVIATED DIALING LIST
                             SYSTEM LIST
Size (multiple of 5): 5 Privileged? n Label Language:english
                              LABELS (FOR STATIONS THAT DOWNLOAD LABELS)
DIAL CODE
    01: *01
                                        01: Log-in
    02: *06
                                        02: Log-out
    03:
                                        04: ********
    04:
                                        05: ********
    05:
```

5.3. Configure Stations

During the compliance testing three extensions were configured for MediCall. Two extensions were used by MediCall application for controlling Avaya Endpoints and the third one for Call Park. Enter the **change station** n command, where n is an available extension.

Extensions 10031 and 10032 were used by MediCall for controlling Avaya Endpoints. On **Page** 1 of the **station** form, enter a phone **Type** and **Port**, descriptive **Name**, **Security Code** and set **IP SoftPhone field** to **y** to allow the physical station to be controlled by a softphone such as the MediCall application. Additionally, set **Button Modules** to **2**.

```
5
change station 10031
                                                                                         1 of
                                              STATION
                                               Lock Messages? n
Security Code: *
Coverage Path 1:
Coverage Path 2:
Extension: 10031
                                                                                         BCC: 0
     Type: 9608
                                                                                          TN: 1
     Port: S00081
                                                                                         COR: 1
     Name: MediCall 1
                                                                                         cos: 1
Unicode Name? n
                                            Hunt-to Station:
                                                                                       Tests? y
STATION OPTIONS
                                                     Time of Day Lock Table:
         Loss Group: 19

Personalized Ringing Pattern: 1

Message Lamp Ext: 10031

Speakerphone: 2-way

Display Language: english

Mute Button Enabled? y

Button Modules: 2
 Survivable GK Node Name:
           Survivable COR: internal
                                                           Media Complex Ext:
   Survivable Trunk Dest? y
                                                                  IP SoftPhone? y
                                                          IP Video Softphone? n
                                     Short/Prefixed Registration Allowed: default
                                                         Customizable Labels? y
```

On Page 2, set Auto Select Any Idle Appearance to y.

```
change station 10031
                                                                      2 of 5
                                                               Page
                                    STATION
FEATURE OPTIONS
         LWC Reception: spe
                                        Auto Select Any Idle Appearance? y
        LWC Activation? y
                                                   Coverage Msg Retrieval? y
                                                             Auto Answer: none
 LWC Log External Calls? n
            CDR Privacy? n
                                                        Data Restriction? n
  Redirect Notification? y
                                              Idle Appearance Preference? n
Per Button Ring Control? n
Bridged Call Alerting? n
                                            Bridged Idle Line Preference? n
                                                 Restrict Last Appearance? y
 Active Station Ringing: single
                                                        EMU Login Allowed? n
                              Per Station CPN - Send Calling Number?
       H.320 Conversion? n
        Multimedia Mode: as-needed

Served User Type:
      Service Link Mode: as-needed
                                                       EC500 State: enabled
                                                 Audible Message Waiting? n
   MWI Served User Type:
                                              Display Client Redirection? n
             AUDIX Name:
                                              Select Last Used Appearance? n
                                                Coverage After Forwarding? s
                                                  Multimedia Early Answer? n
Remote Softphone Emergency Calls: as-on-local Direct IP-IP Audio Connections? y
Emergency Location Ext: 10031
                                         Always Use? n IP Audio Hairpinning? n
```

On **Page 4** of the station form, for **ABBREVIATED DIALING List 1**, enter the abbreviated dialing group configured in previous section. On **Pages 4**, **6** and **7** of the station forms, configure the following BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS in addition to the call-appr (call appearance) buttons as shown below

```
change station 10031
                                                                              5
                                                                Page
                                                                       4 of
                                     STATION
SITE DATA
      Room:
                                                        Headset? n
      Jack:
                                                        Speaker? n
     Cable:
                                                       Mounting: d
                                                    Cord Length: 0
     Floor:
                                                      Set Color:
  Building:
ABBREVIATED DIALING
                             List2:
    List1: system
                                                         List3:
BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS
BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS
1: call-appr
                                         5: call-appr
                                         6: q-calls
2: call-appr
                                                      Grp: 1
3: call-appr
                                         7:
4: call-appr
                                         8:
                                                                Page 5 of 7
change station 10031
                                    STATION
BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS
9:
10:
```

