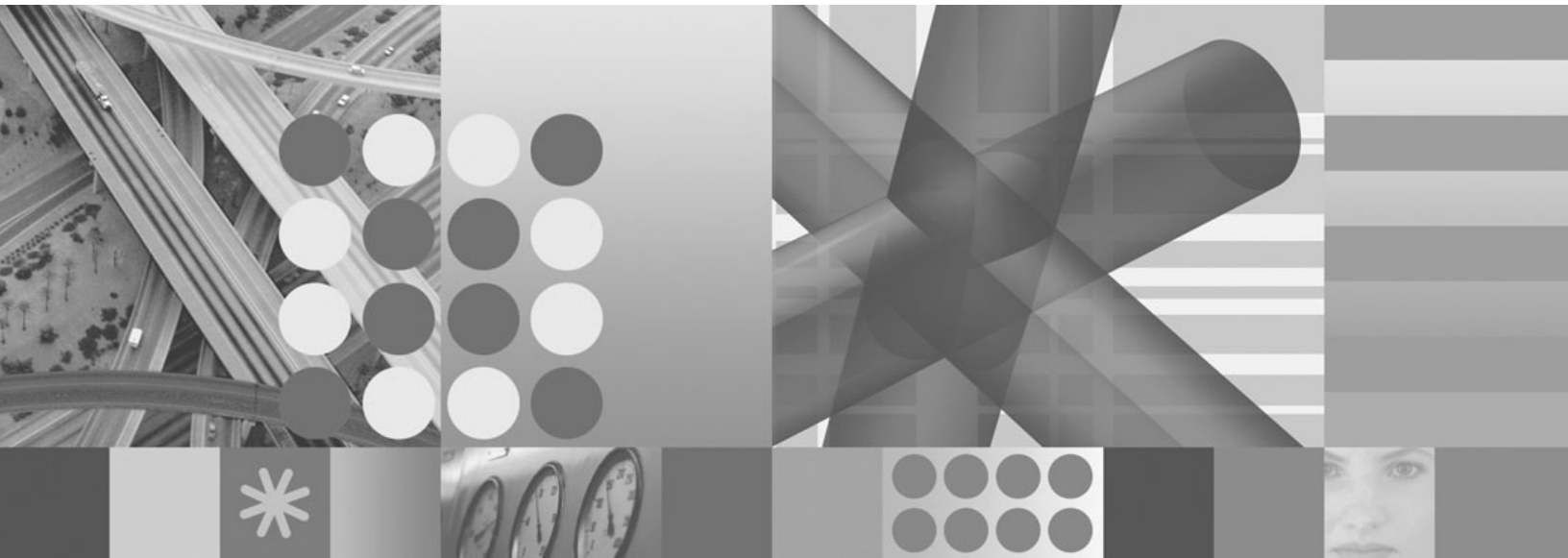




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- Operate specific or equivalent features using only the keyboard
- Customize display attributes such as color, contrast, and font size

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## Keyboard navigation of the user interface

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## z/OS information

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## About This Book

This book describes how to customize and operate CICS® Automation. CICS Automation provides a simple and consistent way to monitor and control all of the CICS regions, both local and remote, within your organization. This automates, simplifies, and standardizes console operations and the management of component, application, and production related tasks.

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## Who Should Use This Book

This book is intended for the following users:

- System programmers, system designers, and application designers who will automate CICS using CICS Automation.

For these users, all three parts of the book are of interest.

Installing and customizing CICS Automation requires a programmer's understanding of NetView®, CICS, SA z/OS, and CICS Automation, because most of the definitions are done in these programs. Also, you will modify JCL, command lists, and programs for some of the automation functions.

- Operators and administrators who manage and monitor CICS subsystems.

These users mainly need part 1 and part 3.

For operators, a working knowledge of CICS will be assumed.

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## What's in This Book

This book contains the following:

### **Part 1, "Introducing CICS Automation"**

Explains the concepts of SA z/OS and describes the functions of CICS Automation.

### **Part 2, "Customizing CICS Automation"**

Describes the customization of CICS Automation and contains reference sections for MESSAGES policy items and for the programming interface.

### **Part 3, "Using CICS Automation"**

Describes the operator interface of CICS Automation.

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### **The System Automation for z/OS Library**

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<i>IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS User's Guide</i>	SC33-8263
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(SK3T4271) and use it from the resulting Windows graphical user interface (GUI). The command prompt (also known as the DOS > command line) version can still be used from the directory in which you install the Windows version of LookAt.

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## Part 1. Introducing CICS Automation

This part describes the concepts of SA z/OS, including some NetView-related information, and gives an overview of the functions provided by CICS Automation.



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## Chapter 1. Functions of CICS Automation

CICS Automation is integrated into SA z/OS. Thus, CICS regions must be generated in the policy database as subsystems by linking CICS applications to systems, in order to be available to CICS Automation. Triggers and service periods for CICS regions are also defined as for any other application.

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### Link Monitoring

CICS communicates with other systems or subsystems using either intersystem communication (ISC) or interregion communication (IRC). Link monitoring verifies that the IRCs and ISCs are active. This is done by issuing CEMT INQUIRE at certain intervals to check the status of these connections. When a link failure is detected, link monitoring will perform automatic recovery actions.

Basic link monitoring only ensures that the link is active on the origin subsystem. With the echo facility, you can also control the remote subsystem at the other end of the link. This facility is supported for links to CICS and IMS™.

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### Health Checking

Through health checking, you execute programs that check the state of certain components of an application running under CICS. CICS Automation initiates a health check program by sending a request across the program-to-program interface to CICS. CICS invokes the program, and sends back an Acknowledgement (ACK), indicating that the program executed as expected; or it sends a Negative Acknowledgement (NACK), indicating that the program did not execute as expected. A NACK includes data describing the error. Up to ten health check programs can be associated with any CICS application that is defined to SA z/OS.

Health check routines are usually executed automatically at timed intervals. When CICS Automation receives an abnormal response from CICS (NACK) or when a timeout occurs, CICS Automation sends out notification messages.

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### State/Action Tables

The AT contains instructions on what to do when certain messages are sent to NetView. Here the action to be taken only depends on one event (the message).

There are, however, cases where not only the actual event, but also previous events must be taken into consideration in order to determine the necessary action. Assume, for example, that a CICS subsystem reports that its storage supply is back to normal. If the preceding message had reported a storage shortage and this had triggered certain actions, these actions will have to be revoked; if, however, no error message had occurred before, the actual message should simply be ignored.

To meet this requirement, resources are associated with a *state*. When an event, usually a message, occurs that is relevant for the resource in question, the action to be taken is inferred not only from the event, but also from the actual state of the resource; that is, the same event can lead to different actions, depending on the state. Also, the state of the resource will usually be changed on account of the event and the previous state. The current state reflects the history of the resource.

State/Action Tables serve to define such a state-dependent event processing. They form a two-dimensional matrix, where the rows correspond to the possible events (messages) and the columns to the possible states. The individual cells specify the action to take and the new state in the case that the respective event occurs when the resource is in the respective state.

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## Recovery

You can automate recovery for transactions and for certain problems. Transaction recovery can be automated globally and for individual transactions. This is achieved by combining some of the basic functions of the product with CICS-specific policy items and several CICS-specific message IDs.

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## Program-to-Program Interface

NetView's program-to-program interface provides the ability to communicate between a NetView application and other address spaces on the same host, such as CICS and IMS. CICS Automation uses this program-to-program interface to:

- Initiate, from NetView, the execution of a CICS program.
- Process a response from this CICS program.
- From CICS initiate, the execution of a command list or command processor in NetView.
- Process a response from this command list or command processor.

There are CICS Automation program-to-program interface components in CICS as well as in NetView. Chapter 2, "Customizing CICS Automation," on page 9 provides you with step-by-step procedures that tell you how to install these components so that the interface can be implemented.

If you want to use the CICS Automation program-to-program interface code for your own purposes, refer to "CICS Automation and the Program-to-Program Interface," on page 75 for further information.

## NetView Components

There is an optional task (EVENTASK), an initialization member for this optional task, and command processors. The initialization member is described in "EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member" on page 16. The command processors are described in "EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface" on page 83, and "EVESNRSP - Common Response Handler from CICS" on page 88.

## CICS Components

There is a long-running transaction COPC, as well as start and stop transactions to start and stop the CICS program-to-program interface component; there is also a subroutine which is described in "EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface" on page 89, and an initialization member which is described in "EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member" on page 15.

## Communication Components

An ID (RECEIVERID) is defined at both ends of the program-to-program interface, so CICS Automation knows which NetView to sign on to. This RECEIVERID is contained in the initialization members described above. The VTAM<sup>®</sup> applid is

used by CICS to sign on to the program-to-program interface. NetView determines which applid relates to which subsystem from the **APPLid** field of the CICS CONTROL policy item.

The CICS Automation program-to-program interface cannot function if the RECEIVERIDs in the initialization members do not match, or if the VTAM applid of the **APPLid** field of the CICS CONTROL policy item does not match the VTAM applid. The customization sections describe how to define the RECEIVERID and the VTAM applid.

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## CICS Message Processing

SA z/OS can only automate messages that are issued via WTO. Most CICS system messages that are important are WTO'd. However, there are many CICS messages that are only logged to the CICS external log. Some of these messages may be useful in automation situations. To enable SA z/OS to process these messages, exits are installed to WTO messages that would not be WTO'd by CICS.

**Note:**

Only CICS messages that are *not* WTO'd by CICS are processed.

Messages that would be WTO'd by CICS by default can be specified in the exit policy, however the exit will take no actions for these messages. More specifically, it will not suppress a message that CICS has already determined to send to the console via WTO.

In addition, user code might produce messages that are written to CICS Transient Destination Queues. Some of these messages might be of interest in automation situations. SA z/OS installs an exit to WTO these messages.

**Note:**

To avoid duplication, *no* messages starting with "DFH" are checked in the Transient Destination Exit. Such messages are handled by the Message Exit.





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## Part 2. Customizing CICS Automation

This part describes how to customize and set up CICS Automation. It also contains reference information for CICS-specific MESSAGES keywords and for common routines which request information or perform tasks associated with CICS Automation.



## Chapter 2. Customizing CICS Automation

This chapter explains how to customize NetView, CICS and SA z/OS for CICS Automation. The customization consists of the following steps:

1. Define CICS Automation to CICS.
2. CICS Automation definitions in NetView. In this step you define the policy objects in the SA z/OS policy database that are necessary for CICS Automation.

### CICS Automation Definitions

For the definitions to be made in NetView, refer to *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Planning and Installation*.

To show you what kind of definitions you need in the policy database, SA z/OS comes with an add-on sample policy database named \*CICS (see Figure 1). It provides you with a number of sample classes and instances of entry type APL that model CICS applications. Use these samples as a guideline in defining your CICS Automation policies.

- The names of the APL classes in \*CICS have the prefix CLASS\_CICS\_
- The names of the APL instances in \*CICS have the prefix CICS

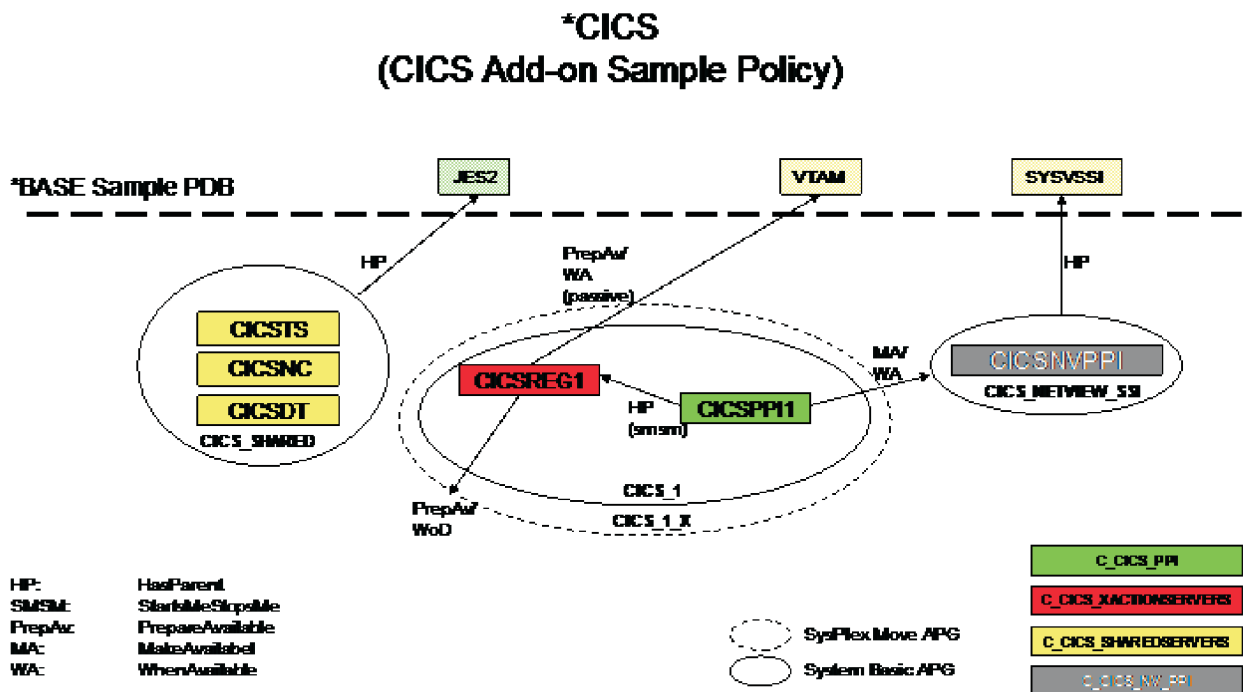


Figure 1. \*CICS Add-On Sample Policy Database

CICS Shared Counter subsystems may be automated. Sample classes can be found in the \*CICS sample PDB. The class name for Shared Counter subsystems is CLASS\_CICS\_SC.

## CICS Automation Definitions

CICS Shared Data Tables subsystems may be automated. Sample classes can be found in the \*CICS sample PDB. The class name for Shared Data Tables subsystems is CLASS\_CICS\_SD.

CICS Shared Temporary Storage subsystems may be automated. Sample classes can be found in the \*CICS sample PDB. The class name for Shared Temporary Storage subsystems is CLASS\_CICS\_ST.

### Step 1: Basic CICS Automation Common Policy Definitions

For each NetView domain, set up the CICS Automation environment according to the following list:

1. Verify that the system environment is defined as described in the SA z/OS documentation.
2. Make sure that the Automation Operators that are used for CICS are defined in the AOP entry type. The following entries (all delivered in the \*CICS add-on sample policy database) are required:

Automated Function	Operator ID	Message Classes
CICSMSTR	AUTCICS	EVE*
CICSCPPI	AUTCPPI	

3. Define sets of State/Action Tables in the CSA entry type as described in “How to Set Up the State/Action Tables” on page 24.

**Note:**

To find the CSA entry type, start by selecting the PRD entry type on the Entry Type Selection panel. This takes you to the Entry type selections for Product Automation shown in Figure 2, where the CSA entry type resides.

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MENU HELP
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AOFGEPOM      Entry type selections for Product Automation
Option ==>>> _____

IMS components
20 ISA      IMS State/Action
21 ISF      IMS Status file
22 IRN      IMS resource name

OPC components
30 OEN      OPC System details
31 OCS      Controller details
32 OSR      Special resources
33 ODM      Workstation domainID

CICS components
40 CSA      CICS State/Action
41 CCN      CICS Link
42 CVP      Monitoring period
```

Figure 2. Entry type selections for Product Automation Panel (to be found via entry type PRD)

4. Define link monitoring connections as follows:  
Step a. Create links in the CCN entry type (Figure 2).

- Step b. Create monitoring service periods in the CVP entry type (Figure 2 on page 10).
- Step c. Associate monitoring service periods with connections in the MONITORING PERIOD policy item of the CCN entry type.

## Step 2: Basic CICS Application Definitions

For each CICS application, set up the CICS Automation specifications in the customization dialogs according to the following list:

1. Specify the basic information for the CICS applications (APL entry type). The **Application Type** field of the **Define New Entry** panel must be set to CICS for CICS applications.
2. Check the CICS CONTROL policy item and enter any required values. You must specify a values for the APPLid field.
3. Specify the automation flags in the AUTOMATION FLAGS policy item.
4. Specify the thresholds of the application in the THRESHOLDS policy item.
5. Specify the startup commands in the STARTUP policy item. Note that the possible startup types depend on the CICS version as follows:

Start Type	Explanation	Valid for
AUTO	Uses the restart data set to determine the startup type.	All releases
COLD	Initiates a cold start.	All releases
INITIAL	Initiates a cold start with additional processing for CICS TS resources.	CICS TS V1R1 and above
LOGTERM	Initiates a startup, and then a shutdown as soon as the startup is complete.	Pre CICS TS V1R1
NORM	This is the same as AUTO.	
STANDBY	Initiates a start for an XRF backup.	All releases

6. Specify the shutdown commands in the SHUTDOWN policy item.
7. Link the application to the required CICS STATE ACTION (CSA) policy object in the STATE ACTION policy item..
8. If you want to use service periods or triggers, link these to the application in the SERVICE PERIOD or TRIGGER policy item.
9. If you want to use link monitoring, link the application to a CICS connection (CCN) policy object in the CICS CONNECTION policy item.
10. Specify the ACORESTART keyword in the MESSAGES/USER DATA item of the APPLICATION policy object. The command associated with this keyword must be CICSRSYC, see “CICSRSYC—CICS Resync” on page 47.
11. If you want to use the health check function, specify the HEALTHCHK keyword in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item. For details, see “HEALTHCHK—Health Checking” on page 37.
12. Review the supplied CICS sample classes and instances for the message keywords described in “CICS-Specific MESSAGES/USER DATA Keywords” on page 33. Customize these entries as required.
13. If you need thresholds for the RCVR SOS or RCVRTRAN (RCVRTRAN.*tranid*) message keywords (see “CICS-Specific MESSAGES/USER DATA Keywords” on page 33 for these keywords), define resource thresholds for them with the names of SOS or TRAN (TRAN.*tranid*) in the CICS-specific RESOURCE THRESHOLDS policy item. For more details on recovery, see “Automating Recovery For Transactions” on page 21.

## Step 3 (Optional): Modifications to Program-to-Program Interface Initialization

### Step 3a (Optional): Member EVENTASK

This member defines the name of the PPI receiver in NetView for requests from CICS, the default buffer queue limit, and the names and programs of the requests to be executed in NetView. The defaults as specified in this member will work for most installations. If you want to change any of the parameters, see “EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member” on page 16 for details.

### Step 3b (Optional): Member EVESPINM

A sample member is delivered in SINGSRC (see “EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member” on page 15 for details). It only needs to be modified if:

- The RECEIVERID is changed. This value must be the same as the value defined in “Step 3 (Optional): Modifications to Program-to-Program Interface Initialization.”
- You are using the program-to-program interface for your own transactions.

In these cases, do the following:

1. Edit EVESPINM. USERID=YES means that CICS security checking is required, USERID=NO means that CICS security checking is not required.
2. Assemble the program-to-program interface initialization member.
3. Place the assembled member in one of the libraries in the CICS DFHRPL chain.

## Step 4: Installing CICSplex SM REXX API

To manage CICSplex<sup>®</sup> SM CMAS address spaces the CPSM REXX API is required. This can be installed in NetView by adding the CICSplex SM library SEYUAUTH before the library that contains module IRXFLOC. If there are no existing IRXFLOC modules the library can be placed at the end of the //STEPLIB concatenation.

Alternatively, module IRXFLOC can be customized according to the instructions in the section “Installing the REXX function package” in manual *CICS Transaction Server for z/OS Installation Guide*.

## Step 5: Health Check Programs

**Note:** This step assumes that the health check routines have already been written and that you know the transaction name, program name, and language of each of them. If you need more information, read “How to Set Up Health Checking” on page 26 before performing this step.

If you want to use the health check feature, define the program name and language for each health check routine (there can be up to ten for each CICS subsystem) as follows:

```
DEFINE PROGRAM(program) LANGUAGE(language)
```

**Note:** The program name must correspond to a program name defined in the **Data** field in the HEALTHCHK keyword in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item message ID for the respective subsystem. For more information on HEALTHCHK, see “HEALTHCHK—Health Checking” on page 37.

## Step 6: Echoplex Back-End Programs

Echoplexing can be implemented for target subsystems of subtype IMS or CICS. For IMS target subsystems, no installation is required.

For CICS target subsystems, install the back-end echoplex program (delivered in SINGMOD1) to the remote systems as follows:

```
DEFINE TRANSACTION(ECHO) PROGRAM(EVESYCB7)
```

**Note:** The transaction name ECHO may be changed for your installation. Whatever name is used, it must be specified in the **Echo** field of the CICS LINK policy object (CCN entry type) that is associated with the corresponding subsystem in the policy database. See *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

## Step 7: Security Considerations

If you want to use non-terminal transaction security, refer to the *CICS Release Guide* for CICS-specific information about non-terminal transaction security and the security manager domain.

1. Define all NetView operators which will invoke CICS functions defined to RACF® (or your SAF-compliant security system). This will include:
  - Regular NetView operators
  - NetView autotasks which perform CICS-related actions. These autotasks include autotasks specifically defined for CICS Automation use, and may include the autotasks which process shutdown functions or resynchronization functions.
2. Define SAF surrogate authorization for CICS. Since CICS Automation is started from the PLTPI, surrogate authorization for the PLTPIUSR is recommended for all CICS Automation NetView users. Define surrogate profile types of DFHINSTL for PLTPI processing and DFHSTART for normal-started task processing.
3. Define TCICSTRN profiles for all the transactions which will use non-terminal transaction security. The following transactions are supplied with CICS Automation:

COHO	COHR
COPC	CORL
COPP	COLO
COPS	COLR
COMC	COLC
COMT	COLE

4. Connect the NetView operators to the CICS resources which they need to access, such as transactions, programs, and files. This connection is done through your SAF security manager (such as RACF).
5. Enable non-terminal transaction security in CICS by modifying the CICS SIT to specify XTRAN=YES and XUSER=YES.
6. Modify PLTPIUSR and PLTPISEC as required.

If you do want to use the non-terminal transaction security in CICS, disable this function in CICS Automation by modifying the EVESPINM member and specifying USERID=N0 to disable extended support. Reassemble the member using sample job EVESJ020.

### Step 8: Define a NetView PPI Receiver Task

A PPI receiver is required to allow CICS subsystems to communicate with NetView. The CICS Automation functions "Link Monitoring," "Health Checking," "Startup," and "CICS Resynchronization" all use this interface. This is a required step and must be done for correct automation of a CICS subsystem.

The \*CICS add-on contains sample subsystems and classes to help complete this step. The subsystem CICS\_SA\_PPI\_RCV is a subsystem definition that is pre-configured to perform the startup and shutdown of the PPI receiver task. If you wish to use it, check that the relationships match any changes you might have made to supporting resource names.

### Step 9: Define a CICS PPI Receiver Task

A PPI receiver is required to allow NetView to communicate with CICS subsystems. This is an optional step. It enables operator control of the PPI receivers in each CICS subsystem.

**Note:** A CICS PPI subsystem may be defined for any CICS subsystem for which the operator wishes to start or stop the PPI receivers in the CICS address space.

The \*CICS add-on contains sample subsystems and classes to help complete this step. The subsystem CLASS CLASS\_CICS\_PPI is a class definition that is pre-configured to perform the startup and shutdown of the PPI receiver task in the CICS address space.

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## Definition Members

The definition members are:

#### **"EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member" on page 15.**

This member is used on the CICS side of the program-to-program interface to:

1. Set the program-to-program interface buffer queue limit. This is the number of outstanding buffers that can be stored in the receiver buffer queue.
2. Define the program-to-program interface receiver identifier for the EVESNPPI NetView subtask program.
3. Provide the identifier of the console on which the long-running COPC transaction is started.
4. Define the relationships between function names and CICS transaction names.

#### **"EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member" on page 16**

This member is used on the NetView side of the program-to-program interface to:

1. Set the program-to-program interface buffer queue limit. This is the number of outstanding buffers that can be stored in the receiver buffer queue.
2. Define request programs and autotasks to be used for specific functions.
3. Define response programs and autotasks to be used for specific functions.



4. Define the program-to-program interface receiver identifier for the EVESNPPI NetView subtask program.

## EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member

This member is used on the CICS side of the program-to-program interface to:

1. Set the program-to-program interface buffer queue limit. This is the number of outstanding buffers that can be stored in the receiver buffer queue.
2. Define the program-to-program interface receiver identifier for the EVESNPPI NetView subtask program.
3. Provide the identifier of the console on which the long-running COPC transaction is started.
4. Define the relationships between function names and CICS transaction names.

**Note:** There is a corresponding initialization member on the NetView side. See “EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member” on page 16.

A sample for this member is delivered in the SINGSAMP data set.

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### TYPE=

Indicates the type of entry this is. Valid types are:

<b>INITIAL</b>	The first EVESPINM type specified. Only one INITIAL entry can be specified.
<b>ENTRY</b>	This type associates a function with a CICS transaction.
<b>FINAL</b>	Indicates that this is the final entry. Only one FINAL entry can be specified.

#### BUFFQL=

Specifies the buffer queue limit for the CICS receiver side of the program-to-program interface to NetView. A minimum value of 1 and a maximum value of 15 can be specified. If this keyword is omitted, a default value of 3 is assumed. This keyword is only valid with TYPE=INITIAL.

#### RECEIVERID=

Specifies the identifier of the NetView receiver. If this keyword is omitted, NETVCPPI is assumed. This keyword is only valid with TYPE=INITIAL.

#### USERID=[YES | NO]

Specifies that the transaction will be invoked with the NetView user ID that invoked the PPI process. The default is NO.

#### CONSOLE=

Specifies the 1- to 4-character terminal identifier of the console on which the long-running COPC transaction is started. If this specification is omitted, COPC is started without a terminal. This keyword is only valid with TYPE=INITIAL.

#### FUNCTION=

The name of the function to be executed. The function name can be from 1 to 8 characters and must not start with the characters EVE.

#### TRANSID=

The name of the CICS transaction associated with this function. This transaction will be executed when the function is requested.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. A function name may not start with EVE.
2. EVESPINM must be link-edited into one of the CICS DFHRPL libraries.
3. At least one valid TYPE=ENTRY must be specified.
4. There must be a TYPE=ENTRY definition for each function that uses the CICS Automation program-to-program interface. The corresponding NetView side initialization member entry looks like this:  
SERVER=RESPONSE,CEMT,AUTCPPI,EVESNRSP  
where CEMT is the function.
5. If you are running CICS Automation in more than one NetView domain on the same MVS™ system, then you need to provide unique RECEIVERIDs in this member. This must also be changed in the corresponding NetView program-to-program interface initialization member. See “EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member,” which explains where the matching RECEIVERID is changed for that member.

### EVENTASK—NetView PPI Initialization Member

This member is used on the NetView side of the program-to-program interface to:

1. Set the program-to-program interface buffer queue limit. This is the number of outstanding buffers that can be stored in the receiver buffer queue.
2. Define request programs and autotasks to be used for specific functions.
3. Define response programs and autotasks to be used for specific functions.
4. Define the program-to-program interface receiver identifier for the EVESNPPI NetView subtask program.

**Note:** There is a corresponding initialization member on the CICS side. See “EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member” on page 15.

A sample for this member is delivered in the SINGSAMP data set.

The following is an example of the information contained in the EVENTASK program-to-program interface initialization member:

#### Format

```
BUFFQL=20
SERVER=REQUEST,LMT,AUTCPPI,EVEEYPPS
SERVER=RESPONSE,CEMT,AUTCPPI,EVESNRSP
SERVER=RESPONSE,LMT,AUTCPPI,EVESNRSP
SERVER=REQUEST,NACK,AUTCPPI,EVESNACK
SERVER=RESPONSE,NACK,AUTCPPI,EVESNACK
RECEIVERID=NETVCPPI
```

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### BUFFQL

This is a 2- or 3-digit numeric value. The minimum value is 10 and the maximum is 999. If this entry is omitted, a value of 15 is assumed.

#### SERVER=

These entries define:

1. Whether this function is a REQUEST or a RESPONSE. A REQUEST is used to identify a receiver program to be invoked if NetView gets a CONVERSE or SEND from CICS. A RESPONSE is used to identify a sender program to be invoked if CICS sends a RESPONSE. See “EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface” on page 89.

2. The function, such as LMT (link monitor) or CEMT.
3. The operator ID under which the program runs, for example, AUTCPPI.
4. The command list or command processor used for this function, such as EVEEYPPS (the receiver program for LMT functions from CICS) and EVESNRSP (the common response handler).

**RECEIVERID=**

The program-to-program interface receiver identifier for the NetView side program-to-program interface subtask program. If omitted, NETVCPPI is assumed.

**Comments and Usage Notes**

1. A function name may not start with EVE.
2. At least one valid SERVER must be specified.
3. There must be a SERVER entry for each function that uses the CICS Automation program-to-program interface. The corresponding CICS side initialization member entry looks like this:  

```

EVEMPINM TYPE=ENTRY,      DEFINE A FUNCTION
        FUNCTION=LMT,      FUNCTION NAME
        TRANSID=COLR       TRANSACTION NAME

```
4. If you are running CICS Automation in more than one NetView domain on the same MVS system, then you need to provide unique RECEIVERIDs in this member. This must also be changed in the corresponding CICS program-to-program interface initialization member EVESPINM. See “EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member” on page 15.

**CICS Automation Definitions for CICSplex System Manager (CPSM)**

This section helps you define CICSplex System Manager components to Automation.

**Automating Coordinating Address Space (CAS) Startup and Shutdown**

The CAS applications are not CICS systems. They should be defined in the policy database with application type STANDARD, not CICS.

**Automating CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) Startup and Shutdown**

The CMAS regions are CICS regions, and so they should be defined in the policy database with application type CICS. The CMAS regions execute only CICSplex SM code. (CICSplex SM recommends that only CICSplex code be run in CMAS regions. User transactions should not be run in CMAS regions.)

The Automation required to manage the CMAS regions is less than a normal CICS region because there is no need to have PPI and other CICS-monitoring functions. However, CMAS CICS regions need to be shut down via the CICSplex SM SHUTDOWN command. To allow CICS Automation to shutdown the CMAS, the CMASSHUT command is provided. Use it instead of the normal CICSSHUT command in the policy definition for CMAS regions.

**Note:** The use of CEMT PERFORM SHUTDOWN is not recommended for CMAS regions.

## CICS Automation Definitions for CICSplex System Manager (CPSM)

CPSM recommends that CMAS regions be started prior to MAS regions they manage. This can be achieved via relationships as supported by System Automation for z/OS.

### Using the CICS Automation Message Exit

To enable the CICS Message and Transient Data Queue exits to process messages, the messages must be defined in the Policy Database. The Messages/User Data policy is used to define the messages.

If there are no messages defined to use the exits, the exits are disabled. The exits are enabled when message or transient data policy is defined.

Message policy data is processed on a subsystem basis, however, you can put the policy information in a CLASS and link the class to the subsystems to save on data entry.

Each subsystem has its own policy and does not share policy information, except for CLASS information, with other subsystems. This means you can update the policy information for a subsystem or set of subsystems and not affect other subsystems.

### Defining CICS Messages

CICS messages that are not already WTO'd can be WTO'd by specifying the message in the Customization Dialog.

There are several special keywords that when added to the message via the USER policy will cause the message information to be loaded into the appropriate exit for processing. The keywords and their descriptions are:

Keyword	Description
OFFSET	This keyword is required to load the message into the exit. It specifies the word number in the message that represents the message ID. Its format is a single integer number.
INSERT	<p>This keyword specifies the matching Insert values for CICS messages. It is optional, but if present only messages that match the values specified will be WTO'd. Its format is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">▶—(—<i>number</i>—,—<i>value</i>—)—▶</p> <p>Where <i>number</i> is the insert number to be checked and <i>value</i> is the text to be checked.</p> <p>Inserts are described in the CICS messages manual for each of the messages that have them. The value specification is checked for the length specified. This allows for trailing data to be ignored. The format of the number is a single integer. The format for the value is a single alphanumeric word, no blanks or special characters are allowed. The CASE of the value is ignored.</p>

Keyword	Description
TDQUEUE	<p>This keyword specifies the matching Transient Data Queue. Do not specify DFH messages with a TDQUEUE value. The format of the data is a single alphanumeric word of up to 4 bytes in length. The specification of this keyword in a message policy will cause the message information to be matched against all messages written to the Transient Data Queue specified. If a match is made, the message may be WTO'd depending upon the other keywords that might be specified.</p>
TOKEN	<p>This keyword specifies the matching token values for user messages. It is optional, but if present only messages that match the values specified will be WTO'd. Its format is:</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;"> </div> <p>Where <i>number</i> is the word number to be checked and <i>value</i> is the text to be checked.</p> <p>Words are counted from the beginning of the message starting from 1. A word is considered to be a contiguous set of alphanumeric characters. All non-alpha-numeric characters are treated as delimiters. The value specification is checked for the length specified. This allows for trailing data to be ignored. The format of the number is a single integer. The format for the value is a single alphanumeric word, no blanks or special characters are allowed. The CASE of the value is ignored.</p>

To define a CICS message to be WTO'd do the following:

1. Specify the message id in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy.
2. Specify the OFFSET keyword in the USER part of the policy with a data value of 1.
3. Optionally specify the INSERT keyword in the USER part of the policy.
4. Specify AUTO policy or the CMD policy or both. The AUTO policy can be used to specify capture message or other automation functions. The CMD policy can be used to specify commands to execute when the message occurs.

To define a user message to be WTO'd from a Transient Data Queue, do the following:

1. Specify the message id in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy.
2. Specify the OFFSET keyword in the USER part of the policy with the data being the word number that the message id occurs at in the message.
3. Specify the TDQUEUE keyword in the USER part of the policy with the data being the name of the Transient Data Queue that the message is written on.
4. Optionally specify the TOKEN keyword in the USER part of the policy with the data being the words and their values to be matched.

### Refreshing Policy Data

To load the information into CICS address spaces issue the INGAMS REFRESH command. As a part of the ACF load, each CICS that had changes to MESSAGES/USER DATA policy will be reloaded with any changes. If you want to disable the exits, either delete the messages out of the policy or change the OFFSET keyword on every message to some other name, e.g. UFFSET, and re-build and re-load the ACF.

### Migration and Coexistence

This section contains information on coexistence and migration from all previous releases of System Automation Version 2 to Version 3 Release 1.

#### Migration

The general migration process is described in the “*Data Management*” chapter in *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

The major changes in this release from previous releases is:

- Exposing CICS messages via CICS exits XMEOUT and XDTOUT has changed significantly. Messages to be exposed are now defined in the Policy Database. This replaces the definition of messages in the EVESCMT3 and EVESCMT4 modules. See *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Planning and Installation* for installation instructions and “Using the CICS Automation Message Exit” on page 18 in this manual for customization.

#### Coexistence

This release will coexist with the following releases:

1. Version 2 Release 3

Note that the new Message Policy enhancements will not work with this release. The ACF produced should not cause any problems for this release, however the new function will be missing and any messages defined with Version 3 Release 1 keywords will be tolerated, and the new keywords will be ignored.

2. Version 2 Release 2

Note that the new Message Policy enhancements will not work with this release. The ACF produced should not cause any problems for this release, however the new function will be missing and any messages defined with Version 3 Release 1 keywords will be tolerated, and the new keywords will be ignored.

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## Chapter 3. How to Set Up the Functions of CICS Automation

This chapter explains how to set up the functions of CICS Automation for your specific needs. For the setup of base functions, for example, starting and stopping subsystems, see the SA z/OS documentation.

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### Automating Recovery For Transactions

CICS Automation provides automated recovery for short-on-storage conditions.

You can control automated recovery through the following policy items of the APPLICATION object:

#### MINOR RESOURCE FLAGS

With these flags, you can switch automated recovery on and off for transactions or for a certain problem area. To do this, define a minor resource and set its **Recovery** flag as required. For the definition of minor resources, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*. The names of these minor resources must be as follows:

Problem area	Minor resource name
Short-on-storage conditions	SOS
Transaction recovery	TRAN[.trans_id]

For transaction recovery, you can also define second-level minor resources by suffixing TRAN with the transaction name. The recovery flag of the TRAN minor resource applies to all transactions of the respective application; TRAN.trans\_id only applies to the trans\_id transaction. The transaction-specific recovery flag overrides the general TRAN flag.

When no minor resources are defined, CICS Automation acts according to the recovery setting of the application (AUTOMATION FLAGS policy item). When no second-level minor resource is defined for a transaction, the TRAN minor resource is applied. If that does not exist either, the application setting is applied. You only need to define minor resources when the recovery setting for a lower level is to be different from the next higher level.

#### RESOURCE THRESHOLDS

With this CICS-specific policy item, you determine the threshold at which recovery should stop. This threshold is defined by the number of errors within a certain time interval. As with the recovery flags, you must associate the threshold definition with the transaction/problem area by giving it one of the names listed in the table in "Minor resource flags"; you can also specify thresholds for a single transaction.

#### MESSAGES/USER DATA

For every recovery type, there are one or more keywords that are used to specify how recovery is to proceed. These keywords are:

Problem area	Keywords
Short-on-storage conditions	RCVRSOS (see page 39)
Transaction recovery	ABCODETRAN (see page 35 ), RCVRTRAN (see page 40)

## Automating Recovery For Transactions

Transaction recovery is the most complex of these recovery types. Therefore this type is used to explain recovery configuration in more detail.

### How to Define Transaction Recovery

Customization of transaction recovery consists of:

1. Identifying the transactions that will have recovery automation.
2. Identifying the error threshold level when recovery should be stopped.
3. Identifying specific abend codes when you want recovery procedures to take place (there are probably several that you would want to ignore).
4. Specifying the recovery procedure, which usually consists of invoking a command, a routine, and/or sending notification to an operator.

The recovery itself is typically triggered from the AT by calling the EVEERTRN routine when certain messages arrive at NetView. EVEERTRN then consults the ACF in order to learn what it has to do for recovery.

The following sections illustrate the configuration process by an example.

#### Specifying the Transactions to be Recovered

If recovery is enabled for the CICS1 application on the application level, and you want to enable it also for transactions PAYR, DBTS, and BLNG, but not for any other transaction, you must define four minor resources for CICS1 in the customization dialogs:

- TRAN
- TRAN.BLNG
- TRAN.DBTS
- TRAN.PAYR

Set the recovery automation flag to NO for TRAN and to YES for the three second level minor resources. For more information, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

#### Defining Recovery Thresholds

You can specify that recovery is to be stopped when the number of abends within a certain time interval reaches a certain threshold. To do this, define thresholds in the CICS-specific RESOURCE THRESHOLDS item of the APPLICATION policy object. The thresholds must have the name TRAN or TRAN.*tranid*, where the values of the TRAN thresholds will be used for all transactions *tranid* for which no TRAN.*tranid* thresholds exist. The **Critical** value of the thresholds will be used.

If you want to stop recovery specifically for PAYR if two or more abends occur within one hour, you must enter the values on the Thresholds Definitions panel as follows:

Resource	----- Levels -----					
	Critical		Frequent		Infrequent	
	Number	Interval (hh:mm)	Number	Interval (hh:mm)	Number	Interval (hh:mm)
CICS1.TRAN.PAYR	<u>2</u>	<u>01:00</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>05:00</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>24:00</u>

Figure 3. Thresholds Definitions Panel



For more details, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

### Selecting the Abend Codes

The abend codes for which recovery is to take place are specified through the ABCODETRAN keyword in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item for CICS1. If you want to initiate recovery for transaction PAYR only when the abend code is AEI0 or AKC3, you must create the ABCODETRAN entry in the Message Processing panel and associate codes with this entry as displayed in Figure 4:

COMMANDS    HELP

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Command ===>

Entry Type : Application                      PolicyDB Name : SCENARIO  
Entry Name : CICS1                              Enterprise Name : TEST

Subsystem : CICS1  
Message ID : ABCODETRAN.PAYR

Enter the value to be passed to the calling CLIST when this resource issues the selected message and the following codes are contained in the message.

Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Value Returned
	AEI0		INCLUDE
	AKC3		INCLUDE
	*		EXCLUDE

F1=HELP    F2=SPLIT    F3=END    F4=RETURN    F5=RFIND    F6=RCHANGE  
 F7=UP       F8=DOWN    F9=SWAP    F10=LEFT    F11=RIGHT    F12=RETRIEVE

Figure 4. Code Processing Panel

For more details, see “ABCODETRAN—Transaction Abend Recovery” on page 35.

### Specifying Recovery Actions

You specify the commands to be issued for recovery in the CMD Processing panel for the RCVRTRAN message keyword entry of CICS1. For example:

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```
COMMANDS  HELP
-----
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Command ==>                                SCROLL==> PAGE

Entry Type : Application                PolicyDB Name : SCENARIO
Entry Name : CIGS1                      Enterprise Name : TEST

Subsystem : CIGS1
Message ID : RCVRTRAN.PAYR

Enter commands to be executed when resource issues the selected message.

Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
Command Text

MSG OP1, TRAN &EHKCFGV1 FAILED_____

_____

_____

F1=HELP    F2=SPLIT    F3=END    F4=RETURN    F5=RFIND    F6=RCHANGE
F7=UP      F8=DOWN     F9=SWAP   F10=LEFT    F11=RIGHT   F12=RETRIEVE
```

Figure 5. Command Processing Panel

For more details, see “RCVRTRAN—Transaction Recovery” on page 40.

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## How to Set Up the State/Action Tables

In CICS Automation, state/action tables are used for the recovery of short-on-storage-conditions.

State/action tables work independently of service periods and external triggers and are referenced when messages occur that are relevant to these entities. For an explanation on what state/action tables are and how they work, see “State/Action Tables” on page 3.

If you want to enable automated recovery for one of the problem areas listed above with respect to a CICS application, proceed as follows:

- If the recovery flag of the application (AUTOMATION FLAGS policy item) is set to NO, define a minor resource flag for the respective problem area in the customization dialogs in the MINOR RESOURCE FLAGS policy item of the CICS application and set its recovery flag to YES. For details, see “Automating Recovery For Transactions” on page 21.
- Associate the respective CICS application with a set of state/action tables. To do this, you must perform two steps in the customization dialogs:
  1. Define a set of state/action tables as a CICS STATE/ACTION policy object for CICS (CSA entry type, to be found in the PRD entry type).
  2. Link the set to the subsystem in the STATE ACTION TABLE policy item of the APPLICATION object.

The state/action tables are read and the actions or state changes are performed by the EVEEY00S routine (see “EVEEY00S—Common State Handler for State/Action Tables” on page 49). EVEEY00S is invoked from the AT. It determines which set of state/action tables is associated with the subsystem that issued the message, and then refers to the appropriate table. In addition to EVEEY00S, the following components for support of state/action processing are provided with CICS Automation:

- Default state/action table for the following recovery action, delivered in SINGNPRM:

Topic	Name of state/action table
Short-on-storage condition	EVEESA01

- Common routines to be used by the action routines
- Action routines

**Note:** EVEESA01 makes use of the information specified in RCVR SOS. For information on these entries, see Chapter 4, "MESSAGES/USER DATA Entries for CICS Automation," on page 33.

Every state/action table is associated with an *area* and a *product*. The area tag specifies for which of the problem areas the table is intended, the product tag says whether the table is to be used by CICS Automation or by IMS Automation. These tags must be specified in the first two rows of the table. The format for CICS Automation is:

```
PRODUCT=CICS
AREA=SOS
```

In the third row of the table, you must specify the initial state of the table, that is, the state that is assumed when the table is consulted for the first time. Thus, the header of the sample table in Figure 6 would have to look like this:

```
PRODUCT=CICS
AREA=SOS
STATE=0
```

### Example State/Action Table

For an example, consider the following table:

```
*****
* STATES:      NORMAL      ONE MSG      TWO MSGS   *
*              THREE MSGS  FOUR MSGS   FIVE MSGS *
* STATE VALUES:  0          1          2          *
*****
EVENT=DFHSM0131 EVEES101/1    /2          NA ,
                  NA          NA          NA
EVENT=DFHSM0132 NOP          EVEES102/0  /1 ,
                  NA          NA          NA
EVENT=DFHSM0133 EVEES101/1    /2          NA ,
                  NA          NA          NA
EVENT=DFHSM0134 NOP          EVEES102/0  /1 ,
                  NA          NA          NA
EVENT=CICSDN    NOP          EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0 ,
                  EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0
EVENT=CICSINIT  NOP          EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0 ,
                  EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0  EVEES103/0
```

Figure 6. Short-on-Storage State/Action Table Example

The table must be read as follows:

- If an action must be taken or the status be changed or both, the cells contain the name of the action command list to be called or the code of the new state or both, separated by a slash.
- NOP signifies that nothing is to be done.
- NA signifies that this event/state combination cannot occur.

