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## CSfC Independent Layer Approval

(U) NSA has reviewed Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd's claims of Implementation Independence which documents similarities and differences between the products listed below:

- (1) Samsung Galaxy Devices on Android 9, Android 9 Fall, and Android 10 Spring Platform Encryption (PE) hardware modules
- (2) Samsung Knox File Encryption (FE) 1.0 and 1.2

(U) NSA has determined that sufficient independence exists between these two sets of products. This Commercial Solutions for Classified (CSfC) Independent Layer Approval letter allows CSfC Data at Rest Capability Package (DAR CP) solutions to be registered with the CSfC Program Management Office when a product selected from (1) and (2) are used as the following components, respectively: Platform Encryption (PE) and File Encryption (FE).

(U) This approval constitutes compliance with the DAR-PS-3 and DAR-PS-5 requirements of the CSfC DAR CP v4.0. This approval is limited to those products from (1) and (2) that are validated in accordance with the requirements of the NIAP program and listed in the appropriate categories on the CSfC Components List. Unless otherwise revised or revoked, this Approval is valid for three (3) years, providing these products remain NIAP validated and active of the CSfC Components List.



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