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## YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography

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### Abstract

This document presents a YANG 1.1 (RFC 7950) module defining identities, typedefs, and groupings useful to cryptographic applications.

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## 1. Introduction

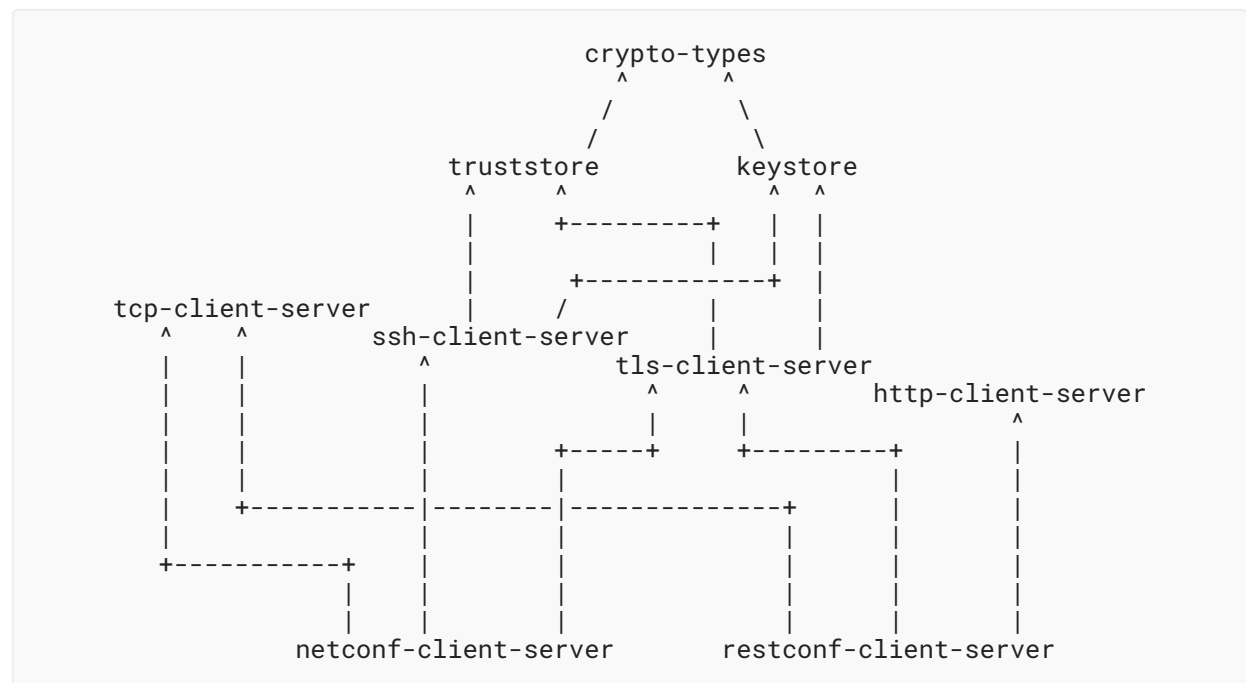
This document presents a YANG 1.1 [RFC7950] module defining identities, typedefs, and groupings useful to cryptographic applications.

### 1.1. Relation to Other RFCs

This document presents a YANG module [RFC7950] that is part of a collection of RFCs that work together to, ultimately, support the configuration of both the clients and servers of both the Network Configuration Protocol (NETCONF) [RFC6241] and RESTCONF [RFC8040].

The dependency relationship between the primary YANG groupings defined in the various RFCs is presented in the below diagram. In some cases, a document may define secondary groupings that introduce dependencies not illustrated in the diagram. The labels in the diagram are shorthand names for the defining RFCs. The citation references for the shorthand names are provided below the diagram.

Please note that the arrows in the diagram point from referencer to referenced. For example, the "crypto-types" RFC does not have any dependencies, whilst the "keystore" RFC depends on the "crypto-types" RFC.