## How to Set Up the State/Action Tables

The sample table serves to manage the storage supply resource for CICS applications. There are three possible states for storage supply,

0=NORMAL, 1=SINGLE HALTED, and 2=DOUBLE HALTED

The following scenario illustrates how the table works:

1. Assume that the actual state of storage supply is 0.
2. Message DFHSM0131 is issued. This message contains the information that CICS is short on storage.
3. Row 1, column 1 of the table is consulted.
4. The state of storage supply changes to 1.
5. The action command list EVEES101 is called. EVEES101 schedules a timer, on the expiration of which the operator is alerted, the SDF is updated, and an MVS dump made.
6. Message DFHSM0132 is issued. This message contains the information that storage supply is back to normal.
7. Row 2, column 2 of the table is consulted.
8. The state of storage supply changes to 0.
9. The action command list EVEES102 is called. EVEES102 cancels the timer and removes any SDF messages that are associated with this error occurrence.

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## How to Set Up Health Checking

Health checking allows you to execute programs that check the health of an application running under CICS. CICS Automation initiates a health check program by sending a request across the program-to-program interface to the target CICS. CICS receives the request, processes the program, and sends the results back to NetView.

**Note:** Sample health check code is provided with CICS Automation. This code can be modified and used to check the availability of critical resources, such as DB2® or IMS.

Health checking is set up in the following manner:

### Step 1: The health check program is written

The actual health check program is executed on the target CICS. According to the health check protocol, one of the following is returned:

- An acknowledgment (ACK) stating that the program completed successfully.
- A negative acknowledgment (NACK) stating that the program did not complete successfully. If a NACK response is given, data can be passed back to NetView describing the error condition.

The ACK or NACK are returned through the use of a DFHCOMMAREA. The user-written health check program is linked to by a CICS Automation health check program, which passes the 104-byte DFHCOMMAREA. The first four bytes are reserved for the characters ACK or NACK. The last 100 bytes can be used for a NACK message if the user-written program encounters an error. Refer to the samples for the format of the DFHCOMMAREA, and for an example of how to use the DFHCOMMAREA to return the response.

### Step 2: The health check programs are defined to CICS

Use either the *CICS/MVS<sup>®</sup> Resource Definition (Online)* or the *CICS/ESA<sup>®</sup> Resource Definition (Online)* publication to do this.

### Step 3: The health check program is defined to CICS Automation

The health check program is defined to CICS Automation in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item HEALTHCHK (see “HEALTHCHK—Health Checking” on page 37 on the **User Defined Data** panel).

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## How to Set Up Link Monitoring

CICS communicates with other systems or subsystems using either intersystem communication (ISC) or interregion communication (IRC). In either ISC or IRC, communication between different systems or subsystems takes place across predefined sessions. Sessions are logical links that are allocated whenever there is a need to communicate.

In order to activate link monitoring, perform the following steps:

1. Define the link in a CICS LINK policy object (CCN entry type).
2. Define the monitoring periods in a MONITORING PERIOD policy object (CVP entry type).
3. Connect the monitoring periods to the link in the MONITORING PERIOD item of the CICS LINK object.
4. Connect the link to a CICS application in the CICS CONNECTION item of the APPLICATION policy object.

For more details, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

## Setting Up Echoplexing

Basic link monitoring ensures that VTAM connections are acquired and available but does not detect problems at the other end of the link. CICS Automation provides the ability to verify the other end of the link by sending data across it and waiting for a response. This is referred to as *echoplexing*. You can echoplex to any system or subsystem as long as the:

1. Link is defined on the primary CICS region.
2. Type of connection is either multiregion operation (MRO), LU6.1 or LU6.2.  
**Note:** LU6.2 is not supported for links to IMS systems.
3. Target system is either CICS, or IMS.

SA z/OS is not required on the target systems. With IMS target systems, no additional programming is required; CICS Automation uses the IMS /TEST function to get a response from IMS.

A CICS target subsystem requires access to EVESYCB7 (a CICS Automation program), and the definitions required for this program are made as shown:

```
DEFINE TRANSACTION(ECHO) PROGRAM(EVESYCB7)
```

**Note:** The default name for the transaction is ECHO. This can be changed as long as the transaction definition on the target system matches the transaction name on the primary system that is identified with the ECHO= keyword.

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### Security Checking Using CICS

You can use CICS-supplied security to restrict which operators can access defined resources within a CICS environment.

The security check works by using the NetView operator ID that invoked the CICS Automation function. When the function to be performed is invoked in the NetView environment, the invoking operator ID is passed to the CICS system on which the action will be taken. The appropriate transaction or function is invoked, and the NetView operator ID is used in all CICS security checks.

To use this security, you must:

- Define all NetView operators which will invoke CICS functions to RACF (or your SAF-compliant security system). This will include:
  - Regular NetView operators
  - NetView autotasks which perform CICS-related actions. These autotasks include those autotasks specifically defined for CICS Automation use, and may include the autotasks which process shutdown functions or resynchronization functions.
- Define RACF surrogate authorization for CICS.
- Connect the NetView operators to the CICS resources which they will need to access, such as transactions, programs and files. This connection is done through your SAF security manager (such as RACF).
- Enable the security by modifying the EVESPINM member and specifying USERID=YES to enable extended support. For more information on EVESPINM, see “EVESPINM—CICS PPI Initialization Member” on page 15.
- Enable non-terminal transaction security in CICS by modifying the CICS SIT to specify XTRAN=YES and XUSER=YES. Additional CICS definitions may require similar modification, such as PLTPIUSER.

**Note:** In order to perform any of the basic functions of CICS Automation, like displaying subsystem information, an operator must be authorized to use the ACF command. For this command, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*.

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### Adding Local Applications to the CICS Automation Operator Interface

Option 99, Local Functions, from the CICS Automation main menu, provides you with a way to add your local applications to the CICS Automation interface.

To do this, write a module named EVEEU000 using the programming notes described below. This is the module that is called when option 99 is selected.

These programming notes assume that you understand how to write a NetView panel handler exec. These notes clarify unique functions or conventions used with CICS Automation. For your panel to be logically consistent with the CICS Automation interface, incorporate these functions.

#### Programming notes:

1. To exit CICS Automation (PF2) or to return to the main menu (PF4), code the following after displaying your panel and accepting the input:

```
WHEN VIEWAID = 'PF2' | VIEWAID = 'PF14' THEN
DO
  EVE_PF2 = 'YES'
  'GLOBALV PUTT EVE_PF2'
```

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```
EXIT 0  
END
```

*and*

```
WHEN VIEWAID = 'PF4' | VIEWAID = 'PF16' THEN  
DO  
  EVE_PF4 = 'YES'  
  'GLOBALV PUTT EVE_PF4'  
  EXIT 0  
END
```

2. When you call a module and you return from that module, you should exit if the called module displays a panel and PF2 or PF4 was pressed. To check for this, code the following after the call.

```
'GLOBALV GETT EVE_PF2'  
IF EVE_PF2 = 'YES' THEN  
DO  
  EXIT 0  
END
```

*and*

```
'GLOBALV GETT EVE_PF4'  
IF EVE_PF4 = 'YES' THEN  
DO  
  EXIT 0  
END
```

3. To handle a fast-path command entered on your panel:
  - a. Add the following to the beginning of the program:

```
'SIGNAL ON HALT'
```

- b. Add the following routine into the program:

```
HALT:  
  EVE_PF2 = 'YES'  
  'GLOBALV PUTT EVE_PF2'  
  EXIT 0
```

- c. Add the following code after displaying your panel and accepting input:

```
WHEN VIEWAID = 'ENTER' & CMD ^= '' THEN  
DO  
  IF SUBSTR(CMD,1,1) = '=' THEN  
  DO  
    PARSE VAR CMD '=' REST  
    CMD = 'EVEE0000 ' || REST  
  END  
  'CMD HIGH 'CMD  
END
```

**Note:** In this code, CMD is the command line on the NetView panel.

4. If you code a menu panel, add the following code to check for fast-path when your program is entered:

```
'GLOBALV GETT EVE_SELECTION'  
IF EVE_SELECTION ^= ''  
DO  
  PARSE EVE_SELECTION MYSELECTION '.' EVE_SELECTION  
  'GLOBALV PUTT EVE_SELECTION'  
END
```

5. On entry, or returning from a called program, to get the CICS subsystem name (if the previous program had a valid name and saved it) code the following:

```
'GLOBALV GETT EVESELNM'  
MYNAME = EVESELNM
```

## Adding Local Applications to the CICS Automation Operator Interface

6. Always validate a new CICS name before storing it for other programs to use. The following is an example of validation:

```
'CICSQRY REQ=VALIDATE,TYPE=CICS,NAME='MYNAME
IF RC ^= 0
DO
    write your error message
END
ELSE
EVESELNM=MYNAME
'GLOBALV PUTT EVESELNM'
```

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## Using Linemode Functions

Linemode functions allow the operator or user-written routines to access the following special CICS Automation functions without using the CICS Automation panels:

- Health checking
- SIT override
- Link monitoring
- Message options
- CICSPOST
- CEMTPPI

The linemode routines allow the extension of automation from user-written routines. The user-written routine issues the linemode command during NetView initialization or at a specific time or day. A message and return code is given to the calling routine to verify that the requested operation was successful.

### Health Checking

Linemode health checking makes it possible to manipulate health-check routines from a user-written command. A health-check program is a user-written routine which executes periodically to ensure that a critical application is capable of supporting its users. The actions supported include suspending and resuming the health-check program. Other actions are supported.

### SIT Override

Linemode SIT overrides give user-written routines the capability of setting the SIT overrides, which can then be used by CICS Automation to control the startup of the CICS. A typical use of this linemode command will be to enable automation to perform cold startups on a given day of the week. For example, using SA z/OS timer facilities, a user could set a timer to set the overrides to cold-start every Monday morning. Then, using service periods, the CICS system could be recycled, and a cold start would be performed.

### Link Monitoring

Linemode link monitoring provides support for the link monitoring functions of CICS Automation. Support for most of the link monitoring capabilities are provided; excluded are system news update, service period update and recover-all-links functions.



## Message Options

Linemode message options enables a user-written routine to change the message header options which display on the operator panel. Typical use of this command is during NetView initialization, when a user-written routine would set the domain-wide defaults.

## CEMTPPI

CEMTPPI allows you to code a CEMT command:

1. In your own automation routines.
2. In the NetView automation table.
3. In the policy database in certain items of the APPLICATION policy object such as STARTUP or SHUTDOWN, or in certain message IDs, for example RCVRSOS.

Refer to “CEMTPPI—CEMT PPI Short Syntax” on page 42 for details.

It accepts CEMT input as data, issues an MVS Modify command on a console, and sends a response back to the originating task.

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## How to Implement Remote Site Recovery for VSAM RLS (CICS TS Function Only)

CICS TS provides support for remote site recovery where VSAM data sets are used in RLS mode at the primary site. Using this RLS support for remote recovery, you can switch over to the remote site without suffering indeterminate or unreported loss of data integrity.

To invoke CICS RLS support for off-site recovery, you must start CICS systems with INGREQ using start type AUTO and specifying OFFSITE=YES in the **Appl Parms** field of the INGREQ input panel. See “Startup” on page 58.

With RLS recovery in operation during an emergency restart, CICS prevents any data sets from being accessed in RLS mode until CICS has completed all outstanding RLS recovery work and it has received a ‘GO’ response to WTOR DFHFC0575.

The operator should reply ‘GO’ to the message only when all the CICS regions being restarted with OFFSITE=YES have issued message DFHFC0575 indicating that they have completed their RLS recovery.

CICS TS provides a sample REXX exec DFH\$OFAR to be used to automatically reply ‘GO’ to the WTOR for each participating CICS system, when appropriate.

To be able to use the CICS TS-provided sample REXX exec DFH\$OFAR, you will need to copy it from the CICS TS DFHSAMP library into a DSICLD concatenated library. Refer to the CICS TS documentation for more information.

DFH\$OFAR requires that a unique control file (a sequential data set) be defined containing all the participating CICS systems. This control file must be accessible from any participating MVS image within the sysplex. Refer to the prolog in the REXX exec DFH\$OFAR for more detailed information.

## How to Implement Remote Site Recovery for VSAM RLS

CICS Automation provides the AT entries required to drive the CICS TS-provided REXX exec DFH\$OFAR. Merge these entries into your own AT to be able to use this function.

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### Special Considerations for Collecting CPSM alerts

Alerts generated by CPSM SAM, MRM and RTA functions can be displayed in SDF and on NMC. If no actions are taken, these alerts are logged against the CPSM CMAS address space that issues them. However, by defining the CMAS subsystem as a CMAS to CICS Automation, the function determines the CICS subsystem that has the problem and will log the alert against the appropriate CICS subsystem.

To achieve this, define the name of the CMAS in the CMASid field of the CICS Control policy item for the CMAS subsystem.

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## Chapter 4. MESSAGES/USER DATA Entries for CICS Automation

You must specify any information for CICS Automation in the SA z/OS policy database through the customization dialog. In most cases, the customization dialog itself restricts you to the format in which this information must be entered. There are, however, a number of CICS application-specific automation parameters that must be specified as entries in the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item of the appropriate application. For further information about the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

The following chapter contains detailed descriptions of these automation entries. However, a general understanding of the MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item is assumed.

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### CICS-Specific MESSAGES/USER DATA Keywords

The following keywords are specific for CICS Automation. They need to be entered in the MESSAGE ID field on the Message Processing panel.

Entry	Description
"ABCODESYSTEM—System Abend Recovery" on page 34.	Use this ID to define actions to be taken for specific abend codes.
"ABCODETRAN—Transaction Abend Recovery" on page 35.	Use this ID to define actions to be taken for transaction abend codes.
"CICSINFO—Display Information" on page 36.	Use this ID to define the effect of INGCICS REQ=INFO
"HEALTHCHK—Health Checking" on page 37.	This ID is used to define the health check routines.
"LISTSHUT—Transaction Purging During Shutdown" on page 38.	Use this ID to define those transactions running under this CICS subsystem that should or should not be purged during a shutdown.
"RCVRSOS—Short-On-Storage Handling" on page 39.	Use this ID if you want CICS Automation to take action for short on storage conditions.
"RCVRTRAN—Transaction Recovery" on page 40.	Use this ID to define actions to be taken when this specific transaction has abended.

## ABCODESYSTEM—System Abend Recovery

Use this keyword to either include specific abend codes in recovery or exclude them from recovery.

Use Code Processing and enter the following data:

Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Value Returned
<i>msg</i>	<i>abend1</i>	<i>abend2</i>	RESTART or NORESTART

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### CODE

Defines which abends are restartable, as shown in the following descriptions:

*msg*

The abend message ID.

*abend1* and *abend2*

The specific abend codes or qualifiers.

#### RESTART|NORESTART

Indicates whether or not to initiate a restart for this subsystem when this specific message/abend code(s) occur(s).

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. Abend qualifiers vary depending on the AT. Refer to sample tables to determine the qualifiers for each message.
2. If a CICS message (DFHxxxxx) is trapped and included in the ABCODESYSTEM table, then it is not usually necessary to code the corresponding IEF450I message with the same user abend code (Uxxxx) in the table. An exception to this may be DFHKE1800, which is issued so closely in time to IEF450I that it may be processed before the DFHKE1800. It is therefore recommended that you either:
  - Add both DFHKE1800 and IEF450I with U1800 to the table, or
  - Exclude DFHKE1800 from the table and from the AT as well.
3. When CICS issues one of the following abend messages:

DFHLG0736	DFHLG0738	DFHLG0740	DFHRM0134	DFHRM0136
DFHRM0144	DFHRM0401	DFHDM0106	DFHTM0400	DFHSI1542

a restart of CICS requires INITIAL to be specified as the startup type. In these cases CICS Automation prevents a restart by ARM. Rather, the restart policy must be defined with the ABCODESYSTEM entry.

### Examples of Usage

Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Value Returned
IEF450I	S222	*	RESTART
DFH0607	*	*	RESTART
DFH3784	*	*	RESTART
DFH0408	*	*	NORESTART

In this example, a restart will be initiated for message IEF450I if the qualifier is S222. If messages DFH607 or DFH3784 are issued, restarts will be initiated. No restart will be initiated for message DFH0408.

## ABCODETRAN—Transaction Abend Recovery

Use this keyword to define actions to be taken for transaction abend codes.

Use Code Processing and enter the following data:

Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Value Returned
<i>tran</i>	<i>abend</i>	<i>pgm</i>	INCLUDE or EXCLUDE

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### ABCODETRAN[.*tran*]

You can add the name of a transaction as a suffix to the keyword. In this case the specifications of the CODE attribute(s) will only apply to this transaction.

#### CODE

Defines which abends are recoverable, as shown in the following descriptions:

*tran*

The transaction ID.

*abend*

The abend code.

*pgm*

The program that abended.

#### INCLUDE|EXCLUDE

Indicates whether or not to initiate a recovery for this transaction, abend code, and program. Use INCLUDE to initiate a recovery and EXCLUDE if you do not want a recovery initiated.

### Comments and Usage Notes

The transaction name is either specified as **ABCODETRAN**.*tran* or as the first value of the CODE attribute. Use **ABCODETRAN**.*tran* when you want all of the specifications to apply to one specific transaction. Use the CODE attribute when you want to code several transactions.

### Examples of Usage

Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Value Returned
CSFE	ATNI	*	EXCLUDE
CSFE	AKC3	*	EXCLUDE
*	*	*	INCLUDE
_____	_____	_____	_____

In this example, recovery will not take place for transaction CSFE if the abend code is ATNI or AKC3. Recovery will take place for all other transaction and abend codes.

### CICSINFO—Display Information

These commands are issued when the INGCICS REQ=INFO command is used to display the state of the selected CICS region. The commands are issued via the MODIFY subsystem ID on an MVS EMCS console and the resulting messages are either displayed on the INGCICS panel or written to the users NetView console.

For further information about the INFO request, see the description of the INGCICS command in *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*.

Use User-Defined Processing and enter the following data:

Keyword	Data
CICSCMD	( <i>description,CICS command</i> )

#### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

##### *description*

The description is text that will be placed before the output of the CICS command. This can be used to identify the command output in the output stream. The description can be any string, but must be enclosed in quotes.

##### *CICS command*

The CICS command is the command to be executed. This command will be appended to a MODIFY subsystem and issued as an MVS command to an EMCS console. The output will be collected and displayed. The command can be any valid CICS transaction that will write to an MVS console. The command must be enclosed in quotes.

You may code multiple CICS commands, separated by a comma, in order to group results under a common description.

#### Comments and Usage Notes

This policy is required for correct operation of the INGCICS command and also PF10 of the DISPINFO panel.

#### Examples of Usage

```
Keyword
Data
CICSCMD
('DISPLAY ACTIVE TASKS','CEMT I TA')

CICSCMD
('DISPLAY SYSTEM INFORMATION', 'CEMT I SYS')
```

## HEALTHCHK—Health Checking

Use this keyword to define the health check routines.

Use User-Defined Processing and enter the following data:

Keyword	Data
FUNCTION	( <i>n</i> , <i>pgm</i> , <i>int</i> , <i>resp</i> ,AUTO NOAUTO, ' <i>desc</i> ')

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*n* Up to 10 health check entries can be specified for each CICS subsystem. 0 to 9 identifies a health check entry.

*pgm*

The program name as defined to the CICS region.

*int*

The interval, expressed in hours, minutes, and seconds, after which this health-check program is to be rerun. The format is *hh:mm:ss*. The maximum is 99:59:59.

**Note:** The interval must be greater than the response time limit.

*resp*

How long to wait for a response before sending an alert to the operator. This is expressed in seconds. The maximum is 120 seconds.

#### AUTO|NOAUTO

Specify NOAUTO if you only want this health check routine to be activated through the operator interface. The default AUTO activates the routine automatically when the CICS subsystem status is changed to UP, and deactivates it when the CICS subsystem terminates.

*desc*

The description of this health check routine as it appears on the CICS Automation Health Checking panel (see “Health Checking” on page 66). Up to 20 characters can be used.

### Comments and Usage Notes

Refer to “How to Set Up Health Checking” on page 26 for more information about health checking.

### Examples of Usage

Keyword

Data

FUNCTION

(0,HCPAY1,00:02:00,15,, 'Check payroll database') \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION

(1,IMS,00:02:00,15,, 'Check IMS001') \_\_\_\_\_

There are two health check programs that will be run, HCPAY1 and IMS, and these will be run every 2 minutes. If no response arrives within 15 seconds, the operator is notified.

## LISTSHUT—Transaction Purging During Shutdown

Use this keyword to define those transactions running under this CICS application that should or should not be purged during a shutdown.

Use User-Defined Processing and enter the following data:

Keyword	Data
EXCLUDE	*   <i>transid</i>
INCLUDE	*   <i>transid</i>   ( <i>transid</i> ,FORCE)

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### EXCLUDE

Do not purge this transaction during a shutdown.

\* Specifies any transaction name.

*transid* Specifies a specific transaction name.

Any number of transactions may be specified by repeating the EXCLUDE keyword and its data.

#### INCLUDE

Purge this transaction during a shutdown.

\* Specifies any transaction name.

*transid* Specifies a specific transaction name.

(*transid*,FORCE)

Specifies that the transaction named is to be FORCE purged.

Any number of transactions may be specified by repeating the INCLUDE keyword and its data.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. If this entry is not used, no transactions are purged.
2. When the LISTSHUT entry is used for this application, the CICSPURG command list must be coded in the shutdown policy for this application. For information on CICSPURG, see “CICSPURG—Purge Transactions” on page 46.

### Examples of Usage

Keyword	
Data	
EXCLUDE	_____
PAYR	_____
	_____
EXCLUDE	_____
BAT1	_____
	_____

This example specifies that the PAYR and BAT1 transactions are specifically not purged during a shutdown of CICS1.



## RCVRSOS—Short-On-Storage Handling

Use this keyword to notify the operator and optionally issue a command when a short-on-storage condition exceeds the specified time limit.

- Use User-Defined Processing and enter the following data:

Keyword	Data
TIMELIMIT	<i>mm:ss</i>

- Optionally, use Command Processing and enter the following data:

Pass/Selection	Automated Function/'*'	Command Text
—	—	<i>cmd</i>

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### TIMELIMIT

Specifies the time limit that a short-on-storage condition can exist before the commands specified by the CMD attribute are executed.

#### *cmd*

The command or commands to be issued when the short-on-storage condition exceeds the time limit specified with the TIMELIMIT attribute.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. There is a sample command list, EVEERDMP, that can be specified for the CMD attribute when a dump is to be produced.
2. The **Critical** value of the SOS thresholds of the subsystem is used to determine how often the specified commands are allowed to be issued within a specific time frame. The SOS thresholds must be defined in the customization dialogs under the CICS-specific RESOURCE THRESHOLDS policy item.
3. The RCVRSOS entry is used by the EVEES104 action routine that is shipped with CICS Automation. This routine is called from the sample SOS state/action table. On state/action tables, see “How to Set Up the State/Action Tables” on page 24 and “State/Action Tables” on page 3.

### Examples of Usage

The following shows how the TIMELIMIT attribute can be specified:

```
Keyword
Data
TIMELIMIT _____
00:30 _____
```

The following shows how the CMD attribute can be specified:

```
Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
Command Text
EVEERDMP CICS1 _____
```

The example specifies that the operator is notified and a dump produced if CICS is short on storage for more than 30 seconds.

## RCVRTRAN—Transaction Recovery

Use this keyword to define actions to be taken when transaction abends occur.

Use Command Processing and enter the following data:

Pass/Selection	Automated Function/'*'	Command Text
—	—	<i>cmd</i>

**Note:** The RCVRTRAN keyword may be followed with a dot and a transaction ID *tran*.

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*tran*

A specific transaction. If this is not used, then the commands apply to all transactions.

*cmd*

The command or commands to be issued when the transaction abends.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. The **Critical** value of the TRAN or TRAN.*tranid* thresholds for the subsystem is used to indicate how many abends can occur before automation is stopped. The thresholds must be defined in the customization dialogs under the CICS-specific RESOURCE THRESHOLDS policy item.
2. The SA z/OS variable EHKVAR1 is set with the name of the transaction. This allows you to tailor your commands using the transaction name, such as disabling the transaction.
3. The RCVRTRAN entry is used by the EVEERTRN routine shipped with CICS Automation. EVEERTRN is typically called from the AT.

### Examples of Usage

Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*' Command Text
MSG OP1,TRAN &EHKVAR1 FAILED_____

This entry states that the command shown is to be executed for all transactions that do not have specific entries for them. It is the default command.

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## Chapter 5. CICS Automation Routines and Commands

This section is intended to help system and application programmers write programs that use the CICS Automation function. The following are described:

### Operator Commands

The following commands are operator commands and can be invoked by operators or via PIPES.

- CEMTPPI** Issue CICS CEMT commands, see “CEMTPPI—CEMT PPI Short Syntax” on page 42.
- CICSHLTH** Line mode Health Check, see “CICSHLTH—Linemode Health Checking” on page 42.
- CICSLM** Line Mode Link Monitor, see “CICSLM—Linemode Link Monitor” on page 43.
- CICSOVRD** Specify startup and shutdown options dynamically, see “CICSOVRD—Linemode SIT Override” on page 45.

### ACF Commands

The following commands are meant to be executed from the ACF command policies.

- CICSPURG** Purge transactions at CICS shutdown, see “CICSPURG—Purge Transactions” on page 46.
- CICRSYCY** Refresh CICS information at Agent startup. Run from the ACORESTART policy, see “CICRSYCY—CICS Resync” on page 47.
- CICSSHUT** Shuts a CICS subsystem down, see “CICSSHUT—Shutdown Processor” on page 48.
- EVEERDMP** Creates a system DUMP of the CICS address space, see “EVEERDMP—CICS Dump” on page 48.
- EVEEY00S** Common State Handler, see “EVEEY00S—Common State Handler for State/Action Tables” on page 49.
- CMASSHUT** Shuts a CICS CMAS address space, see “CMASSHUT—CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) Shutdown” on page 49.

### Application Programming Interfaces

The following commands are to be invoked from user REXX programs.

- CICSQRY** Get information about a CICS subsystem, see “CICSQRY—Name Lookup” on page 50.
- CICSRCMD** Route a command to an Agent that is controlling a CICS subsystem, see “CICSRCMD—Request a CICS Function” on page 53.

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## CEMTPPI—CEMT PPI Short Syntax

CEMTPPI allows you to code a CEMT command:

1. In your own automation routines.
2. In the AT.
3. In the **CMD Processing** panel of the customization dialogs (for example, SHUTDOWN or MESSAGES policy items).

It accepts CEMT input as data, issues an MVS Modify command on a console, and sends a response back to the originating task.

### Format

**CEMTPPI** *subsys cemt-command-stream*

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*subsys*

The symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

*cemt-command-stream*

The CEMT command stream, such as SET TASK DISABLE. Do not prefix the command with CEMT.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. This command can route across domains.
2. The CEMT PERFORM SHUTDOWN option is not allowed across the program-to-program interface. Therefore, it cannot be issued with CEMTPPI.

## CICSHLTH—Linemode Health Checking

CICSHLTH allows an operator or user-written routine to control health checking without using the CICS Automation operator interface.

### Format

```
CICSHLTH NAME=subsys, {ACTION=START, PROGRAM=programe |  
                          ACTION=STATUS, PROGRAM=programe |  
                          ACTION=RESUME, PROGRAM=programe |  
                          ACTION=SUSPEND, PROGRAM=programe |  
                          ACTION=STOP, PROGRAM=programe |  
                          ACTION=CHECK, PROGRAM=programe}
```

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*subsys*

The name of the CICS subsystem.

*programe*

The name of the user-written health check program.

### **ACTION=START**

Used to initiate health check processing.

### **ACTION=STATUS**

Used to determine if the health check program is active or inactive, and normal or abnormal regarding its most recent execution.

### **ACTION=RESUME**

Used to continue a process that was temporarily suspended.

### **ACTION=SUSPEND**

Used to temporarily stop a process.

### **ACTION=STOP**

Used to stop health check processing.

### **ACTION=CHECK**

Used to submit a status check regardless of the status and scheduled time interval of the health check program.

## **Comments and Usage Notes**

Actions can only be performed using programs that are specified under the HEALTHCHK keyword in the MESSAGES/USER DATA item of the APPLICATION policy object for the subsystem.

## **Examples of Usage**

### **Example 1: Status of a Health Check Program: Command:**

```
CICSHLTH NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=STATUS,PROGRAM=EVECHLTH
```

Message Response:

```
EVE441I HEALTH CHECK PROGRAM EVECHLTH STATUS INACTIVE
EVE445I ABNORMAL RESPONSE ON 10/25/04 09:51:35 -
```

### **Example 2: Start of a Health Check Program: Command**

```
CICSHLTH NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=START,PROGRAM=EVECHLTH
```

Message Response:

```
EVE436I CICS01A HEALTH START FOR EVECHLTH SUCCESSFUL.
```

## **CICSLM—Linemode Link Monitor**

CICSLM provides a linemode interface for the link monitoring functions of CICS Automation.

### **Format**

```
CICSLM NAME=subsys, {ACTION=STARTLMT |
ACTION=STATUSLMT |
ACTION=CONNINFO |
ACTION=STOPLMT |
ACTION=STATUS, CONNECTION=conname |
ACTION=RECOVER, CONNECTION=conname |
ACTION=SUSPEND, CONNECTION=conname
[, FUNCTION={ECHO|MONITOR}]} |
ACTION=RESUME, CONNECTION=conname
[, FUNCTION={ECHO|MONITOR}]}
```

### **Keyword and Parameter Definitions**

*subsys*

The name of the CICS subsystem.

## CICSLM—Linemode Link Monitor

### **ACTION=STARTLMT**

Used to start link monitoring processing.

### **ACTION=STATUSLMT**

Used to determine if link monitoring is started or stopped.

### **ACTION=CONNINFO**

Used to acquire information on connection information.

### **ACTION=STOPLMT**

Used to stop link monitoring processing.

### **ACTION=STATUS**

Used to acquire status on a named connection.

### **ACTION=RECOVER**

Used to start a series of repair actions for a named connection.

### **ACTION=SUSPEND**

Used to temporarily stop link monitoring processing.

### **ACTION=RESUME**

Used to restart link monitoring processing after it was suspended.

*connname*

This is the 4-character CICS name for a connection

### **FUNCTION=ECHO**

Used to run the echoplexing transaction over the named connection.

### **FUNCTION=MONITOR**

Used to run monitoring for the named connection.

## **Comments and Usage Notes**

ACTION=STATUS, RECOVER, SUSPEND, and RESUME require the use of the CONNECTION keyword.

## **Examples of Usage**

**Example 1: Get Connection Information for CICS01A:** Command:

```
CICSLM NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=CONNINFO
```

Message Response:

```
EVE793I AUTOMATION DISPLAY - CONNINFO
EVE794I CURRENT ITEM - CONNID=C10A
EVE795I DATA IS APPLID=CICS10AA
EVE795I DATA IS DESCRIPTION=FROM CICS01A TO
EVE795I DATA IS DESIRED=DOWN
EVE795I DATA IS ACTUAL=UNKNOWN
EVE795I DATA IS MONITOR=ON
EVE795I DATA IS LASTCHK=
EVE795I DATA IS ECHOPLEX=
EVE796I END OF CONNINFO DISPLAY
```

**Example 2: Get Status Information for Specific Connection:** Command:

```
CICSLM NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=STATUS,CONNECTION=C10A
```

Message Response:

```
EVE793I AUTOMATION DISPLAY - STATUS
EVE794I CURRENT ITEM - CONN=C10A
EVE795I DATA IS LOCAL=CICS01A
EVE795I DATA IS REMOTE=CICS10AA
EVE795I DATA IS DESCRIPTION=FROM CICS01A TO
```

```

EVE795I DATA IS CONNTYPE=LU62
EVE795I DATA IS CRITICAL=NO
EVE795I DATA IS TIMEZONE=00:00 EAST
EVE795I DATA IS MONSTATUS=ON
EVE795I DATA IS ECHOSTATUS=
EVE795I DATA IS LASTCHK=
EVE795I DATA IS RESPONSE=
EVE795I DATA IS DESTLINK=DOWN
EVE795I DATA IS ACTIVELINK=UNKNOWN
EVE795I DATA IS SERVICE=UNKNOWN
EVE795I DATA IS ACQUIRE=UNKNOWN
EVE795I DATA IS INTERVAL=27:00
EVE795I DATA IS REPAIR=3
EVE795I DATA IS RD=05
EVE795I DATA IS AD=05
EVE795I DATA IS ED=
EVE795I DATA IS SYSTEM=CICS
EVE795I DATA IS ECHOPROC=
EVE796I END OF STATUS DISPLAY

```

**Example 3: Resume Monitoring for a Specific Connection:** Command:

```
CICSLM NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=RESUME,CONNECTION=C10A,FUNCTION=MONITOR
```

Message Response:

```

EVE968I LINK MONITORING REQUEST RESUME(MONITOR) FOR
CONNECTION C10A WAS SUCCESSFUL

```

## CICSOVRD—Linemode SIT Override

CICSOVRD allows you to set CICS SIT override conditions prior to CICS startup. (Otherwise, CICS Automation only allows you to set override conditions through the INGREQ input panel; see “Starting and Stopping Resources” on page 58.)

### Format

```

CICSOVRD NAME=subsys,STARTTYPE=type,
          ACTION=SET,OVERRIDE=delimdatadelim,
          KEYPOINT=[REQuired|OPTional]

```

ACTION=STATUS

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*type*

The type of startup.

*subsys*

The name of the CICS subsystem.

**ACTION=SET**

Used to change the SIT override for a CICS subsystem.

**ACTION=STATUS**

Used to inquire about the SIT options for a CICS subsystem.

*delim*

The character that is used to delimit the override data. The first character after the '=' sign is taken to be this delimiter.

*data*

The override data to be used to override the SIT options.

**KEYPOINT=[REQuired|OPTional]**

Used to specify if a warm keypoint is required for the CICS subsystem, before these overrides can be used.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. The CICSOVRD command does not start the named CICS. The overrides are saved and used for subsequent starts of the CICS. The SIT overrides can be displayed by using the **ACTION=STATUS** option.
2. This linemode command returns the following message to the invoking routine:  
EVE556I CICSOVRD Completed successfully  
To clear an override, enter:  
CICSOVRD NAME=*subsys*,ACTION=SET,OVERVERRIDE=%%

### Examples of Usage

**Example 1: Add an Override for the PLTPI for CICS01A:** Command:

```
CICSOVRD NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=SET,OVERVERRIDE=%PLTPI=02%
```

Message Response:

```
EVE556I CICSOVRD Completed successfully
```

**Example 2: Change the Keypoint Option for CICS01A:** Command:

```
CICSOVRD NAME=CICS01A,ACTION=SET,KEYPOINT=OPT
```

Message Response:

```
EVE556I CICSOVRD Completed successfully
```

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## ACF Commands

The following commands are meant to be executed from the ACF command policies.

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>CICSPURG</b> | Purge transactions at CICS shutdown, see “CICSPURG—Purge Transactions.”   |
| <b>CICRSYCY</b> | Refresh CICS information at Agent startup. Run from the ACORESTART policy, see “CICRSYCY—CICS Resync” on page 47. |
| <b>CICSSHUT</b> | Shuts a CICS subsystem down, see “CICSSHUT—Shutdown Processor” on page 48.  |
| <b>EVEERDMP</b> | Creates a system DUMP of the CICS address space, see “EVEERDMP—CICS Dump” on page 48.                             |
| <b>EVEEY00S</b> | Common State Handler, see “EVEEY00S—Common State Handler for State/Action Tables” on page 49.                     |
| <b>CMASSHUT</b> | Shuts a CICS CMAS address space, see “CMASSHUT—CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) Shutdown” on page 49.             |

### CICSPURG—Purge Transactions

| This command will purge running transactions at the time it is issued. It will  
| consult the LISTSHUT MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item (see  
| “LISTSHUT—Transaction Purging During Shutdown” on page 38) to determine  
| which transactions are eligible for purge.

| CICSPURG should be placed in either the pre-shutdown policy or as the first  
| phase of the shutdown policy. Under normal circumstances the default action that  
| CICS takes to purge transactions at shutdown will suffice to get the CICS  
| subsystem to shutdown.



**Format**CICSPURG [*subsys*]**Keyword and Parameter Definitions***subsys*

The symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

**Comments and Usage Notes**

If a subsystem name is not specified, the TGLOBAL SUBSAPPL, which is set by AOCQRY, is used.

**Examples of Usage**

In this example, CICSPURG is used on the second attempt to shutdown this subsystem.

```
Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
```

```
Command Text
```

```
PASS1 _____
```

```
CICSSHUT NORMAL _____
```

```
PASS2 _____
```

```
CICSPURG _____
```

**CICRSYD—CICS Resync**

The purpose of this routine is to resynchronize CICS information with what is currently operational in the system (such as the VTAM ACB status). If a CICS subsystem should be active, and health checking and link monitoring are defined for this subsystem, CICRSYD will activate these monitoring functions. When you define the ACORESTART keyword under the MESSAGES policy item for a CICS application, you must specify CICRSYD as the command. For ACORESTART, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Defining Automation Policy*.

The format is:

**Format**CICRSYD *subsys***Keyword and Parameter Definitions***subsys*

The symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

**Comments and Usage Notes**

If *subsys* is not specified, CICRSYD will access task global SUBSAPPL, which will probably not contain the correct value. The resync process may therefore be attempted on the wrong subsystem.

**Examples of Usage**

In this example, the command is used with the ACORESTART keyword to determine whether or not CICS1 should be active.

```
Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
```

```
Command Text
```

```
CICRSYD CICS1 _____
```

## CICSSHUT—Shutdown Processor

This is an extended command list that determines whether or not this CICS subsystem is running with XRF, so that the proper shutdown command can be called for the shutdown invocation.

### Format

**CICSSHUT** {NORMAL|IMMED|TAKEOVER|DUMP} [*cicsname*] [SDTRAN=*tranid*|NONE]

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*cicsname*

The job name or subsystem name of the CICS. *cicsname* is an optional parameter.

**SDTRAN**=*tranid* | NONE

*tranid* is the name of a CICS transaction that is to run at shutdown. The specified transaction overrides the SIT SDTRAN= specification, or the default CICS-supplied shutdown assist transaction CESD. If 'NONE' is specified, it will be translated into 'NOSDTRAN', meaning that no shutdown assist transaction is to run at shutdown.

The SDTRAN= parameter is optional and valid only for CICS TS for OS/390 V1R1 and higher versions. It is ignored for lower releases of CICS.

This routine invokes CICS transactions and the parameters perform the shutdown as described in the CICS operator manuals. If you are running in XRF and the backup system is active, CEBT is used to perform the shutdown. Otherwise, CEMT is used.

### Comments and Usage Notes

1. The CEMT PERFORM SHUTDOWN types are passed as parameters to this command.
2. CICSSHUT is recommended for all shutdown policies for subsystems automated by CICS Automation.

### Examples of Usage

Pass/Selection Automated Function/'\*'

Command Text

PASS1 \_\_\_\_\_

CICSSHUT NORMAL \_\_\_\_\_

PASS2 \_\_\_\_\_

CICSPURG \_\_\_\_\_

## EVEERDMP—CICS Dump

EVEERDMP will create a dump for specific CICS problems. It dumps the associated MVS region using the MVS DUMP command. It can be used for situations such as short on storage conditions if you want an MVS dump instead of a CICS internal dump.

### Format

**EVEERDMP** {*jobname* | *subsys*}

## Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*jobname*

The jobname for this CICS.

*subsys*

The name by which this CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

## Examples of Usage

```
Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
Command Text
```

```
EVEERDMP &SUBSAPPL _____
```

## EVEEY00S—Common State Handler for State/Action Tables

This routine is used to drive actions defined in the state/action tables. It is typically invoked from the AT (see the examples).

### Format

```
EVEEY00S [MSGID=msgid]
          [,JOB=jobname]
          [,MSGSTR=msgstring]
```

## Keyword and Parameter Definitions

**MSGID=**

The message passed to the state/action table as an event.

**JOB=**

The jobname associated with the event.

**MSGSTR=**

The message string associated with the message. MSGSTR= cannot be coded unless MSGID= is coded.

## Comments and Usage Notes

1. If MSGID= is not specified, the message that invoked the routine is used as the event.
2. If JOB= is not specified, the jobname associated with the message is used.
3. If the routine is **not** invoked from the automation table, MSGID= and JOB= **must** be coded.
4. Refer to “How to Set Up the State/Action Tables” on page 24.

## CMASSHUT—CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) Shutdown

This is a command list that determines whether or not this CICS subsystem is running a CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS). It then uses the CPSM REXX API to shut down the CMAS.

### Format

```
CMASSHUT [masname]
```

## Keyword and Parameter Definitions

*masname*

The job name or subsystem name of the CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS). *masname* is an optional parameter. If *masname* is not specified, the SUBSAPPL task global value is used.

## CMASSHUT—CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) Shutdown

This routine invokes the CICSplex SM (CPSM) Application Programming Interface calls to shut the selected CMAS down.

### Comments and Usage Notes

CMASSHUT is intended as a shutdown command that is to be defined as a shutdown pass in the policy database. It is recommended that this be used to shutdown CICSplex SM Address Space (CMAS) subsystems.

### Examples of Usage

A normal shutdown of the CMAS is requested with the first pass.