```
11:
12:
13:
14:
15:
16:
17:
18:
19:
20:
21:
22:
23:
24:
change station 10031
                                                                          Page
                                                                                  6 of
                                                                                          7
                                          STATION
                             BUTTON MODULE #1 ASSIGNMENTS
 1: brdg-appr B:1 E:50001
                                              13: brdg-appr B:1 E:50002
 2: brdg-appr B:2 E:50001
                                              14: brdg-appr B:2 E:50002
3: brdg-appr B:3 E:50001
                                              15:
4: brdg-appr B:4 E:50001
5: brdg-appr B:5 E:50001
6: brdg-appr B:6 E:50001
                                              16:
                                              17:
                                              18:
                                              19:
 7:
8: abrv-dial List: 1 DC: 01
                                              20:
9: auto-in Grp:
10: aux-work RC: Grp:
                                              21:
                                              22:
11: after-call
                                              23:
                        Grp:
                                              24:
change station 10031
                                                                          Page 7 of
                                                                                          7
                                          STATION
                            BUTTON MODULE #2 ASSIGNMENTS
1: brdg-appr B:1 E:50003
                                              13: brdg-appr B:1 E:50004
                                              14: brdg-appr B:2 E:50004
15: brdg-appr B:3 E:50004
16: brdg-appr B:4 E:50004
 2:
3:
 4:
 5: abrv-dial List: 1 DC: 02
                                              17: brdg-appr B:5 E:50004
 6:
                                              18:
                                              19:
7:
8:
                                              20:
9:
                                              21:
10:
                                              22:
                                              23: togle-swap
11:
12:
                                              24: release
```

Repeat the instructions provided in this section for each physical station that is to be controlled / monitored by MediCall Application.

5.4. Configure Hunt Group

Enter the **add hunt-group** *n* command, where *n* is an unused hunt group number. On **Page 1** of the **Hunt Group** form assign a descriptive **Group Name** and an available **Group Extension** as per the dial plan. Also, set **ACD**, **Queue** and **Vector** to **y**. The Hunt group configured here will be used by contact center agents to log onto ACD.

```
add hunt-group 21
                                                          Page
                                                                 1 of
                               HUNT GROUP
          Group Number: 21
                                                       ACD? y
            Group Name: Hunt Group 21
                                                     Queue? y
        Group Extension: 12021
                                                    Vector? y
            Group Type: ucd-mia
                   TN: 1
                   COR: 1
                                          MM Early Answer? n
         Security Code:
                              Local Agent Preference? n
ISDN/SIP Caller Display:
           Queue Limit: unlimited
Calls Warning Threshold: Port:
 Time Warning Threshold:
```

5.5. Configure VDN

Use the **add vdn** *n* command to add a new VDN, where *n* is an available extension as per the dial plan. Note that all VDNs used the same vector.

On Page 1, provide a descriptive Name and available Vector Number in Destination.

```
change vdn 12221
                                                               Page
                                                                      1 of
                                                                             3
                           VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER
                            Extension: 12221
                                                                Unicode Name? n
                                Name*: Spok VDN
                          Destination: Vector Number 21
                  Attendant Vectoring? n
                 Meet-me Conferencing? n
                   Allow VDN Override? n
                                  COR· 1
                                  TN*: 1
                             Measured: both
                                               Report Adjunct Calls as ACD*? n
        Acceptable Service Level (sec): 20
        VDN of Origin Annc. Extension*:
                           1st Skill*:
                           2nd Skill*:
                           3rd Skill*:
SIP URI:
```

5.6. Configure Vector

To configure a vector, use the **change vector** n command, where n is the vector used during the adding the VDN. A simple vector is configured to queue calls to hunt group 21.

```
CALL VECTOR

Number: 21

Name: Spok Vector

Multimedia? n

Basic? y

EAS? y

G3V4 Enhanced? y

Variables? y

Variables? y

O1 wait-time

O2 queue-to

O3 wait-time

O4 goto step

O2

CALL VECTOR

Name: Spok Vector

Meet-me Conf? n

Lock? n

Lock? n

ASAI Routing? y

ASAI Routing? y

CINFO? y

BSR? y

Holidays? y

O1 wait-time

O3 wait-time

O3 wait-time

O4 goto step

O5
```

5.7. Configure Agent Extensions

Enter the **add agent-loginID** n command, where n is an available extension according to the dial plan. This extension will be used by MediCall to log onto ACD. During the compliance test, two agent extensions were added, 12031 and 12032. On **Page 1**, specify a name of the agent.