Label in Diagram	Reference
crypto-types	RFC 9640
truststore	[RFC9641]

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keystore	[RFC9642]
tcp-client-server	[RFC9643]
ssh-client-server	[RFC9644]
tls-client-server	[RFC9645]
http-client-server	[HTTP-CLIENT-SERVER]
netconf-client-server	[NETCONF-CLIENT-SERVER]
restconf-client-server	[RESTCONF-CLIENT-SERVER]

Table 1: Labels in Diagram to RFC Mapping

## 1.2. Specification Language

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

## 1.3. Adherence to the NMDA

This document is compliant with the Network Management Datastore Architecture (NMDA) [RFC8342]. It does not define any protocol-accessible nodes that are "config false".

## 1.4. Conventions

Various examples in this document use "BASE64VALUE=" as a placeholder value for binary data that has been base64 encoded (per Section 9.8 of [RFC7950]). This placeholder value is used because real base64-encoded structures are often many lines long and hence distracting to the example being presented.

# 2. The "ietf-crypto-types" Module

This section defines a YANG 1.1 [RFC7950] module called "ietf-crypto-types". A high-level overview of the module is provided in Section 2.1. Examples illustrating the module's use are provided in Section 2.2. The YANG module itself is defined in Section 2.3.

## 2.1. Data Model Overview

This section provides an overview of the "ietf-crypto-types" module in terms of its features, identities, typedefs, and groupings.

### 2.1.1. Features

The following diagram lists all the "feature" statements defined in the "ietf-crypto-types" module:

```

Features:
+-- one-symmetric-key-format
+-- one-asymmetric-key-format
+-- symmetrically-encrypted-value-format
+-- asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format
+-- cms-enveloped-data-format
+-- cms-encrypted-data-format
+-- p10-csr-format
+-- csr-generation
+-- certificate-expiration-notification
+-- cleartext-passwords
+-- encrypted-passwords
+-- cleartext-symmetric-keys
+-- hidden-symmetric-keys
+-- encrypted-symmetric-keys
+-- cleartext-private-keys
+-- hidden-private-keys
+-- encrypted-private-keys

```

The diagram above uses syntax that is similar to but not the same as that in [\[RFC8340\]](#).

### 2.1.2. Identities

The following diagram illustrates the hierarchical relationship amongst the "identity" statements defined in the "ietf-crypto-types" module:

```

Identities:
+-- public-key-format
| +-- subject-public-key-info-format
| +-- ssh-public-key-format
+-- private-key-format
| +-- rsa-private-key-format
| +-- ec-private-key-format
| +-- one-asymmetric-key-format
|   {one-asymmetric-key-format}?
+-- symmetric-key-format
| +-- octet-string-key-format
| +-- one-symmetric-key-format
|   {one-symmetric-key-format}?
+-- encrypted-value-format
| +-- symmetrically-encrypted-value-format
| | | {symmetrically-encrypted-value-format}?
| | +-- cms-encrypted-data-format
| |   {cms-encrypted-data-format}?
| +-- asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format
| | {asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format}?
| +-- cms-enveloped-data-format
|   {cms-enveloped-data-format}?
+-- csr-format
| +-- p10-csr-format {p10-csr-format?}

```

The diagram above uses syntax that is similar to but not the same as that in [\[RFC8340\]](#).

#### Comments:

- The diagram shows that there are five base identities. The first three identities are used to indicate the format for the key data, while the fourth identity is used to indicate the format for encrypted values. The fifth identity is used to indicate the format for a certificate signing request (CSR). The base identities are "abstract", in the object oriented programming sense, in that they only define a "class" of formats, rather than a specific format.
- The various terminal identities define specific encoding formats. The derived identities defined in this document are sufficient for the effort described in [Section 1.1](#), but by nature of them being identities, additional derived identities **MAY** be defined by future efforts.
- Identities used to specify uncommon formats are enabled by "feature" statements, allowing applications to support them when needed.

#### 2.1.3. Typedefs

The following diagram illustrates the relationship amongst the "typedef" statements defined in the "ietf-crypto-types" module:

```
Typedefs:
  binary
    +-- csr-info
    +-- csr
    +-- x509
    | +-- trust-anchor-cert-x509
    | +-- end-entity-cert-x509
    +-- crl
    +-- omsp-request
    +-- omsp-response
    +-- cms
      +-- data-content-cms
      +-- signed-data-cms
      | +-- trust-anchor-cert-cms
      | +-- end-entity-cert-cms
      +-- enveloped-data-cms
      +-- digested-data-cms
      +-- encrypted-data-cms
      +-- authenticated-data-cms
```

The diagram above uses syntax that is similar to but not the same as that in [\[RFC8340\]](#).