```
Pass/Selection Automated Function/'*'
Command Text
PASS1 _____
CMASSHUT _____

PASS2 _____
MVS C &SUBSAPPL _____
```

## Application Programming Interfaces

The following commands are to be invoked from user REXX programs.

**CICSQRY** Get information about a CICS subsystem, see “CICSQRY—Name Lookup.”

**CICSRCMD** Route a command to an Agent that is controlling a CICS subsystem, see “CICSRCMD—Request a CICS Function” on page 53.

## CICSQRY—Name Lookup

Use this routine to retrieve CICS subsystem information.

Note that CICSQRY does not recognize subsystems that are in FALLBACK or MOVED status.

### Format

```
▶▶—CICSQRY—REQ=—VALIDATE— GET— Name options Type options
```

### Name options:

```
—NAME=— subsystem resource jobname
```

### Type options:

```
—TYPE=— CICS GROUP ANY JOBNAME DOMAIN
```

## Keyword and Parameter Definitions

### REQ=

The request type. The request types are:

#### VALIDATE

A search is made for the name (NAME=) and type (TYPE=) specified so that the name can be validated.

#### GET

CICS Automation searches for a specific CICS subsystem to retrieve the subsystem characteristics.

GET and VALIDATE are treated as synonyms. They both check the resource and set the Task global variables.

### NAME=

Used with VALIDATE to provide a specific group, domain, or jobname. Used with GET to provide a specific subsystem value. Valid values for the NAME= variable are:

#### *subsystem*

The name by which a CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

#### *resource*

The resource name in the *name/APL/system* format; thus, for example, APG is not accepted as the resource type.

#### *jobname*

The jobname by which a CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

### TYPE=

Used to provide a specific type. The types are:

#### CICS (default)

Search for a specific CICS subsystem name, as it is known to SA z/OS.

#### ANY

Search for a CICS name first, then a domain, then a group name. If the name is longer than 5 characters the search for a domain is bypassed.

#### DOMAIN

The NetView domain ID.

#### GROUP

If you specify GROUP, CICSQRY returns the name of the group to which the subsystem belongs in the EVELOOKUP\_GROUP variable.

#### JOBNAME

Used with GET to provide a specific jobname. Works only when NAME=jobname.

## Comments and Usage Notes

- The return codes are:

Table 2. CICSQRY Return Codes

RC	Meaning
0	Good.
4	An internal error occurred.
8	A timeout occurred on a request forwarded to a remote system.
12	An internal error occurred.
20	A subsystem, group, or domain was not found for the search criteria specified.
24	The parameters for this request are invalid.
28	An internal error occurred.

## CICSQRY—Name lookup

Table 2. CICSQRY Return Codes (continued)

RC	Meaning
32	Unsupported function.
36	Resource name is ambiguous (more than one resource of the same name exists within the sysplex but none are defined on the local system).
40	System name where the CICS resource resides is not unique within the enterprise.
44	The CICS resource is not unique within the enterprise and its resource tree contains more than one MOVE group (MOVE groups within MOVE groups are not supported by CICSQRY).

2. The following are set in the caller's variable pool:

### **EVELOOKUP\_NAME**

Unless TYPE=JOBNAME, set to the value of the NAME= parameter. If TYPE=JOBNAME, set EVELOOKUP\_NAME to the subsystem name. Otherwise, set to null.

### **EVELOOKUP\_TYPE**

Set to the value of the TYPE= parameter, unless TYPE=ANY or JOBNAME, in which case it is set to CICS or DOMAIN or GROUP as appropriate.

### **EVELOOKUP\_JOBNAME**

The jobname associated with the subsystem.

### **EVELOOKUP\_DOMAIN**

The NetView domain on which SA z/OS, managing this subsystem, is running.

### **EVELOOKUP\_AUTOOPS**

The NetView automated operator that handles automation for this subsystem.

### **EVELOOKUP\_USERVAR**

The VTAM USERVAR (or generic application ID) associated with this subsystem. This is set to '\*\*\*\*\*' if a VTAM USERVAR is not defined.

### **EVELOOKUP\_APPLID**

The specific VTAM application ID associated with this subsystem.

### **EVELOOKUP\_RESHOME**

The location of the resource in the following format:

*sysplex.domain.system\VxRyMz*

### **EVELOOKUP\_RESLIST**

The resource name in the following format

*name/type/system*

### **EVELOOKUP\_AGENTDATA**

Information about the agent responsible for the subsystem in the following format

*agent\_name sysplex\_name system domain agent\_version [netview\_version]*

### **EVELOOKUP\_GROUP**

The name of the group(s) to which the resource belongs.

## Restrictions

The CICSQRY command can only be called in a REXX exec.

## Examples of Usage

### Example 1:

```
CICSQRY REQ=GET NAME=CICSAPL1
```

For RC=0 the following Task Globals are set:

Variable	Value
<i>evelookup_reslist</i>	CICSAPL1/APL/SYS1
<i>evelookup_reshome</i>	TESTPLEX.IPSFM.SYS1\ V3R1M0
<i>evelookup_AgentData</i>	IPSFM TESTPLEX SYS1 IPSFM V3R1M0 V5.1
<i>evelookup_Name</i>	CICSAPL1
<i>evelookup_Domain</i>	IPSFM
<i>evelookup_autoops</i>	AUTWRK01
<i>evelookup_jobname</i>	EYUMAS1M
<i>evelookup_applid</i>	IPSAMC1M
<i>evelookup_uservar</i>	*****
<i>evelookup_majnode</i>	KEY1CICS
<i>evelookup_type</i>	CICS

### Example 2:

```
CICSQRY REQ=GET NAME=CICSAPL1 TYPE=GROUP
```

For RC=0 the following Task Globals are set:

Variable	Value
<i>evelookup_group</i>	CICS/APG/SYS1
<i>evelookup_type</i>	GROUP

## CICSRCMD—Request a CICS Function

This common routine is used to perform the requested function (CMD=) on the domain where the named CICS subsystem resides, whether local or remote. The calling program does not have to be aware of where the CICS subsystem resides. It is particularly useful with single point of control as CICSRCMD first determines the domain in which the subsystem resides before building and issuing the request. It then either calls the requested function if the subsystem is on the local domain, or it forwards the command to the remote domain, thus allowing cross-domain communications.

### Format

```

▶▶ CICSRCMD—NAME=resource—
└─RESP=┌─YES─┐
        └─ACK─┘
        ┌─OPER=operator─┐
        └─CMD=command─▶▶

```

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

**NAME=**

The name by which the target CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.

**RESP=**

Send back a response (YES) or just send an acknowledgment (ACK).

**OPER=**

The operator, on the target domain, that will execute this command. If this is omitted, the assign-by-jobname automation operator is used.

**CMD=**

The requested function to be performed. This may be delimited by single quotes, double quotes, or slashes.

### Comments and Usage Notes

This command will work sysplex-wide. It is enterprise-wide when invoked on a focal point agent with a fully qualified resource name, that is, subsystem/APL/system.

*Table 3. CICSRCMD Return Codes*

RC	Meaning
0	Good.
4	Subsystem name was not supplied.
8	Function to be performed was not supplied.
12	Incorrect keyword supplied.
20	Subsystem was not found on any domain.



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## **Part 3. Using CICS Automation**

This part describes the tasks of the operator who manages CICS subsystems through CICS Automation.



## Chapter 6. Working with CICS Resources

This chapter explains how to use the CICS Automation panels and how to work with subsystems. It assumes that you are familiar with the SA z/OS operator interface. This chapter describes the characteristics of CICS Automation. To thoroughly understand your role as the CICS Automation operator, some hands-on experience with SA z/OS is useful.

### Using CICS Automation Panels

This section explains how to work with the CICS Automation main panel. To start a CICS Automation operator session and display the CICS Automation Main Menu, enter CICS on a NetView command line.

#### Using the Main Menu

The main menu lists all tasks available with the operator interface.

```
EVEK0000          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs
Domain ID = IPSFM  ----- CICS -----      Date = 08/30/02
Operator ID = NETOP1                               Time = 17:14:47

Resource          =>                               Format: name/type/system
System            =>                               System name, domain ID or sysplex name

   1. Inquire           Display CICS Information      INGCICS REQ=INFO
   2. Start             Start a CICS subsystem        INGREQ REQ=START
   3. Shutdown         Shutdown a CICS subsystem    INGREQ REQ=STOP
   4. Triggers          Display trigger conditions  DISPTRG
   5. Service Periods  Perform scheduling functions  INGSCHED
   6. Master Terminal  Perform master terminal cmds  INGCICS REQ=CMD
   7. Monitoring       Perform monitoring functions
   8. Broadcast        Send messages to users        INGCICS REQ=BROADCAST

  99. Local Functions  Provide access to user defined local functions

Command ==>
PF1=Help    PF2=End    PF3=Return          PF6=Ro11
                                     PF12=Retrieve
```

Figure 7. CICS Automation Main Menu

The following describes the options you can select on the main menu:

#### 1. Inquire

This option invokes the INGCICS REQ=INFO command which will execute a preset sequence of commands and display the results.

The preset sequence of commands must all be CEMT commands and they are defined in the subsystem's CICSINFO MESSAGES/USER DATA policy item.

#### 2. Start

This option initiates the startup process of a resource. By choosing this option you issue the INGREQ command. See "Startup" on page 58.

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### 3. Shutdown

This option initiates the shutdown process of a resource. By choosing this option you issue the INGREQ command. See “Starting and Stopping Resources.”

### 4. Triggers

This option displays the triggers associated with a resource. By choosing this option you issue the DISPTRG command. See *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*.

### 5. Service Periods

Use this option if you want to display or override the schedule associated with a resource. By choosing this option you call the INGSCHED command. See *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*.

### 6. Master Terminal

This option invokes the INGCICS REQ=CMD command which allows you to enter a command to be executed on the CICS subsystem. The output of the commands will be displayed.

### 7. Monitoring

Use this option to work with link monitoring and health checking. See “Monitoring Your CICS Subsystems” on page 62.

### 8. Broadcast

This option invokes the INGCICS REQ=BROADCAST command which allows you to specify the parameters for the CMSG transaction. It will then execute the transaction and return the results to the display.

### 99. Local Functions

CICS Automation allows your system programmer to add functions to this operator interface. If functions have been added at your installation, you would select this option to view a menu of them.

**Note:** The options 7 and 99 are only valid for the local sysplex. You cannot access a remote sysplex with any of these functions.

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## Starting and Stopping Resources

CICS Automation uses the INGREQ command of SA z/OS for starting and stopping resources. For information on INGREQ, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*. The following describes things to consider when starting or stopping a CICS resource.

### Startup

If you select option 2, Startup, on the main menu, the INGREQ command dialog is displayed:

```

INGKYRU0          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs
Domain ID = IPSFM ----- INGREQ ----- Date = 05/03/00
Operator ID = NETOP1                               Time = 12:34:09

Resource => CICS1H/APL/KEY1          format: name/type/system
System   =>                          System name, domain ID or sysplex name

Request  => START                    Request type (START, UP or STOP, DOWN)
Type     => NORM                     Type of processing (NORM/IMMED/FORCE/user) or ?
Scope   => ONLY                     Request scope (ONLY/CHILDREN/ALL)
Priority => LOW                      Priority of request (FORCE/HIGH/LOW)
Expire   =>                          , Expiration date(yyyy-mm-dd), time(hh:mm)
Timeout => 0 / MSG                 Interval in minutes / Option (MSG/CANCEL)
AutoRemove =>                      Remove when (SYSGONE, UNKNOWN)
Restart => NO                      Restart resource after shutdown (YES/NO)
Override => NO                     (ALL/NO/TRG/FLG/DPY/STS/UOW/INIT)
Verify  => YES                     Check affected resources (YES/NO/WTOR)
Precheck => YES                    Precheck for flags and passes (YES/NO)
Appl Parm =>

AOF710A VERIFY/REVISE INPUT AND THEN PRESS ENTER
Command ==>>
PF1=Help    PF2=End    PF3=Return          PF6=Roll
PF12=Retrieve
  
```

Figure 8. Input Panel for the INGREQ Command

The CICS-specific features apply to the Type, Override, and Appl Parm fields:

**Type** In this field, you can specify the start type. The possible values depend on the CICS version as follows:

Start Type	Explanation	Valid for
AUTO	Uses the restart data set to determine the startup type.	All releases
COLD	Initiates a cold start.	All releases
INITIAL	Initiates a cold start with additional processing for CICS TS resources.	CICS TS V1R1 and above
LOGTERM	Initiates a startup, and then a shutdown as soon as the startup is complete.	Pre CICS TS V1R1
NORM	This is the same as AUTO.	
STANDBY	Initiates a start for an XRF backup.	All releases

The SA z/OS-supported start types may not be meaningful for some releases of CICS. For example, LOGTERM is not supported by CICS Transaction Server. In addition the NORM start type is the default start type that is used by SA z/OS. This can be useful when you want to COLD start CICS normally, but AUTO start it after an abend.

If CICS is set up to prompt with message DFHPA1104 during startup, to indicate that it is ready to read parameters from the console, then System Automation will reply with START=AUTO whenever it comes to the conclusion that a start type of NORM or AUTO is to be performed.

If you want to see the startup types that have actually been defined for the subsystem to be started, enter a question mark in the Type field and press ENTER. You will see a panel like the following:

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```

AOFKSEL3          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs          Line 1 of 4
Domain ID = IPSFM  ----- INGREQ -----          Date = 05/03/00
Operator ID = SCHR                                     Time = 12:34:12

The following start types are defined for CICSK1H/APL/KEY1
Select one item to be processed, then press ENTER.

      Sel  Start types
      ---  -----
      -    AUTO
      -    COLD
      -    INITIAL
      -    NORM

Command ==>
PF1=Help    PF2=End    PF3=Return
PF6=Roll                                         PF12=Retrieve
  
```

Enter s in the **Sel** column to select the desired type.

**Note:** When you select a startup type that is valid for CICS, but has not been defined in the STARTUP policy item of the target resource, INGREQ issues the command defined for the NORM startup type in the STARTUP item. If that entry does not exist either, the command MVS START *jobname* is issued.

### Override

The following values are CICS specific:

Value	Condition overridden
INIT	This override allows you to select a start type other than INITIAL although an INITIAL start has been requested for CICS.
UOW	This override allows you to select the INITIAL or COLD startup type, although <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The field <b>Keypoint req</b> of the CICS CONTROL policy item is set to YES in the policy database for this application, AND</li> <li>2. Indoubt units of work were detected during the last shutdown of CICS, or no warm keypoint was taken during the last execution.</li> </ol>

### Appl Parm

You can enter overrides to the system initialization table (SIT) in the following format:

*KEYWORD=value*

For details see the CICS documentation.

**Note:** To use this function, your CICS must be set up to allow SIT overrides input from the console.

You can specify more than one parameter in this field. The entries must be separated by a blank or a comma.

If you have not changed the default value of YES for the **Verify** field, CICS Automation will display a verification panel (see Figure 9) after you have pressed ENTER. This panel displays the target resource and in addition all the resources which SA z/OS will try to start because the startability of the selected resource directly or indirectly depends on them.

```

AOFKVFY1          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs          Line 1    of 3
Domain ID = IPSFM  ----- INGREQ -----          Date = 05/03/00
Operator ID = SCHR                                     Time = 12:34:11

Verify list of affected resources for request START

CMD: S show overrides  T show trigger details  V show votes
Cmd Name      Type System  TRG SVP  W Action Type  Observed Stat
-----
CICSK1H      APL  KEY2                Y      AUTO  UNAVAILABLE
JES2         APL  KEY2                AUTO  UNAVAILABLE
VTAM         APL  KEY2                AUTO  UNAVAILABLE

Command ==>
PF1=Help  PF2=End    PF3=Return          PF6=Ro11
                    PF10=G0     PF11=CANCEL        PF12=Retrieve
  
```

Figure 9. Verification Panel for INGREQ

For more information on the verification panel of INGREQ, see *IBM Tivoli System Automation for z/OS Operator's Commands*.

## Shutdown

When you select option 3, Shutdown, from the main menu panel, the INGREQ panel displays as follows.

```

INGKYRU0          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs          Date = 05/03/00
Domain ID = IPSFM  ----- INGREQ -----          Time = 16:43:22
Operator ID = SCHR

Resource => CICSK4C/APL/KEY2          format: name/type/system
System   =>                          System name, domain ID or sysplex name

Request  => STOP          Request type (START, UP or STOP, DOWN)
Type     => NORM          Type of processing (NORM/IMMED/FORCE/user) or ?
Scope    => ONLY          Request scope (ONLY/CHILDREN/ALL)
Priority  => LOW           Priority of request (HIGH/LOW)
Expire   =>              , Expiration date(yyyy-mm-dd), time(hh:mm)
Timeout  => 0 / MSG       Interval in minutes / Option (MSG/CANCEL)
AutoRemove =>            Remove when (SYSGONE, UNKNOWN)
Restart  => NO            Restart resource after shutdown (YES/NO)
Override => NO            (ALL/NO/TRG/FLG/DPY/STS/UOW/INIT)
Verify   => YES          Check affected resources (YES/NO/WTOR)
Precheck => YES          Precheck for flags and passes (YES/NO)
Appl Parm =>

Command ==>
PF1=Help  PF2=End    PF3=Return          PF6=Ro11
                    PF12=Retrieve
  
```

Figure 10. Input Panel for INGREQ Command

### Monitoring Your CICS Subsystems

CICS Automation provides two functions to monitor CICS subsystems:

- Link monitoring
- Health checking

Select option 7, Monitoring, from the main menu to display the CICS Automation Monitoring panel, as shown:

```
EVEKM000          SA/CICS - Monitoring          Date: 08/30/02
                                                    Time: 12:35

Resource          => CICSK1H/APL/KEY1          (? for list)

1. Link monitoring
2. Health checking

Command ==>>
F1=Help          F2=End          F3=Return          F6=Roll
```

Figure 11. CICS Automation Monitoring Panel

The following sections, “Link Monitoring” and “Health Checking” on page 66 provide further information about these two functions.

### Link Monitoring

Link monitoring verifies that the interregion and intersystem connections (IRC and ISC) are active. This verification occurs at fixed intervals. When a link failure is detected, link monitoring performs automatic recovery actions.

Basic link monitoring only ensures that the VTAM connections are available. To verify the other end of the link, the so-called echo facility, also referred to as *echoplexing*, must be activated. This is supported for links to CICS and IMS.

You can access the Link Monitoring interface in two ways, from NetView and from CICS. To access Link Monitoring from NetView, use option 7 from the CICS Automation main menu. To access Link Monitoring from CICS, log on to CICS and issue C0L0 as a transaction. This action will invoke the Link Monitoring interface running under CICS.

From the Monitoring panel of the CICS Automation operator interface, select option 1 to display the following:



```

EVEKM100          SA/CICS - Link Monitoring
                                     Date: 08/30/02
                                     Time: 14:19

Resource          => CICSK1H/APL/KEY1          (? for list)

Current monitor status . . : UNKNOWN

      1. Start              Start link monitor
      2. Stop               Stop link monitor
      3. Display            Display links
      4. News               Update system news

Command ==>>
F1=Help   F2=End   F3=Return          F5=Refresh   F6=Roll
  
```

Figure 12. Monitoring Links Panel

The **Current Monitor Status** field shows the status of the link monitor for this subsystem. You can choose among the options listed to start or stop the link monitor, display the link, or update system news.

**Note:** If an option is preceded by an asterisk instead of a number, the option is not valid with the current status. For example, START would not be a valid option if the monitor status is ON.

Starting or restarting link monitoring for a subsystem is useful after a system configuration change because all definitions controlling link monitoring are re-loaded. When you display the links, option 3, the system news, is also displayed.

### Displaying Links

Select the “Display” option from the Link Monitoring panel to view the following panel:

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```
EVEKM130          SA/CICS - Display Links
Resource . . . . . CICS2      (? for list)      Date: 01/03/02
                                                Time: 10:20
                                                More:
Select a command: 1. mon on   3. echo on   5. recover
                  2. mon off  4. echo off  6. details  7. periods

Cmd  Conn  Applid  Description      Desired  Actual  Mon  Last  Echoplex
      -    -    -      -              status   status  -    -    -
-    C01A  CICS1   CICS2 TO CICS1  UP       UP      ON   11:32 ON
-    C01B  CICS3   CICS2 TO CICS2  UP       DOWN   ON   10:00 ON
-    C01C  IMS01   CICS2 TO IMS01  UP       UP      ON   11:31 ON
-    C01D  AS400   CICS2 TO AS400  UP       UP      ON   11:33 ON

.....
SYSTEM NEWS: CICS3 will be unavailable 01/05/00 from 0800-1200 for
system maintenance.
.....

F1=Help      F2=End      F3=Return   F4=CICS menu  F5=Refresh   F6=Roll
```

Figure 13. Display Links Panel

From this panel, you can:

- Reactivate monitoring for a link.
- Deactivate monitoring for a link.
- Reactivate the echo facility for a link. You use this function when the echo facility has been turned off or when it has been disabled by link monitoring.
- Deactivate the echo facility for a link.
- Initiate a recovery action for a link.
- View details about a specific link.
- View a day's schedule.
- View the schedule for seven days.
- Override the schedule. This is similar to service period overrides.

The Display Links panel displays the following information:

<b>Subsystem</b>	The symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem is known to SA z/OS.
<b>Conn</b>	The four-character symbolic name by which this link is known to this CICS subsystem. This is defined on the CICS subsystem itself (SYSID) and in the <b>Connection id</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object.
<b>Applid</b>	The symbolic name by which the remote subsystem is identified to VTAM.
<b>Description</b>	A short description of the link.
<b>Desired status</b>	What the status of this link should be: <b>UP</b> Current time is within a link monitoring period. <b>DOWN</b> Current time is outside a link monitoring period.
<b>Actual status</b>	The last status obtained. Statuses are: <b>UP</b> Link is available. <b>DOWN</b> Link is not available. <b>TROUBLE</b> Link is being recovered after a link failure. <b>UNKNOWN</b> Connection has not yet been monitored, or the current time is outside the monitoring period of the link.
<b>Mon</b>	Specifies the status of link monitoring for the link: <b>ON</b> Link monitoring is active. <b>OFF</b> Link monitoring has been deactivated by the operator.
<b>Last check</b>	Specifies the time in hours and minutes of the last check for this link.
<b>Echoplex</b>	Specifies the status of the echo facility for the link: <b>blanks</b> The echo facility is not being used. <b>nnnnnnnn</b> Number of messages sent and received to and from the remote system. <b>PROBLEMS</b> The echo facility did not receive a response from the remote system within the echo delay time specified in the <b>Echo</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object linked to the subsystem. <b>FAILED</b> The echo facility detected an error. <b>DISABLED</b> The echo facility could not recover from a failure and is inoperative. <b>OFF</b> The echo facility has been deactivated by operator. <b>ON</b> Echoplexing is done when the link status changes to UP.
<b>System News</b>	Specifies up to 210 characters of installation-specific information that can be entered by the operator with the System News option.

If you select option 6, Details, from the Display links panel you will see the following information:

<b>Local application ID</b>	The symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem
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	is identified to VTAM and is defined in the APPLid field of the CICS CONTROL policy item.
<b>Remote application ID</b>	The symbolic name by which the remote subsystem (at the other end of the link) is identified to VTAM.
<b>Connection type</b>	Specifies the type of communication: MRO, LU6.1, or LU6.2.
<b>Time zone location</b>	Specifies the difference in hours and minutes between the remote link subsystem and Greenwich time. EAST and WEST indicate where the subsystem is situated compared to Greenwich.
<b>Last monitoring check</b>	Specifies the time in hours and minutes of the last check for this link.
<b>Echoplex status</b>	Specifies the status of the echo facility for the link.
<b>Average response time</b>	Average response time of the echo facility over the last five minutes.
<b>Service status</b>	Specifies whether the link is in service.
<b>Acquire status</b>	Specifies whether the link is acquired.
<b>Check interval</b>	Specifies the interval after which the status of the link is checked regularly.
<b>Max. recovery actions</b>	Specifies the maximum number of automatic recovery actions after detection of a link failure, as defined in the <b>Max repair tries</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object.
<b>Release delay time</b>	Specifies the time delay between a CICS request to release the link and the next CICS request for that link, as defined in the <b>Release delay</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object.
<b>Acquire delay time</b>	Specifies the time delay between a CICS request to acquire the link and the next CICS request for that link, as defined in the <b>Acquire delay</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object.
<b>Remote system type</b>	Specifies the type of the remote system.
<b>Remote echo process</b>	Specifies the name of the remote echo process as defined in the <b>Echo</b> field of the CICS CONNECTION policy object.
<b>Echo delay time</b>	Specifies the time delay after which an echo response must have been received from the remote system.
<b>Monitoring periods</b>	Specifies the intervals (in the remote system's local time) during which the link is monitored.

## Health Checking

Through health checking, you execute programs that check the health of an application running under CICS. CICS Automation initiates a health check program by sending a request across the program-to-program interface to CICS. CICS invokes the program, and sends back an Acknowledgement (ACK),

indicating that the program executed as expected, or it sends a Negative Acknowledgement (NACK), indicating that the program did not execute as expected. A NACK includes data describing the error.

Because health checking is application specific, the actual health checking programs must be written by programmers in your installation. CICS Automation does, however, provide some samples for system programmers in the CICS Automation source library.

Health check routines are executed automatically at timed intervals. When CICS Automation receives an abnormal response from CICS (NACK) or when a timeout occurs, CICS Automation sends out notification messages. CICS Automation panels can also be used to manually work with health checking.

Select option 2, Health checking, from the CICS Automation Monitoring panel to display the following:

```

EVEKM200          SA/CICS - Health Checking          Page: 1 of 1
                                                         Date: 01/09/02
Resource . . . . . CICS2      (? for list)          Time: 10:20

Select a command:  1. Start          3. Suspend          5. Detail
                  2. Stop           4. Resume           6. Immed check

                                Last Status Check
CMD  Program  Description          Status    Date    Time    Response
-   HCPAY1    CHECK PAYROLL DATA  ACTIVE   01/09/00 10:32:00 ABNORMAL
-   HCEDI5    ACCESS TO EDITOR     INACTIV  01/06/00 09:00:00 NORMAL
-   HCFULL    95% FULL CONDITION  ACTIVE   01/09/00 11:30:05 NORMAL
-   HCACTV    95% ACTIVE CONDITION ACTIVE   01/09/00 09:09:59 NORMAL
-   HCAREC    ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE  ACTIVE   01/09/00 11:33:00 ABNORMAL
-   HCTERMA   95% TERMINALS ACTIVE  INACTIV  01/06/00 09:00:00 NORMAL
-   HCOU1     ACCESS TO OUTMAIL FILE ACTIVE   01/09/00 11:33:10 ABNORMAL
-   HGIN1     ACCESS TO INMAIL FILE INACTIV  01/06/00 09:10:00 ABNORMAL
-   HCPAY2    PAYROLL SUBMIT       ACTIVE   01/09/00 08:32:55 NORMAL
-   HCTERM2   REMOTE TERMINAL PROGRAM INACTIV  01/03/00 08:00:00 NORMAL

Command====>
F1=Help      F2=End      F3=Return   F4=CICS menu F5=Refresh  F6=Ro11
    
```

*Figure 14. Health Checking Panel*

The Health Checking panel lists the health check routines for a particular subsystem. The list includes:

- The program name
- The description
- The status (ACTIVE, INACTIV, or SUSPEND, which shows whether automatic execution is active)
- A time stamp of the last time the routine ran
- The response (NORMAL or ABNORMAL).

From this panel, you can:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Start</b></li> <li>2. <b>Stop</b></li> <li>3. <b>Suspend</b></li> <li>4. <b>Resume</b></li> </ol> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiate automation of a routine</li> <li>Stop automation of a routine</li> <li>Temporarily stop automation execution of a routine</li> <li>Continue with a process that was temporarily stopped</li> </ul> |
|--|--|

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- 5. Detail Expand upon the given information to show the details of a health check routine
- 6. Immed check Immediately submit a status check regardless of status and scheduled time interval

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## Broadcasting Messages

INGCICS REQ=BROADCAST allows you to send messages to any user of the CICS subsystem. Figure 15 shows a sample Broadcast Messages panel:

```
EVEKYCMD          SA z/OS - Command Dialogs          Line
Domain ID = IPSFM  ----- INGCICS -----          Date = 08/30/02
Operator ID = NETOP1                               Time = 18:45:43

Resource          => CICS1H/APL/KEY1                Format: name/type/system
System            =>                               System name, domain ID or sysplex name
Request           => BROADCAST                        CMD, BROADCAST or INFO
CICS Transaction => CMSG R=&ROUTE, '&MESSAGE', HEADING=YES, S
CICS Route        => ALL
CICS Message      =>
                  =>

AOF145I PARAMETER MISSING
Command ==>>
PF1=Help    PF2=End    PF3=Return  PF4=DISPINFO    PF6=Roll
PF9=Refresh                                PF12=Retrieve
```

Figure 15. Broadcast Messages Panel

The &ROUTE and &MESSAGE items are placeholders for the information in the Route and Message lines. The CICS transaction field is automatically filled with the text above. You can make changes to it before pressing Enter to execute the transaction. Specify the routing information in the route field - routing information format is the same as specified for the CMSG transaction. Specify the message in the two message fields provided.

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## Chapter 7. The Status Display Facility

The Status Display Facility uses color to represent the various subsystem resource statuses such as error, warning, action, or informational states. Typically, a subsystem shown in green on a Status Display Facility status panel indicates that it is up, whereas red indicates a stopped or problem state.

The Status Display Facility status display panels can be tailored to present the status of system components in a hierarchical manner. The hierarchical display of status information is implemented using tree structures. A tree structure always starts with the system name as the root component. The “leaves” of the tree are the monitored resources.

Color can be propagated up or down the leaves of the tree structure based on the order of dependencies. The effect of propagation is to consolidate, at the root component, the status of all the monitored resources in that system. In this way, the color of the root component reflects the most important or critical status in a computer operations center. If all the monitored resources are green, the root component (the system) will be green.

CICS Automation provides additional Status Display Facility panels that monitor events that occur in the following areas for all CICS regions defined to CICS Automation:

| **Health**

| Messages associated with health checking are routed to the Status Display  
| Facility health checking panels.

| **Link Monitor**

| Messages associated with link monitoring are routed to the Status Display  
| Facility link monitoring panels.

| **CICS Storage**

| Storage violation messages are routed to the Status Display Facility storage  
| panels.

| **CICSplex Monitor**

| CICSplex alerts and messages are routed to the Status Display Facility  
| CICSplex Monitor panels.

| **CICS Transaction**

| Messages associated with transactions are routed to the Status Display  
| Facility transactions panels.

To use the CICS Automation Status Display Facility panels, enter **SDF** on a NetView panel command line. A panel similar to the following is displayed:

SYSTEM		SA z/OS - SUPPORT SYSTEMS			
System	Subsystems	WTORs	Gateways	Products	System
KEY1	IMS712M1	IM631C4	IPUFMI	C I D O	P V M B T U
KEY2	CICSK4D	NETATST2	IPSFNO	C I D O	P V M B T U
KEY3			IPSF00	C I D O	P V M B T U
KEY4				C I D O	P V M B T U

09/03/05 15:23

===>

1=HELP 2=DETAIL 3=RETURN 6=ROLL 8=NEXT SCR 10=LEFT 11=RIGHT 12=TOP

*Figure 16. Status Display Facility Main Panel*

**Note:** Sample Status Display Facility panels are provided with CICS Automation. The programmer customizes the panels for your specific environment, so the panels shown here will not look exactly like your panels.

This could be your primary panel that lists the systems and their status. The color of KEY1 through KEY4 will reflect the most critical status of any resource in that system.

If you place the cursor under the letter **C** on the panel displayed in Figure 16 and press PF8, the following panel displays (assuming you are using the default sample panels):



```

KEY1C          KEY1 CICS MONITOR PANEL

Health
Link Monitor
CICS Storage
CICSplex Monitor
CICS Transaction

====>
PF1=HELP 2=DETAIL 3=END 6=ROLL 7=UP 8=DN          10/11/05 10:13
                                                    12=TOP

```

Figure 17. The CICS Monitor Panel

This shows several categories in which CICS status is important. If the letter C shown on the previous panel was red, then at least one of the items on the CICS Monitor panel will be red. Tab down to the red item and press PF8. This displays the messages logged against that item, as shown in the following:

```

KEY1CLM1      CICS Link Monitor

          System      Message text
09/03/05  10:31:31  CICSK1H  "EVE819I CICSK1H : IM4A - CRITICAL CONNECTION TO

====>
PF1=HELP 2=DETAIL 3=RET          6=ROLL 7=UP 8=DN          09/03/05 15:30
                                                    11=RT 12=TOP

```

Figure 18. The CICS Link Monitor Panel

**Note:** If the full message is not displayed on the screen, press PF11 to shift to the right.

To see the details of a message, tab down to that message and press PF2. This displays the following:

```
----- DETAIL STATUS DISPLAY -----
                                     1 OF 4

COMPONENT: CICSA                      SYSTEM : KEY2
COLOR   : RED                          PRIORITY : 200
DATE    : 09/03/05                     TIME     : 08:00:32
REPORTER : GATAOF06                     NODE     : AOF06
REFERENCE VALUE: CICSA_TI_
'START DENIED BY OTHER EXIT'

===>
PF3=RET 4=FPI 6=ROLL 7=UP 8=DN 9=AST 10=DEL 11=BOT 12=TOP
```

Figure 19. The Detail Status Display Panel

To delete a message, press PF10.

**Note:** If any of the panels have 1 of X in the upper-right corner of the screen, where X is a number greater than 1, subsequent panels contain additional data. Press PF8 to scroll forward to view the information. Press PF7 to scroll back.

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## Chapter 8. NMC Display Support

The following messages and events are displayed on NMC for the subsystem that they occur in.

The alerts are attached to the subsystem as a minor resource. They have the following resource names:

*Table 4. Resource Names of Alerts*

Alert	Resource
Name Messages	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.MSG/message_id
Health Checking	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.HEALTH
Autoinstall	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.AUTO_INSTALL
Link Monitoring	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.LMT
CICS Storage	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.STORAGE
CICS Transactions	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.TRAN/tranname

In addition, for systems with CPSM active and SAM and RTA monitors writing to consoles via WTO, the following alerts will be attached to the subsystem as minor resources:

*Table 5. Further Resource Names of Alerts*

Alert	Resource Name
Transaction Dumps	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/SAM/TDM/abcode/userid/termid/tranid
System Dumps	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/SAM/SDM/abcode/userid/termid/tranid
Short on Storage	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/SAM/SOS/dsname
Max. Task	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/SAM/MAX
Stall	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/SAM/STL/type
Any user-defined RTA	plexname.resname/APL/sysname.RTA/restype/resname/defname



## Appendix. CICS Automation and the Program-to-Program Interface

### Warning!

CICS Automation uses the program-to-program interface for issuing CEMT transactions from the operator interface, for link monitoring, and for health checking. If you are considering using the CICS Automation program-to-program interface code for your own purposes, remember that this interface is release sensitive. The significance of this is that you may need to recompile or make changes to your code to be compatible with new releases of CICS Automation or NetView.

## Program-to-Program Interface Components in NetView and CICS

Figure 20 illustrates CICS Automation program-to-program interface components in NetView and in CICS.

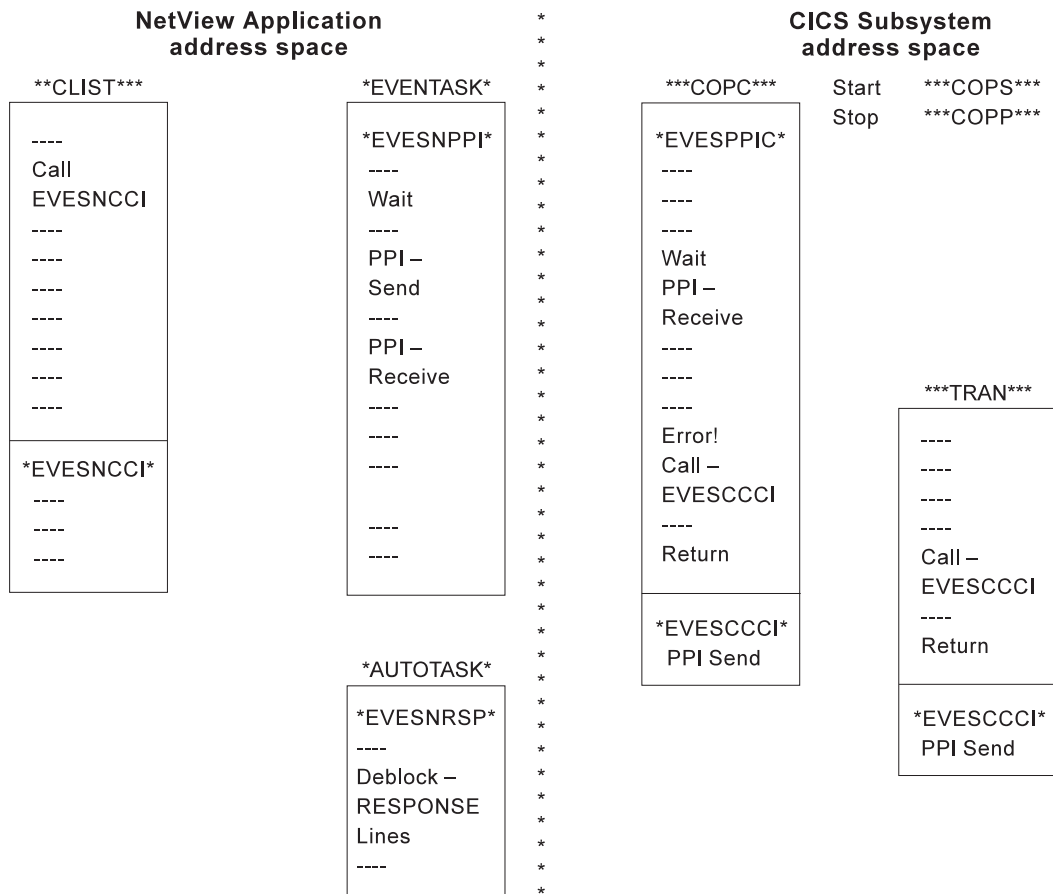


Figure 20. Program-to-Program Interface Components in NetView and CICS. Two of the programs shown in this figure have not been previously mentioned: EVESNPPI and EVESPPIC. EVESNPPI is the NetView subtask program. EVESPPIC is the CICS long-running receiver program. These are internal programs and are not described in this manual.

### NetView Requests Using the Program-to-Program Interface

The following requests from NetView are described in this section:

- CONVERSE
- SEND
- CANCEL

EVESNCCI is used for these requests. This section only provides an overview of how EVESNCCI works. The programming details, such as command syntax, return codes, and segment support, are provided in “EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface” on page 83.

#### CONVERSE from NetView

A CONVERSE request from a NetView command list (or command processor) starts a CICS transaction on the same host. The CICS transaction is expected to return a response to a specified NetView task in a named NetView domain. The response can have the form of a RESPONSE, an ACK, or a NACK.

The EVESX001 (CICSSEC) and EVESX022 (CICSQRY) command processors are called to verify the authorization of the caller and to obtain the VTAM application identifier, which is used as the program-to-program interface receiver identification. EVESNCCI returns a message and a return code indicating whether the command was successful or not. If the command is accepted, it is forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task.

The EVENTASK optional task uses the program-to-program interface to notify CICS that the transaction is to be started.

The started transaction retrieves the input data. The CICS transaction returns a response to NetView. The response is sent back to the EVENTASK optional task using the program-to-program interface. The processing of the response sent to NetView differs for the various response types, as described below:

##### A for ACK

The following message is sent to the requestor:

```
EVE128I POSITIVE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
```

##### N for NACK

The following message is sent to the requestor:

```
EVE129E response-data
```

where *response-data* is the data returned by the CICS program.

##### R for RESPONSE

When this request type is used, the NetView program-to-program interface initialization member is interrogated to locate the function requested so that the command list can be identified. The request is then scheduled under the autotask associated with the requested function, after which the data is sent to the requestor.

The following figure illustrates the flow of events initiated by an EVESNCCI CONVERSE request:

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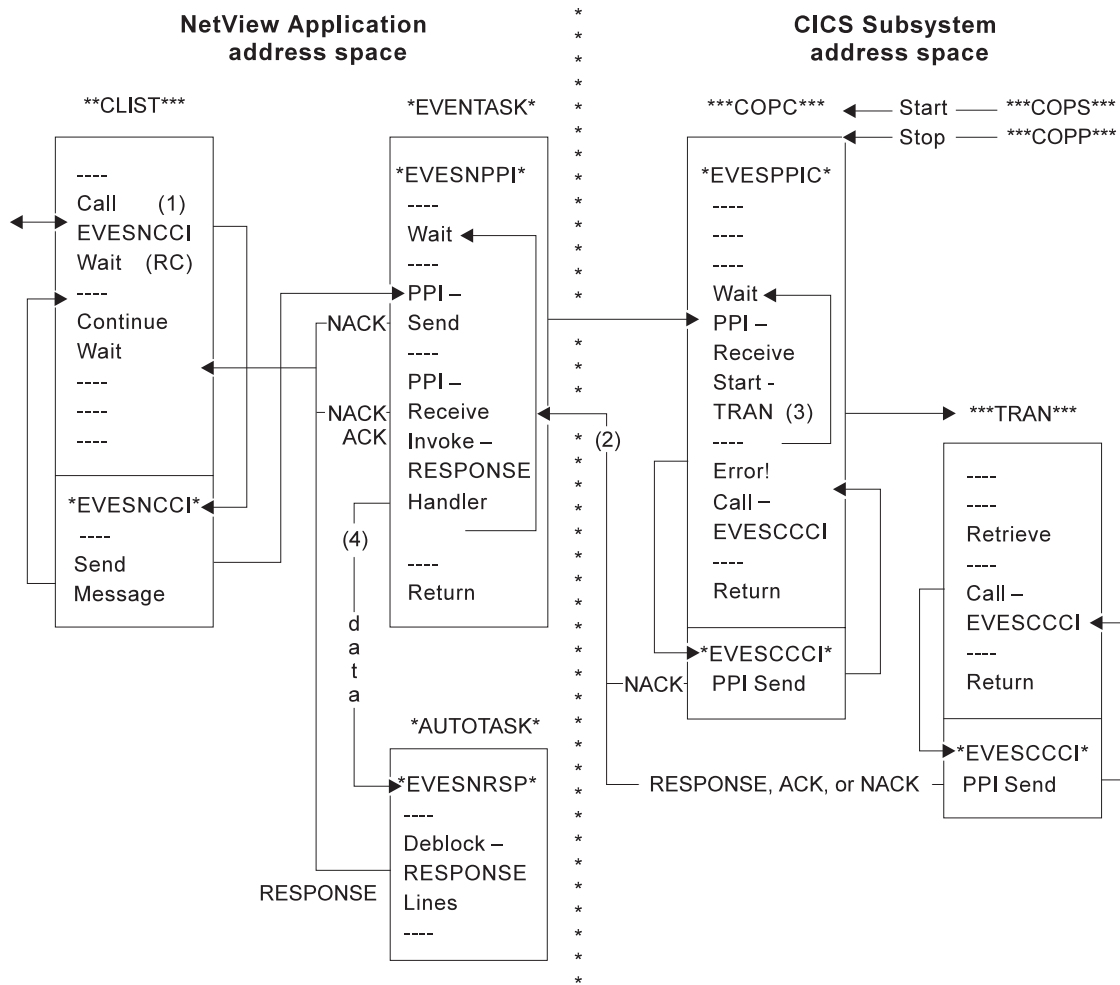


Figure 21. An EVESNCCI CONVERSE Request

### Notes:

1. Parameters passed with EVESNCCI indicate the request type (in this case C for CONVERSE), the target CICS, the name of the function to be invoked, data (if required), and the requesting operator ID and domain ID.
2. The responses (RESPONSE, ACK, or NACK) are returned from CICS to the requestor (operator ID and domain ID).
3. The function name is used to locate the transaction name in the CICS initialization member. If the transaction name cannot be found, a NACK response is returned.
4. The name of the autotask and the name of the command processor or command list in NetView are obtained using the function name in the NetView initialization member. If the name or names cannot be found, or if the scheduling of the autotask fails, a NACK response is returned.

## SEND from NetView

A SEND request from a NetView command list starts a CICS transaction on the same host. No response is returned. The EVESX001 (CICSSEC) and EVESX022 (CICSQRY) command processors verify the authorization of the caller and obtain the VTAM application identifier, which is used as the program-to-program interface receiver identification. EVESNCCI returns a message and return code

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indicating whether the command was successful or not. If the command is accepted, it is forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task. This task uses the program-to-program interface to notify CICS to start the transaction.

Errors found by EVESNCCI are returned to the caller. Other errors detected during the processing of a SEND request are not returned. These errors are only logged.

Refer to the following figure:

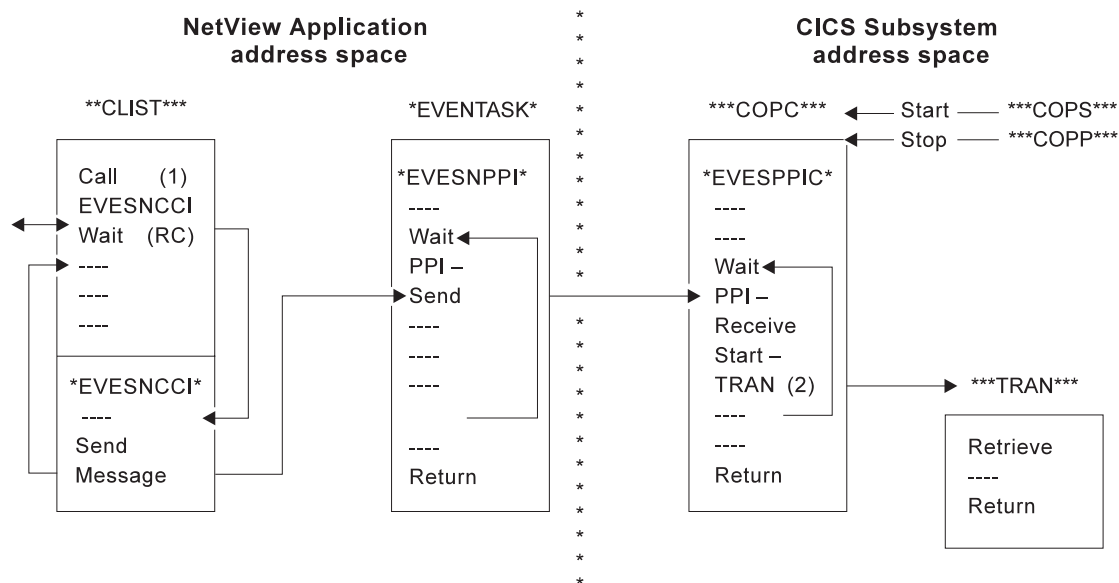


Figure 22. An EVESNCCI SEND Request

### Notes:

1. Parameters passed with EVESNCCI indicate the request type (in this case S for SEND), the target CICS, the name of the function to be invoked, and data (if required).
2. The function name is used to locate the transaction name in the CICS initialization member.

## CANCEL from NetView

The maximum amount of text that can be specified on the EVESNCCI command is limited to 240 bytes, including the command name EVESNCCI. The maximum amount of data that can be specified varies with the particular EVESNCCI command, but it is always less than 240 bytes. The CICS Automation program-to-program interface implementation provides segment support which allows up to 32656 bytes to be sent from NetView to another program-to-program interface receiver. Segment support is described in "EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface" on page 83 (refer to the SEGMENT= keyword and the usage notes).

The EVESNCCI CANCEL request is used when the segment assembly process must be terminated. This request type causes all saved segments for the specified segment identifier to be freed. If the command is accepted, it is always successful, whether saved segments with the specified segment identifier exist or not.



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Users of the segment function are requested to use CANCEL when applicable. This prevents the NetView application system from being filled with unused data.

Errors found by EVESNCCI are returned to the caller. Each CANCEL is logged.

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## CICS Requests Using the Program-to-Program Interface

The following requests from CICS are described in this section:

- CONVERSE
- SEND

EVESCCCI is used for these requests. This section only provides an overview of EVESCCCI. The programming details, such as command syntax and return codes, are provided in “EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface” on page 89.

### CONVERSE from CICS

A CONVERSE request from a CICS transaction starts a command list or a command processor in the NetView application system on the same host. The command list or command processor is expected to return a response to the CICS transaction. The response can have the form of a RESPONSE, an ACK, or a NACK.

If the request is accepted, EVESCCCI sends the request to the EVENTASK optional task. The EVENTASK optional task translates the function specification to a command list or command processor name using the EVENTASK initialization member. The autotask under which the command list or processor is to be executed is also obtained from the EVENTASK initialization member.

Errors found by EVESCCCI are returned to the caller. When other errors are detected during the processing of a CONVERSE request, the CICS Automation uses the program-to-program interface to return a NACK response to the CICS transaction. The NACK response data indicates the type of error that occurred. The NACK response is logged via message EVE180E.

Refer to Figure 23 on page 80.

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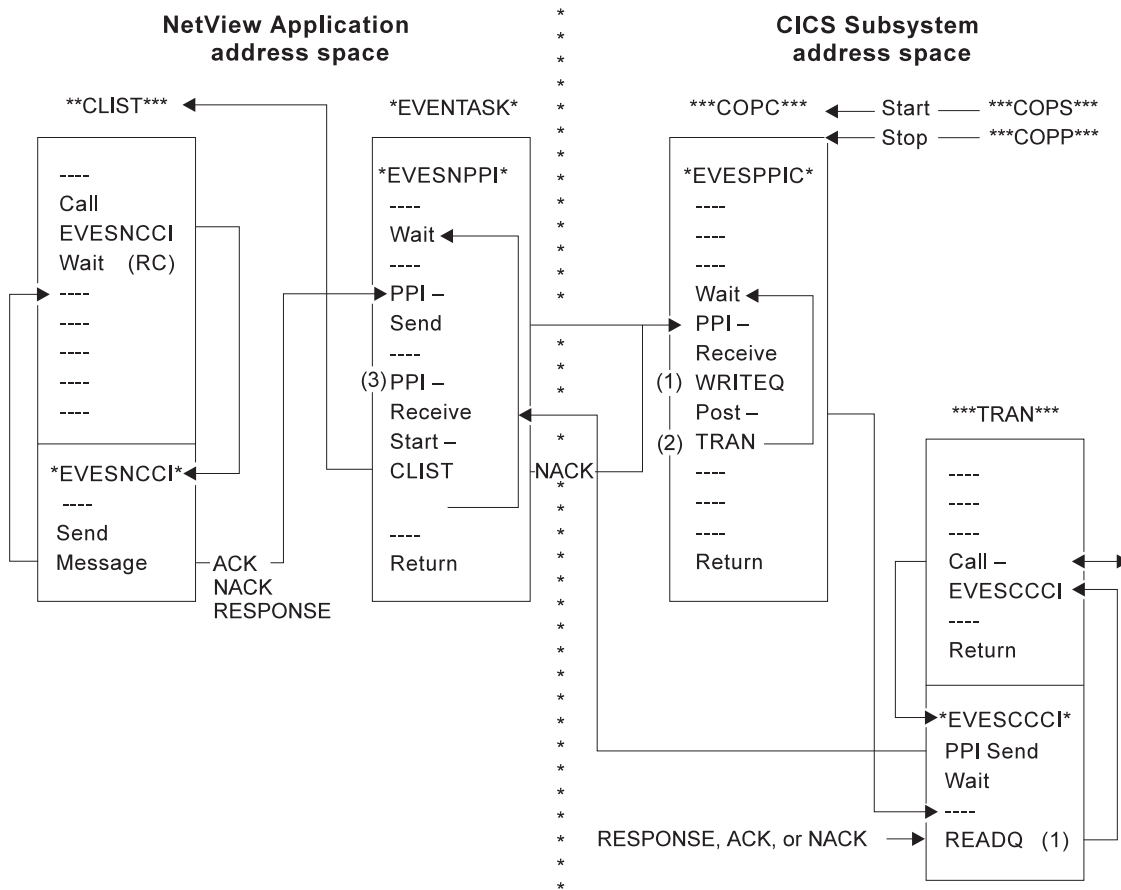


Figure 23. An EVESCCCI CONVERSE Request

### Notes:

1. The received data is saved and obtained from temporary storage.
2. The Post-tran is actually a CANCEL of an interval control request.
3. The EVENTASK optional task translates the function specification to a command list or command processor name using the EVENTASK initialization member. The autotask under which the command list or processor is to be executed is also obtained from the EVENTASK initialization member. If the name cannot be obtained or if the scheduling of the command list fails, a NACK response is returned.

## SEND from CICS

A SEND request from a CICS transaction starts a command list or a command processor in NetView. No response is returned by the command list or command processor to the CICS transaction.

If the request is accepted, EVESCCCI sends the request to the EVENTASK optional task. The EVENTASK optional task translates the function specification to a command list or command processor name using the EVENTASK initialization member. The autotask under which the command list or processor is to be executed is also obtained from the EVENTASK initialization member. Then, the NetView command processor or command list returns to NetView.

## CICS Requests Using the Program-to-Program Interface

Errors found by EVESCCCI are returned to the caller via a return code and an error code. Other errors detected during the processing of a SEND request are not returned to the requestor. The errors are only logged.

Refer to the following figure:

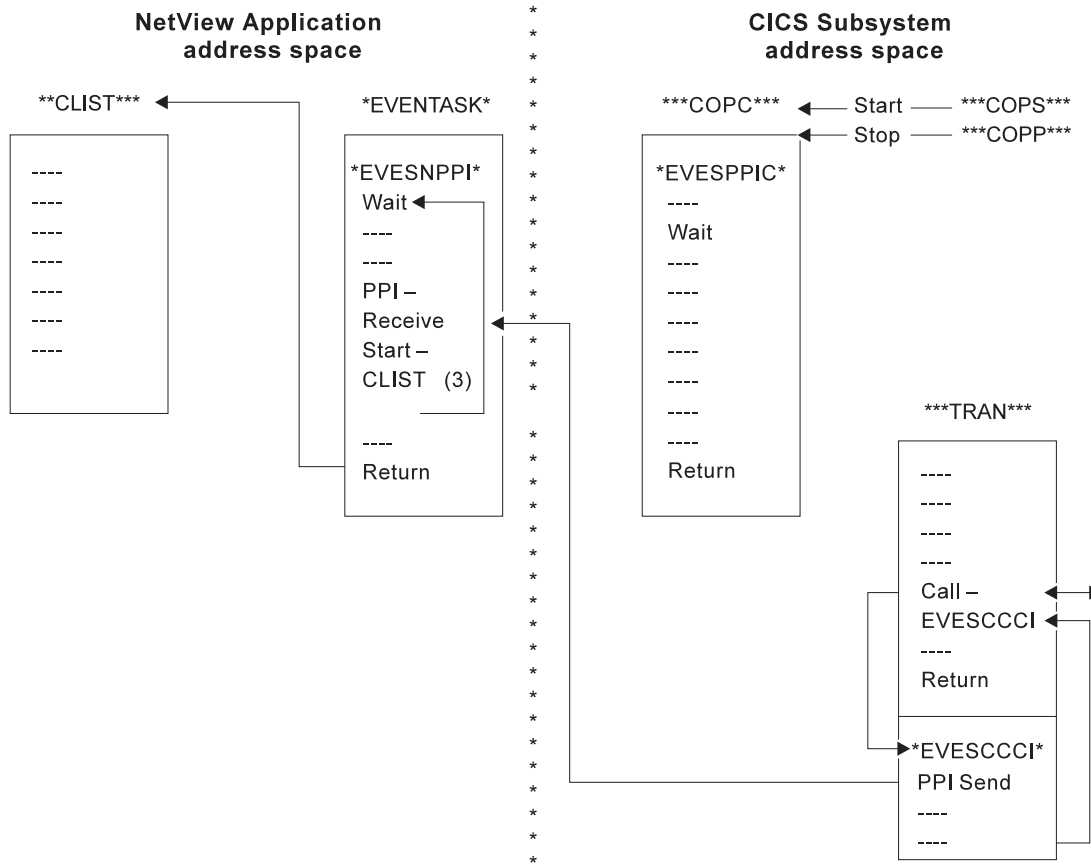


Figure 24. An EVESCCCI SEND Request

## Programming Interface

The CICS Automation CICS to NetView program-to-program interface members are:

**“EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface” on page 83**

Allows you to:

- Initiate, from NetView, the execution of a CICS transaction.
- Send a response to a CICS transaction.

**“EVESNRSP - Common Response Handler from CICS” on page 88**

The maximum length of a RESPONSE response line is 216 characters. EVESNRSP unblocks the response data in NetView and turns it into a multi-line WTO by calling the EVESX002 (CICSBSMSG) command processor for each response line.

**“EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface” on page 89.**

Use this subroutine to request, from a CICS transaction, the initiation of a NetView command, a command list, or command processor in NetView.

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**“EVEMPINT—EVESCCI Parameter List Copy Book” on page 92.**  
The EVEMPINT copy book describes the CICS Automation program-to-program interface parameter list on the CICS side.

## EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface

Use this subroutine to:

- Initiate, from NetView, the execution of a CICS transaction.
- Send a response to a CICS transaction.

### Syntax

```
EVESNCCI TYPE=C|S|R|A|N|X
          ,NAME=subsnm
          ,FUNC=function
          [,DATA=data]
          [,REQID=reqid]
          [,SEGMENT=segment]
          [,ID=id]
```

### Keyword and Parameter Definitions

#### TYPE=

Specifies the type of command. Valid command types are:

- |          |  |
|----------|--|
| <b>C</b> | For CONVERSE: Starts a process at the other end. A response is expected.   |
| <b>S</b> | For SEND: Starts a process at the other end. No response is expected.  |
| <b>R</b> | For RESPONSE: This is used to send data to the CICS transaction that issued the CONVERSE request.                            |
| <b>A</b> | For ACK: Signals the successful completion of a CONVERSE request. No data is provided.                                       |
| <b>N</b> | For NACK: Signals the unsuccessful completion of a CONVERSE request. Data can optionally be provided (maximum of 100 bytes). |
| <b>X</b> | For CANCEL: Use this request type to cancel the segment assembly process.  |

#### NAME=

Specifies the CICS subsystem name as it is known to CICS Automation.

#### FUNC=

Specifies the symbolic name of a process to be initiated or to be responded to, such as a CICS transaction or a NetView command list. The relation between a function name and a process name is contained in the EVENTASK and EVESPINM initialization members.

#### DATA=

Specifies the request or response data. Not accepted for ACK responses. The maximum data length on a NACK response is 100 bytes. If omitted, no data is passed.

Three data delimiter pairs are supported: single quotes, double quotes, or parentheses. These delimiters must be used when the data contains blanks or commas, or starts with one of the data delimiters itself. Data delimiters are stripped off before passing the data on.

#### REQID=

Specifies the request identification. This field relates the response to the CICS transaction requesting the response. The value is provided on the CICS

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CONVERSE request and should simply be copied. The request identification may not contain commas or blanks. It is required and only accepted for responses.

### SEGMENT=

Use this keyword when the EVESNCCI command must be longer than 240 bytes. The SEGMENT= parameters are:

- F** First segment.
- M** Neither the first and nor the last segment.
- L** Last segment.

When the SEGMENT= keyword is used, the ID= keyword is used to identify the segment chain within a NetView task.

### ID=

Identifies the segment chain within a NetView task. This data field is 16 bytes. The segment chain identification may not start with DSI or EVE and may not contain commas or blanks.

## Comments and Usage Notes

1. The old parameters **DOMAIN=** and **OPID** are ignored.
2. The requested function must be defined in the CICS Automation program-to-program interface initialization members, as shown for the CEMT function:

### In NetView (EVENTASK)

```
SERVER=RESPONSE,CEMT,AUTCPPI,EVESNRSP
```

### In CICS (EVEMPINM)

```
EVEMPINM TYPE=ENTRY,      DEFINE A FUNCTION  
          FUNCTION=CEMT,   FUNCTION NAME  
          TRANSID=COMT     TRANSACTION NAME
```

3. The maximum amount of text that can be specified on the EVESNCCI command is limited to 240 bytes, including the command name EVESNCCI.
4. The maximum amount of text that can be specified with a segment chain is 32656 bytes.
5. EVESNCCI saves the segments until the final segment is received. After receiving the final segment, EVESNCCI assembles the segments into one block which is sent to the specified receiver using the EVENTASK optional task.

**Note:** It is assumed that the user of the segment function provides the segments in the correct order and that the segment identification is unique within the NetView task.

6. If an internal error is found during processing of a segment request, such as a GETMAIN failure, all existing segments are deleted.
7. All CANCEL commands (initiated when TYPE=X is used) are logged together with their results. The CANCEL command is always successful. Users of the segment function are requested to use TYPE=X when applicable to prevent NetView from being filled with unused data.

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8. The following matrix shows the required (R), optional (O), and invalid (¬) keywords for the various command types.

TYPE=	NAME	FUNC	DATA	OPID	DOMA	REQUI	SEGM	ID
C	R	R	O	O	O	¬	O <sub>a</sub>	O <sub>d</sub>
S	R	R	O	¬	¬	¬	O <sub>a</sub>	O <sub>d</sub>
R	R	R	O	¬	¬	R	O <sub>a</sub>	O <sub>d</sub>
N	R	R	O <sub>b</sub>	¬	¬	R	¬	¬
A	R	R	¬	¬	¬	R	¬	¬
X	¬	¬	¬	¬	¬	¬	¬	R
none	¬	¬	O	¬	¬	¬	R <sub>c</sub>	R <sub>d</sub>

### Notes:

- a. SEGMENT=F only can be used with these TYPEs.
  - b. The length of the data must be less than 101 bytes.
  - c. SEGMENT=M or SEGMENT=L can only be used when no TYPE is specified.
  - d. When a SEGMENT is specified, an ID must also be given.
9. EVESNCCI returns the following return codes and error messages to the caller. Some of the messages are written to the NetView log. Message EVE122E is also sent to the authorized receiver.

**RC=0** EVE120I COMMAND ACCEPTED FOR *subsys*, APPLID = *applid*

The command has been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task, where *subsys* is the symbolic name by which this CICS subsystem is known to CICS Automation, and *applid* is the generic VTAM application identifier of the target CICS subsystem.

**RC=4** EVE121E ERROR ON DSI<sub>xxx</sub> REQUEST IN EVESNCCI, RC=*ccc*

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task, where *xxx* identifies the DSI request (such as GET, FRE, FIND, PUSH, or POP), and *ccc* is the return code returned by the DSI<sub>xxx</sub> function.

**RC=8** EVE122E EVENTASK TASK NOT ACTIVE

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task.

**RC=12** EVE123E INPUT ERROR AT DISPLACEMENT *ddd*, CODE=*ccc*

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task, where *ddd* contains the location in the command string where the error was detected, and *ccc* is one of the following:

- 004** Unrecognized keyword.
- 008** Syntax error.
- 012** Operand error.
- 016** Duplicate keyword.
- 020** Conflicting keyword.
- 024** Required keyword(s) omitted.
- 028** Incorrect data length. The data length on an ACK

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response was not zero, or the data length on a NACK response was larger than 100 bytes.

**RC=16** EVE124E SEGMENT ERROR, CODE = *ccc*

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task. All existing segments that have the current ID are deleted, except when the segment-chain was corrupted, where *ccc* is one of the following:

- 004** SEGMENT SEQUENCE ERROR. A middle or last segment has been offered while no first segment with an identical ID was available, or a first segment has been offered while another first segment with the same ID already exists.
- 008** TOO MUCH DATA. In a series of segments with identical ID the total amount of data exceeds 32656 bytes.
- 012** SEGMENT-CHAIN CORRUPTED. Storage used for saving segment data has been overwritten.

**RC=20** EVE125E NO STORAGE AVAILABLE ON DSI<sub>xxx</sub> REQUEST IN EVESNCCI

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task.

**RC=24** ERROR ON EVESX<sub>mmm</sub> CALL IN EVESNCCI, RC = *ccc*

The command has not been forwarded to the EVENTASK optional task. EVESNCCI calls the EVESX001 (CICSSEC) and EVESX022 (CICSQRY) command processors. A non-zero return code from either of these command processors results in this return code and error message. This error implies (normally) that either the caller is not authorized for the function on the specified subsystem, or the specified subsystem is not defined.

10. When other errors are detected during the processing of a CONVERSE request, CICS Automation program-to-program interface returns a NACK response to the requestor. The NACK response data indicates the type of error that occurred. The errors are also logged.

The following NACK responses can be expected:

```
EVE129E text
EVE122E task TASK NOT ACTIVE
EVE136E ERROR ON PPI REQUEST rrr, RC = ccc
EVE137E NETVIEW SUBSYSTEM NOT AVAILABLE
EVE141E INCORRECT MQS BUFFER RECEIVED IN progname
EVE142E FUNCTION funcname NOT FOUND IN memname
EVE171E procname : ERROR IN progname(tran), CODE = cccc
EVE175E procname : FUNCTION funcname NOT FOUND IN EVESPINM
EVE181E procname : ERROR ON TRANSACTION START tran FOR FUNCTION
funcname
```



## Examples of Usage

### Example 1

```
"EVESNCCI TYPE=C,"||,
  "NAME=CICS1,"||,
  "FUNC=CEMT,"||,
  "DATA='I PR(E*)'"
```

This command starts a CEMT transaction in the CICS *subsystem* known to CICS Automation as CICS1.

### Example 2

```
"EVESNCCI TYPE=R,"||,
  "NAME=CICS2,"||,
  "FUNC=LMT,"||,
  "DATA=(1st segment of LMT response),"||,
  "REQID=1234567890123456,"||,
  "SEGMENT=F,"||,
  "ID=QAZWSXEDCRFVTGBY"

"EVESNCCI SEGMENT=M,"||,
  "DATA=(2nd segment of LMT response),"||,
  "ID=QAZWSXEDCRFVTGBY"

"EVESNCCI SEGMENT=L,"||,
  "DATA=(3rd segment of LMT response),"||,
  "ID=QAZWSXEDCRFVTGBY"
```

This is a link monitor response, which is in 3 segments. Error logic is not included.

### EVESNRSP - Common Response Handler from CICS

The maximum length of a RESPONSE response line is 216 characters. EVESNRSP deblocks the response data in NetView and turns it into a multi-line WTO by calling the EVESX002 (CICSBMMSG) command processor for each response line.

#### Comments and Usage Notes

1. The request data is scanned for the presence of NL (X'15') characters within the maximum response line length. If an NL character is found, it delimits the current response line. If no NL character is found, a maximum length response line is assumed, or the end of the response data delimits the current response line.

2. The following EVESX002 (CICSBMMSG) commands are issued by EVESNRSP:

```
EVESX002 START,"domainid,opid
EVESX002 DATA,C,EVE790I PPI RESPONSE FROM applid FOR FUNCTION function maxln
          totln
EVESX002 DATA,D,response line text
EVESX002 DATA,E,EVE792I END"
```

This results in the following multi-line WTO to be sent to *opid* on *domainid*:

```
EVE790I PPI RESPONSE FROM applid FOR FUNCTION function maxln totln
response line text
:
response line text
EVE792I END
```

where *maxln* and *totln* contain the maximum response line length and the total length of the RESPONSE response data sent to NetView.

3. The maximum value of the total response data length is 32656 bytes. If this number of bytes is sent on a CEMT response, the CEMT response may be truncated.
4. Errors found during EVESNRSP processing are logged. The following error messages may be displayed:

```
EVE121E ERROR ON DSIxxx REQUEST IN EVESNRSP, RC = ccc
EVE125E NO STORAGE AVAILABLE ON DSIxxx REQUEST IN EVESNRSP
EVE127E ERROR ON EVESX002 CALL IN EVESNRSP, RC = ccc
EVE141E INCORRECT MQS BUFFER RECEIVED IN EVESNRSP
```

## EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface

Use this subroutine to request, from a CICS transaction, the initiation of a NetView command, a command list, or command processor in NetView. There are three types of EVESCCCI requests:

1. A CONVERSE request, which expects a response from NetView.
2. A SEND request, which does not expect a response from NetView.
3. RESPONSE.

The request is initiated by setting up a parameter list and linking to the EVESCCCI routine, as shown in the following assembler example:

```
EXEC CICS LINK PROGRAM(EVESCCCI) COMMAREA(area) LENGTH('60')
```

The parameter list is located in *area*. The following is an example of a parameter list built for a CONVERSE request (see Table 8 on page 91 for a SEND request parameter list example):

Table 6. EVESCCCI CONVERSE Request Parameter List

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTIDENT	000	08	"POUT0001"
OUTREQID	008	16	Not used (set by EVESCCCI)
OUTFNAME	024	08	<i>function</i>
OUTRTYPE	032	01	"C"
	033	01	Reserved (binary zeros)
OUTWAITC	034	02	CONVERSE wait time in seconds
OUTDATAL	036	04	Length of request data area (binary)
OUTDATAA	040	04	Address of request data area

**Note:** Sample copy books for this parameter list are included in the CICS Automation sample library. Refer to "EVEMPINT—EVESCCCI Parameter List Copy Book" on page 92 for field descriptions and important usage information.

If the request data address is located below the line, the response area (if any) is allocated below the line as well. If no data is passed on the CONVERSE request, the length field (OUTDATAL) must be zero. The address field is still used to determine the location of the response area in this case.

If the request is accepted, EVESCCCI sends the request to the NetView EVENTASK optional task, which translates the function into a command list or command processor.

EVESCCCI waits *nn* seconds (see OUTWAITC) for the response to arrive. If the OUTWAITC value is zero, the default wait time is 30 seconds. Valid specifications in the OUTWAITC field range from 1 up to and including 999 (seconds).

If the response does not arrive within the expected interval, the timeout return code is passed to the caller.

## EVESCCCI - CICS to NetView Communication Interface

EVESCCCI returns the following fields to the caller of the CONVERSE request.

Table 7. EVESCCCI Fields Returned to Caller from CONVERSE Request

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTRESPA	044	4	Address of response area
OUTRESPL	048	4	Length of response area
OUTRTRNC	052	4	Binary return code: <b>0</b> Successful request <b>4</b> Timeout on CONVERSE <b>8</b> Program-to-program interface not available (see OUTABNDC for error code) <b>12</b> Incorrect parameter list <b>16</b> Internal processing error (see OUTABNDC for error code)
OUTABNDC	056	4	Error code (character) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OUTRTRNC = 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>C003</b> Program-to-program interface not active</li> <li><b>C015</b> CICS LOAD/LINK failure</li> <li><b>C017</b> No CICS storage available</li> <li><b>C2XX</b> Program-to-program interface request error</li> </ul> </li> <li>• OUTRTRNC = 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A...</b> CICS abend codes</li> <li><b>C012</b> CICS READQ failure</li> <li><b>C016</b> CICS POST failure</li> <li><b>C018</b> CICS FREEMAIN failure</li> <li><b>C960</b> Incorrect TS item length</li> <li><b>C961</b> RQE chain corrupted</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**Note:** Refer to “EVEMPINT—EVESCCCI Parameter List Copy Book” on page 92 for field descriptions and important usage information.

The response area contains the response (if any) on the CONVERSE request. It may contain a RESPONSE, an ACK, or a NACK. The area has the format as described by the EVEMPINT copy book. **It is the responsibility of the caller of EVESCCCI to free the response area via EXEC CICS FREEMAIN.**

The response area format is similar to the transaction input data passed on a CONVERSE or SEND request from NetView:

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
INTIDENT	000	08	“PINT0001”
INTREQID	008	16	<i>domainid   opid</i>
INTFNAME	024	08	<i>function</i>
INTRTYPE	032	01	Response type: “R”, “A”, or “N”
	033	03	Reserved (binary zeros)
INTDATAL	036	04	Length of <i>data</i> (binary). Zero for ACK response
INTSDATA	040	<i>nn</i>	<i>data</i>

Errors found by EVESCCCI are returned to the caller via a return code and an error code. When other errors are detected during the processing of a CONVERSE request, CICS Automation returns a NACK response to the CICS transaction. The

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NACK response data indicates the type of error that occurred. The NACK response is logged via message EVE180E. The following NACK responses can be expected:

```
EVE180E text
      EVE121E ERROR ON DISxxx REQUEST IN progname, RC = ccc
      EVE122E tttttttt TASK NOT ACTIVE
      EVE125E NO STORAGE AVAILABLE ON DSIxxx REQUEST IN progname
      EVE142E FUNCTION funcname NOT FOUND IN memname
```

The following is an example of a parameter list built by a SEND request:

*Table 8. EVESCCCI SEND Request Parameter List*

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTIDENT	000	08	"POUT0001"
OUTREQID	008	16	Not used (set by EVESCCCI)
OUTFNAME	024	08	<i>function</i>
OUTRTYPE	032	01	"S"
	033	01	Reserved (binary zeros)
	034	02	Not used for SEND (binary zeros)
OUTDATAL	036	04	Length of request data area (binary)
OUTDATAA	040	04	Address of request data area

**Note:** Refer to "EVEMPINT—EVESCCCI Parameter List Copy Book" on page 92 for field descriptions and important usage information.

If no data is passed on the SEND request, the length field (OUTDATAL) must be 0 (zero).

On a SEND request, errors found by EVESCCCI are returned to the caller via a return code and an error code. Other errors detected during the processing of a SEND request are not returned to the requestor. The errors are only logged.

## EVEMPINT—EVESCCCI Parameter List Copy Book

The EVEMPINT copy book describes the CICS Automation program-to-program interface parameter list on the CICS side. It consists of two parts: one part describes the input data for CICS transactions, and the other part describes the format of output requests from CICS transactions.

The following data area is passed to a started CICS transaction as result of a NetView CONVERSE or SEND request. The same data area is passed in the response area as result of a NetView RESPONSE, ACK, or NACK response. See “EVESNCCI—NetView to CICS Communication Interface” on page 83.

**Note:** The started transaction must obtain the input data using an EXEC CICS RETRIEVE command.

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
INTIDENT	000	08	Provides an eye-catcher and a block format level.
INTREQID	008	16	This field contains the request identifier which is used to relate a response to a specific request. For a CONVERSE request from NetView, it contains the <i>domainid</i>   <i>opid</i> concatenation specified on the EVESNCCI command. For responses from NetView, it contains the request identifier allocated by the EVESCCCI routine on a CICS CONVERSE request. This field is not used for a SEND request.
INTFNAME	024	08	Contains the function name specified with the EVESNCCI FUNCTION= keyword.
INTRTYPE	032	01	The response type: C for CONVERSE, S for SEND, R for RESPONSE, A for ACK, and N for NACK.
	033	03	Reserved (binary zeros)
INTDATAL	036	04	Contains the length of the request or response data. This field may have a 0 (zero) value. For an ACK response, this field is 0 (zero).
INTSDATA	040	<i>nn</i>	The request or response data, if any. The length of the response data is contained in the INTDATAL field.

The following fields are set by the caller of the EVESCCCI routine.

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTIDENT	000	08	Provides an eye-catcher and a block format level. Must be set to POUT0001.
OUTREQID	008	16	This field is used as a request identifier to relate a response to a specific CONVERSE request. For CICS CONVERSE requests this field is set by the EVESCCCI routine. For CICS responses, the field must be set by the caller (copied from INTREQID). This field is not used for SEND requests.
OUTFNAME	024	08	Specifies the function name. The EVENTASK initialization member must contain a SERVER=REQUEST entry (for CONVERSE or SEND) or a SERVER=RESPONSE entry (for RESPONSE) specification. For responses, this field is normally copied from the transaction input data (INTFNAME field) <b>Note:</b> If the name is less than eight characters, pad it with blanks.

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Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTRTYPE	032	01	Specifies the type of command as REQUEST, SEND, RESPONSE, ACK, or NACK. REQUEST (also referred to as CONVERSE) and SEND are requests. RESPONSE, ACK, and NACK are responses.  REQUEST starts a command processor or a command list in NetView. A response is expected. SEND also starts a command processor or a command list in NetView, but no response is expected. RESPONSE is used to send data to a NetView task. ACK signals the successful completion of a CONVERSE request. No data is provided. NACK signals the unsuccessful completion of a CONVERSE request. Data may optionally be provided (maximum of 100 bytes). It is recommended for health checking.
	033	01	Reserved (binary zeros)
OUTWAITC	034	02	Specifies the number of seconds (binary value) to wait for a response on a CONVERSE request. If the response does not arrive within the specified time interval, the timeout return code is passed to the caller. If binary zero is specified, the default wait interval (30 seconds) is used. The maximum binary value that can be specified is 999. The field must contain binary zeros for all requests other than CONVERSE.
OUTDATAL	036	04	This field must be set to the length of the CONVERSE or SEND request data area or to the length of the RESPONSE or NACK response area. The maximum length of a CONVERSE or SEND request area or a RESPONSE response area is 32656 bytes. The maximum length of a NACK response area is 100 bytes.
OUTDATAA	040	04	Specifies the address of the CONVERSE or SEND request area or the address of the RESPONSE or NACK response area. If the request data address is located below the line, the response area (if any) is allocated below the line as well. If no data is passed on the CONVERSE request, the length field (OUTDATAL) must be zero. The address field is still used to determine the location of the response area in this case.

The following fields are set by EVESCCCI upon return to the caller:

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTRESPA	044	04	Address of response area allocated by EVESCCCI. It may contain a RESPONSE, ACK, or NACK response. This field is only returned on a successful CONVERSE request (OUTRTRNC=0). <b>It is the responsibility of the caller of EVESCCCI to free the response area using EXEC CICS FREEMAIN.</b>
OUTRESPL	048	04	Contains the length of the response area addressed by the OUTRESPA field.
OUTRTRNC	052	04	Contains the return code which will have one of the following binary values: <b>000</b> Successful request. <b>004</b> Timeout on CONVERSE. <b>008</b> Program-to-program interface not available (see OUTABNDC for error codes). A transaction dump is provided depending on the error code. <b>012</b> Incorrect parameter list. No transaction dump is provided. <b>016</b> Internal processing error (see OUTABNDC for error codes). A transaction dump is provided.

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Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
OUTABNDC	056	04	<p>This field contains an error code for return codes 008 and 016. For return code 008 the field will have one of the following character values:</p> <p><b>C003</b> The CICS component of the program-to-program interface is not active. Use the COPS transaction to start it. No transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p> <p><b>C015</b> A CICS LOAD of or LINK to a required module was not successful. Ensure that EVESPERR and EVESPMMSG have been properly installed and are enabled. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p> <p><b>C017</b> No CICS storage is available. No transaction dump is provided.</p> <p><b>C2xx</b> A program-to-program interface request error occurred, where <i>xx</i> contains the program-to-program interface request return code. For error codes C220, C222, C223, C225, C231, C233, C236, C240, and C290, a transaction dump is provided and an error message is logged.</p> <p>For return code 016 the field will have one of the following character values:</p> <p><b>A***</b> A CICS abend has occurred. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged for most A*** errors.</p> <p><b>C012</b> An unexpected error has occurred on a READQ command. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p> <p><b>C016</b> An unexpected error has occurred on a POST command. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p> <p><b>C018</b> An unexpected error has occurred on a FREEMAIN command. A transaction dump is provided.</p> <p><b>C961</b> Internal error. Incorrect TS item length. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p> <p><b>C962</b> Internal error. The RQE chain is corrupted. A transaction dump is provided. An error message is logged.</p>

When a RESPONSE response (R) is sent, *function* is used to locate the name of a command processor or command list in the EVENTASK initialization member. This command is scheduled under a task (also defined in the initialization member) with the following command text:

Name	Disp.	Length	Contents and description
	000	8	Command processor or command list name
	008	8	" " (8 blanks)
RHDRCVID	016	8	Program-to-program interface receiver identification
RHDSNDID	024	8	Generic applid (Program-to-program interface sender identification)
RHDPRCNM	032	8	Program-to-program interface sender's JOB- or STC-name
RHDDOMID	040	8	<i>domainid</i>
RHDTSKID	048	8	<i>opid</i>
RHDFNAME	056	8	<i>function</i>
RHDRTYPE	064	1	"R"
	065	7	"*****" (7 asterisks)
RHDSDATA	072	n	Response data (n = OUTDATAL)

A common response processor, EVESNRSP, is available that turns the response data into a multi-line WTO (EVE79xI), which is sent to *opid* in *domainid*.



Examples of Usage

Example 1

This assembler example shows the processing of a CICS CONVERSE request.

```

*****
*          ISSUE A CONVERSE REQUEST          *
*****
*
*      XC  CISPOUTP,CISPOUTP  ZERO PARAMETER LIST
*      LA  R6,CISPOUTP      ADDRESS PARAMETER LIST
*      USING OUTDSECT,R6    ESTABLISH ADDRESSABILITY
*      SPACE 1
*      MVC OUTIDENT,=C'POUT0001' SET EYE CATCHER/BLOCK LEVEL
*      MVC OUTFNAME,=CL8'TESTCLST' SET FUNCTION NAME
*      MVI OUTRTYPE,OUTRTYPC SET CONVERSE REQUEST TYPE
*      LA  R1,L'CONVTEXT    LENGTH OF VARIABLE DATA
*      ST  R1,OUTDATAL      SET LENGTH OF VARIABLE DATA
*      LA  R1,CONVTEXT      ADDRESS OF VARIABLE DATA
*      ST  R1,OUTDATAA      SET ADDRESS OF CONVERSE DATA
*      MVC CISHWORD,=Y(OUTHL) LENGTH OF PARAMETER LIST
*
*      EXEC CICS LINK,      REQUEST PROGRAM LINK, TO          *
*          PROGRAM('EVESCCI'), CPDS COMMUNICATION INTERFACE *
*          COMMAREA(CISPOUTP), PARAMETER LIST                *
*          LENGTH(CISHWORD)  PARAMETER LIST LENGTH
*
*      L   R15,OUTRTRNC    PICK UP THE RETURN CODE
*      Process the return code and error code please!
*
*      L   R4,OUTRESPA     ADDRESS RESPONSE AREA
*      USING INTDSECT,R4   ESTABLISH ADDRESSABILITY
*
*      LA  R14,INTSDATA    ADDRESS RESPONSE DATA
*      L   R15,INTDATAL    LENGTH RESPONSE DATA
*      Do some meaningful processing please!
*
*      CONVTEXT DC  C'CONVERSE TEXT FROM CICS'
*
*          DFHEISTG ,
*
*      CISPOUTP DS  CL(OUTHL)  RESPONSE PARAMETER LIST
*      CISHWORD DS  H          PARAMETER BLOCK LENGTH
*
*          DFHEIEND ,
*
*      EVEMPINT ,          DEFINE INTERFACE DSECT

```

Example 2

This assembler example shows the processing of a NetView CONVERSE request in CICS.

```

*****
*      RETRIEVE TRANSACTION INPUT DATA      *
*****
*
*      EXEC  CICS RETRIEVE,      GET INPUT DATA      *
*            SET(R4),           RETURN ADDRESS HERE    *
*            LENGTH(CISHWORD)   RETURN LENGTH HERE     *
*
*      USING INTDSECT,R4      ESTABLISH ADDRESSABILITY
*
*      LA   R14,INTSDATA      ADDRESS REQUEST DATA
*      L    R15,INTDATAL      LENGTH REQUEST DATA
*      Do some meaningful processing please!
*
*****
*      RETURN A 'NORMAL' RESPONSE          *
*****
*
*      XC   CISPOUTP,CISPOUTP  ZERO PARAMETER LIST
*      LA   R6,CISPOUTP        ADDRESS PARAMETER LIST
*      USING OUTDSECT,R6      ESTABLISH ADDRESSABILITY
*
*      MVC  OUTIDENT,=C'POUT0001' SET EYE CATCHER/BLOCK LEVEL
*      MVC  OUTREQID,INTREQID   SET REQUEST IDENTIFIER
*      MVC  OUTFNAME,INTFNAME   SET FUNCTION NAME
*      MVI  OUTRTYPE,OUTRTPR   SET RESPONSE RESPONSE TYPE
*      LA   R1,L'RESPTEXT      LENGTH OF VARIABLE DATA
*      ST   R1,OUTDATAL        SET LENGTH OF VARIABLE DATA
*      LA   R1,RESPTEXT        ADDRESS OF VARIABLE DATA
*      ST   R1,OUTDATAA        SET ADDRESS OF RESPONSE DATA
*      MVC  CISHWORD,=Y(OUTHL) LENGTH OF PARAMETER LIST
*
*      EXEC  CICS LINK,        REQUEST PROGRAM LINK, TO   *
*            PROGRAM('EVESCCCI'), CPDS COMMUNICATION INTERFACE *
*            COMMAREA(CISPOUTP), PARAMETER LIST          *
*            LENGTH(CISHWORD)  PARAMETER LIST LENGTH     *
*
*      L    R15,OUTRTRNC      PICK UP THE RETURN CODE
*      Process the return code and error code please!
*
*      RESPTEXT DC  C'RESPONSE TEXT FROM CICS'
*
*      DFHEISTG ,
*
*      CISPOUTP DS  CL(OUTHL)  RESPONSE PARAMETER LIST
*      CISHWORD DS  H          LENGTH OF PARAMETER BLOCK
*
*      DFHEIEND ,
*
*      EVEMPINT ,           DEFINE INTERFACE DSECT

```

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## Glossary of CICS and Other Terms

This glossary defines special CICS terms used in the library and words used with other than their everyday meaning. In some cases, a definition may not be the only one applicable to a term, but gives the particular sense in which it is used in the CICS Automation library.

**abend.** Abnormal end of task.

**ACB.** Access method control block (VTAM and VSAM).

**ACK.** Acknowledgement.

**APAR.** Authorized program analysis report.

**application program.** (1) A program written for or by a user that applies to the user's work. (2) In data communication, a program used to connect and communicate with stations in a network, enabling users to perform application-oriented activities.

**ASCII.** American National Standard Code for Information Interchange.

**batch.** An accumulation of data to be processed.

**CEC.** Central Electronic Complex.

**CEMT.** The CICS master terminal transaction.

**central electronic complex (CEC).** A conglomeration of several processors and other devices in one or more physical units. This usually means several processors running under the control of a single MVS/ESA™ operating system. For example, a 3090™ model 400® processor complex can run as a 4-processor CEC, or can be partitioned into the equivalent of two 3090 model 200s, each of which runs as a CEC with its own operating system.

**CICS.** Customer Information Control System.

**command.** In CICS, an instruction similar in format to a high-level programming language statement.v(Contrast with macro.) CICS commands invariably include the verb EXECUTE (or EXEC). They may be issued by an application program to make use of CICS facilities.

**command-language statement.** In CICS, synonym for command.

**concurrent.** Pertaining to the occurrence of two or more activities within a given interval of time.

**data security.** The protection of data against unauthorized disclosure, transfer, modifications, or destruction, whether accidental or intentional.

**data set.** The major unit of data storage and retrieval, consisting of a collection of data in one of several prescribed arrangements and described by control information to which the system has access.

**end user.** In CICS, anyone using CICS to do a job, usually by interacting with an application program (transaction) by means of a terminal.

**exception.** An abnormal condition such as an I/O error encountered in processing a data set or a file, or using any resource.

**initial program load (IPL).** The initialization procedure that causes an operating system to commence operation.

**initialization.** (1) Actions performed by CICS to construct the environment in the CICS region to enable CICS applications to be run. (2) A process started by SA z/OS and CICS Automation to construct the environment in which automation is to occur.

**installation.** (1) A particular computing system, in terms of the work it does and the people who manage it, operate it, apply it to problems, service it and use the work it produces. (2) The task of making a program ready to do useful work. This task includes generating a program, initializing it, and applying PTFs to it.

**intercommunication facilities.** A generic term covering intersystem communication (ISC) and multiregion operation (MRO).

**interregion communication (IRC).** The method by which CICS provides communication between a CICS region and another region in the same processor. Used for multiregion operation.

**intersystem communication (ISC).** Communication between separate systems by means of SNA networking facilities or by means of the application-to-application facilities of an SNA access method. ISC links CICS systems, and may be used for user application to user application communication, or for transparently executing CICS functions on a remote CICS system.

**IPL.** Initial Program Load.

**IRC.** Interregion communication.

**ISC.** Intersystem communication.

**keyword.** (1) A symbol that identifies a parameter. (2) A part of a command operand that consists of a specific character string. (3) An operand in a CEDDA definition. Key-sequenced data set—a VSAM database organization.

**local.** In data communication, pertaining to devices that are attached to a controlling unit by cables, rather than data links.

**local device.** A device, such as a terminal, whose control unit is directly attached to a computer's data channel. No data link or control unit is used. Contrast with remote device.

**local system.** In CICS intercommunication, the CICS system from whose point-of-view intercommunication is being discussed.

**NACK.** Negative Acknowledgement.

**network.** (1) An interconnected group of nodes. (2) The assembly of equipment through which connections are made between data stations.

**network configuration.** In SNA, the group of links, nodes, machine features, devices, and programs that make up a data processing system, a network, or a communication system.

**online.** (1) Pertaining to a user's ability to interact with a computer. (2) Pertaining to a user's access to a computer via a terminal.

**operating system.** Software that controls the execution of programs; an operating system may provide services such as resource allocation, scheduling, input/output control, and data management.

**parameter.** (ISO) A variable that is given a constant value for a specified application and that may denote the application.

**processor.** (ISO) In a computer, a functional unit that interprets and executes instructions.

**program temporary fix (PTF).** A temporary solution or by-pass of a problem diagnosed by IBM field engineering as the result of a defect in a current unaltered release of the program.

**PTF.** Program Temporary Fix.

**PUT.** Program update tape.

**recovery routine.** A routine that is entered when an error occurs during the performance of an associated operation. It isolates the error, assesses the extent of the error, and attempts to correct the error and resume operation.

**remote.** In data communication, pertaining to devices that are connected to a data processing system through a data link.

**remote device.** A device, such as a terminal, connected to a data processing system through a data link.

**remote system.** In CICS intercommunication, a system that the local CICS system accesses via intersystem communication or multiregion operation.

**resource.** Any facility of the computing system or operating system required by a job or task, and including main storage, input/output devices, the processing unit, data sets, and control or processing programs.

**security.** Prevention of access to or use of data or programs without authorization.

**service.** The carrying out of effective problem determination, diagnosis, and repair on a data processing system or software product.

**SIT.** System Initialization Table.

**SNA.** Systems Network Architecture.

**software.** (ISO) Programs, procedures, rules, and any associated documentation pertaining to the operation of a computer.

**startup.** The operation of starting up CICS by the system operator.

**subsystem.** (1) A secondary or subordinate system. (2) A resource defined to SA z/OS and CICS Automation.

**system.** In CICS, an assembly of hardware and software capable of providing the facilities of CICS for a particular installation.

**system initialization table (SIT).** A table containing user-specified data that will control a system initialization process.

**systems network architecture (SNA).** The description of the logical structure, formats, protocols, and operational sequences for transmitting information units through and controlling the configuration and operation of networks.

**task.** (1) (ISO) A basic unit of work to be accomplished by a computer. (2) Under CICS, the execution of a transaction for a particular user.

**terminal.** (1) A point in a system or communication network at which data can either enter or leave. (2) In CICS, a device, often equipped with a keyboard and some kind of display, capable of sending and receiving information over a communication channel.

**terminal operator.** The user of a terminal.

**transaction.** A transaction may be regarded as a unit of processing (consisting of one or more application programs) initiated by a single request, often from a

terminal. A transaction may require the initiation of one or more tasks for its execution.

**update.** To modify a file with current information.

**VTAM.** An acronym for the Virtual Telecommunications Access Method. This is one of the ways CICS communicates with terminals.



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