```
add agent-loginID 12031
                                                           Page
                                                                  1 of
                               AGENT LOGINID
               Login ID: 12031
                                            Unicode Name? n AAS? n
                   Name: Medicall Agent 1
                                                            AUDIX? n
                    TN: 1 Check skill TNs to match agent TN? n
                    COR: 1
          Coverage Path:
Security Code:
                                                     LWC Reception: spe
                                            LWC Log External Calls? n
          Attribute:
                                          AUDIX Name for Messaging:
                                      LoginID for ISDN/SIP Display? n
                                                         Password:
                                            Password (enter again):
                                                      Auto Answer: none
AUX Agent Remains in LOA Queue: system
                                                 MIA Across Skills: system
AUX Agent Considered Idle (MIA): system ACW Agent Considered Idle: system
            Work Mode on Login: system Aux Work Reason Code Type: system
                                           Logout Reason Code Type: system
                      Maximum time agent in ACW before logout (sec): system
                                          Forced Agent Logout Time: :
   WARNING: Agent must log in again before changes take effect
```

On **Page 2**, configure the Skill Number that was configured earlier in this document and specify a skill level.

add agent	-loginID	12031		Page	2 of 2
			AGENT LOGI	NID	
Dir	ect Agen	t Skill:		Service Obj	ective? n
Call Hand	lling Pre	ference: ski	ill-level	Local Call Pref	erence? n
SN	RL SL	SN	RL SL		
1: 21	1	16:	31:	46:	
2:		17:	32:	47:	
3:		18:	33:	48:	
4:		19:	34:	49:	

6. Configure Application Enablement Services

The AES server enables Computer Telephony Interface (CTI) applications to control and monitor telephony resources on Communication Manager.

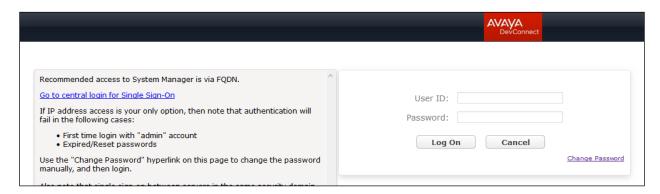
This section assumes that installation and basic administration of the AES server has been performed. The steps in this section describe the configuration of a Switch Connection, a CTI user, a DMCC port.

6.1. Device and Media Call Control API Station Licenses

The Spok MediCall Service instances appear as "virtual" stations/softphones to Communication Manager. Each of these virtual stations, hereafter called Device and Media Call Control API station, requires a license. Note that this is separate and independent of Avaya IP Softphone licenses, which are required for Avaya IP Softphones but not required for Device and Media Call Control API stations. To check and verify that there are sufficient DMCC licenses, log in to <a href="https://<IP address of the AES server>/index.jsp">https://<IP address of the AES server>/index.jsp, and enter appropriate login credentials to access the AES Management Console page.

