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Background

- Degraded network
 - HR-BS breakdown
 - Failure of network connectivity
- Self-healing for degraded network
 - Multi-mode operation
 - MS-MS Direct communication
 - Standalone network
 - Etc.

Multi-mode operation

- Multi-function HR-BS
 - -BS mode
 - -RS mode
 - Only RS function
 - RS function for backhaul link + BS function
- Multi-function HR-MS
 - MS mode
 - BS mode: BS function + MS function
 - RS mode: RS function + MS function

Relay function for HR-BS

- Operation scenarios
 - Breakdown in wired backbone connectivity
- Technical issues
 - Channel monitoring & report
 - Frame structure for RS mode of HR-BS
 - Similar to HR-RS frame structure
 - Signaling for RS mode change of HR-BS
 - Modified RS NE procedures
 - Connection management of subordinate HR-MSs
 - Group handover, callback handover, etc.

BS function for HR-MS

- Operation scenarios
 - Breakdown of BS; in the absence of neighbor BS
 - Out of coverage



– Temporary network construction for PPDR mission



- Self Cell Configuration without infrastructure node
 - Selecting a HR-MS acting as BS
 - Dynamic role change
 - Interference mitigation
 - Network merge & separate
 - Etc.

RS function for HR-MS

- Operation scenarios
 - Breakdown of BS; neighbor BSs
 - BS coverage/capacity extension for disaster relief



- Technical issues
 - Method of selecting HR-MS acting as RS
 - Signaling for RS mode change of HR-MS
 - Method of data relaying in multi-mode HR-MS
 - HR-MS discovery procedure
 - Etc.

Text proposal for SRD as an Annex

Annex C: Protocol Structure

Annex C.1 IEEE 802.16n Protocol Structure

- Multi-Mode Management: Indicates a block which supports multi-mode operation meeting the requirements described in Section 6.1.1.

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