Select the **Licensing WebLM Server Access** link from the left pane of the window (not shown). During the compliance testing, Avaya Aura System Manager was used as a license server.

Provide appropriate login credentials and log in.



Navigate to **Home** → **Licenses.** On the WebLM Home page, select **License Products** → **Application_Enablement** link from the left pane of the window.

On the Licensed Features page, verify that there are sufficient DMCC licenses.

Note: TSAPI licenses (1 per agent station) are also required if calls routed to agent stations via ACD. Without TSAPI licenses, the agents will not see the First Party Call Control (1PCC) calling party information. i.e., Calling Party Number.

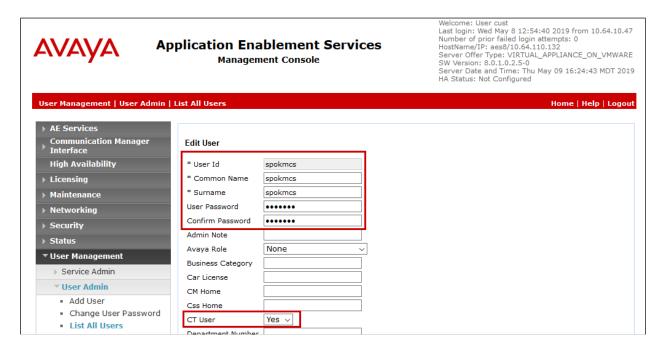
13 Items 😂 Show All 🗸		
Feature (License Keyword)	Expiration date	Licensed
Device Media and Call Control VALUE_AES_DMCC_DMC	permanent	1000
AES ADVANCED LARGE SWITCH VALUE_AES_AEC_LARGE_ADVANCED	permanent	8
AES HA LARGE VALUE_AES_HA_LARGE	permanent	8
AES ADVANCED MEDIUM SWITCH VALUE_AES_AEC_MEDIUM_ADVANCED	permanent	8
Unified CC API Desktop Edition VALUE_AES_AEC_UNIFIED_CC_DESKTOP	permanent	1000
CVLAN ASAI VALUE_AES_CVLAN_ASAI	permanent	8
AES HA MEDIUM VALUE_AES_HA_MEDIUM	permanent	8
AES ADVANCED SMALL SWITCH VALUE_AES_AEC_SMALL_ADVANCED	permanent	8
DLG VALUE_AES_DLG	permanent	8
TSAPI Simultaneous Users VALUE_AES_TSAPI_USERS	permanent	1000
CVLAN Proprietary Links VALUE_AES_PROPRIETARY_LINKS	permanent	8
		SmallSer s8300c;s

6.2. Configure the CTI Users

Navigate to **User Management** → **User Admin** → **Add User** link from the left pane of the window. On the Add User page, provide the following information:

- User Id
- Common Name
- Surname
- User Password
- Confirm Password

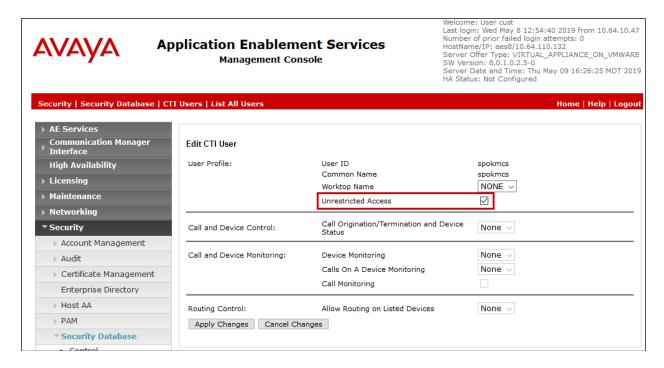
Select **Yes** using the drop down menu on the CT User field. This enables the user as a CTI user. Default values may be used in the remaining fields. Click the **Apply** button (not shown) at the bottom of the screen to complete the process.



The above information (User ID and User Password) must match with the information configured in the Spok MediCall Configuration page in **Section 7**.

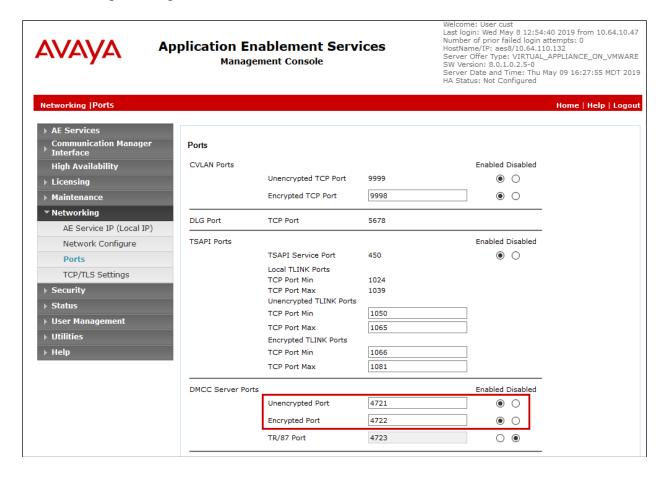
Once the user is created, navigate to the **Security → Security Database → CTI Users → List All Users** link from the left pane of the window. Select the User ID created previously, and click the **Edit** button to set the permission of the user (not shown).

Provide the user with unrestricted access privileges by checking the **Unrestricted Access** checkbox. Click on the **Apply Changes** button.



6.3. Configure the DMCC Port

Navigate to the **Networking** → **Ports** link, from the left pane of the window, to set the DMCC server port. During the compliance test, the default port values were utilized. The following screen displays the default port values. Both **Unencrypted** and **Encrypted Port** were used during the compliance test. Click the **Apply Changes** button (not shown) at the bottom of the screen to complete the process.



7. Configure Spok MediCall

Spok installs, configures, and customizes the MediCall applications for their end customers. Spok MediCall integrates with Spok CTI Layer, which is a middleware between Spok MediCall and AES, to control and monitor the phone states. Thus, only the Spok CTI layer will be discussed in these Application Notes.

Note: Avaya phones as the network supplier for the agent workstations is not supported by Spok. Agent workstations should have its own network connection, separate from Avaya phones.

The following shows the **Spok AES CTI Services Setup** page. Provide the following information:

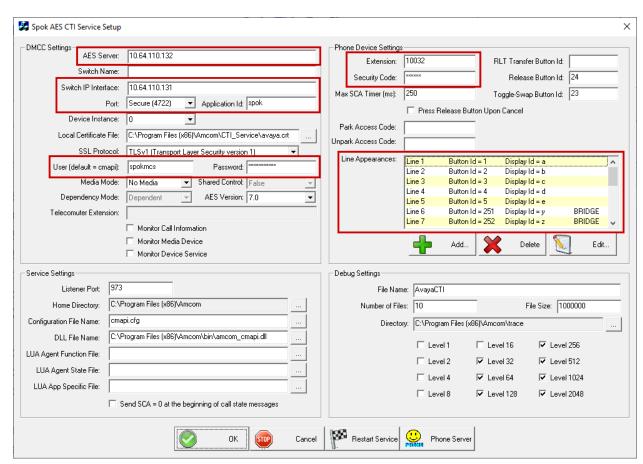
Under DMCC Settings

- **AES Server** Enter the IP address of AES.
- **Switch IP Address** Enter the procr IP address of Communication Manager.
- **Port** Enter the port utilized during the compliance test.
- User Enter the user name created for MediCall from Section 6.2.
- **Password** Enter the password created for MediCall from **Section 6.2**.

<u>Under Phone Device Settings</u>

- Extension: Enter the extension that will be controlled by MediCall from Section 5.3.
- **Security Code**: Enter the security code for the controlled station from **Section 5.3**.
- **Release Button** Enter the Release button assigned for the controlled station from **Section 5.3**.
- Line Appearances Configure line appearances as per Section 5.3.

Note: There were two MediCall consoles used during the compliance tests. Though, the screen capture below shows DMCC Port as Secure for this MediCall console, another Medicall console was configured as Unsecure.



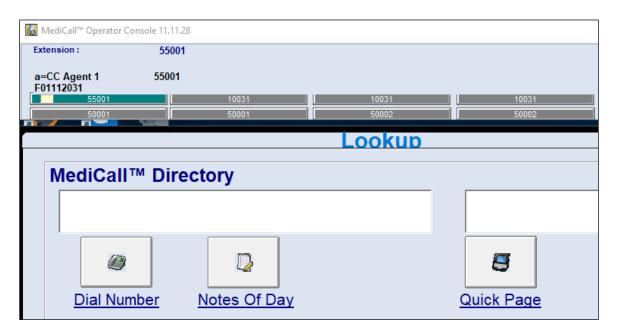
8. Verification Steps

The following steps may be used to verify the configuration:

- From the Spok client computers, ping IP interfaces, in particular the AES server, and verify connectivity.
- For the physical IP telephones, verify that the physical telephones are registered by using the **list registered-ip-stations** command on the SAT.
- Verify MediCall is successfully connected to AES via AES Management console.
 Navigate to Status → Status and Control → DMCC Service Summary. Verify the State of MediCall user is REGISTERED.



 Place and answer calls from the controlled telephones manually and using MediCall to verify consistency.



9. Conclusion

These Application Notes described a compliance-tested configuration comprised of Communication Manager, AES, Avaya IP endpoints, and the Spok MediCall application. Spok MediCall allows a user to operate a physical telephone and view call and telephone display information through a graphical user interface (GUI). During compliance testing, calls were successfully placed to and from Avaya IP endpoints that were controlled and monitored by the Spok MediCall application.

10. Additional References

Product documentation for Avaya products may be found at http://support.avaya.com. [1] *Administering Avaya Aura*® *Communication Manager, Release 7.0.1, 03-300509, Issue 2, May 2016.*

[2] Administering Avaya Aura® Avaya Aura® Application Enablement Services, Release 7.0.1, Issue 2, May 2016.

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