#### Comments:

- All the typedefs defined in the "ietf-crypto-types" module extend the "binary" type defined in [\[RFC7950\]](#).
- Additionally, all the typedefs define a type for encoding an ASN.1 [\[ITU.X680.2021\]](#) structure using DER [\[ITU.X690.2021\]](#).
- The "trust-anchor-\*" and "end-entity-\*" typedefs are syntactically identical to their base typedefs and only distinguish themselves by the expected nature of their content. These typedefs are defined to facilitate common modeling needs.

### 2.1.4. Groupings

The "ietf-crypto-types" module defines the following "grouping" statements:

- encrypted-value-grouping
- password-grouping
- symmetric-key-grouping
- public-key-grouping
- private-key-grouping
- asymmetric-key-pair-grouping
- certificate-expiration-grouping
- trust-anchor-cert-grouping
- end-entity-cert-grouping
- generate-csr-grouping
- asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping
- asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping

Each of these groupings are presented in the following subsections.

#### 2.1.4.1. The "encrypted-value-grouping" Grouping

The following tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrates the "encrypted-value-grouping" grouping:

```
grouping encrypted-value-grouping:
  +-- encrypted-by
  +-- encrypted-value-format      identityref
  +-- encrypted-value             binary
```

Comments:

- The "encrypted-by" node is an empty container (difficult to see in the diagram) that a consuming module **MUST** augment key references into. The "ietf-crypto-types" module is unable to populate this container as the module only defines groupings. [Section 2.2.1](#) presents an example illustrating a consuming module populating the "encrypted-by" container.
- The "encrypted-value" node is the value encrypted by the key referenced by the "encrypted-by" node and encoded in the format appropriate for the kind of key it was encrypted by.
  - If the value is encrypted by a symmetric key, then the encrypted value is encoded using the format associated with the "symmetrically-encrypted-value-format" identity.
  - If the value is encrypted by an asymmetric key, then the encrypted value is encoded using the format associated with the "asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format" identity.

See [Section 2.1.2](#) for information about the "format" identities.

### 2.1.4.2. The "password-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "password-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping password-grouping:
  +-- (password-type)
    +--:(cleartext-password) {cleartext-passwords}?
    |  +-- cleartext-password?  string
    +--:(encrypted-password) {encrypted-passwords}?
      +-- encrypted-password
        +---u encrypted-value-grouping
```

Comments:

- The "password-grouping" enables the configuration of credentials needed to authenticate to a remote system. The "ianach:crypt-hash" typedef from [RFC7317] should be used instead when needing to configure a password to authenticate a local account.
- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "encrypted-value-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).
- The "choice" statement enables the password data to be cleartext or encrypted, as follows:
  - The "cleartext-password" node can encode any cleartext value.
  - The "encrypted-password" node's structure is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).

### 2.1.4.3. The "symmetric-key-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "symmetric-key-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping symmetric-key-grouping:
  +-- key-format?          identityref
  +-- (key-type)
    +--:(cleartext-symmetric-key)
    |  +-- cleartext-symmetric-key?  binary
    |  {cleartext-symmetric-keys}?
    +--:(hidden-symmetric-key) {hidden-symmetric-keys}?
    |  +-- hidden-symmetric-key?    empty
    +--:(encrypted-symmetric-key) {encrypted-symmetric-keys}?
      +-- encrypted-symmetric-key
        +---u encrypted-value-grouping
```

Comments:

- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "encrypted-value-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).



- The "key-format" node is an identity-reference to the "symmetric-key-format" abstract base identity discussed in [Section 2.1.2](#), enabling the symmetric key to be encoded using any of the formats defined by the derived identities.
- The "choice" statement enables the private key data to be cleartext, encrypted, or hidden, as follows:
  - The "cleartext-symmetric-key" node can encode any cleartext key value.
  - The "hidden-symmetric-key" node is of type "empty" as the real value cannot be presented via the management interface.
  - The "encrypted-symmetric-key" node's structure is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).

#### 2.1.4.4. The "public-key-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [[RFC8340](#)] illustrating the "public-key-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand any internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping public-key-grouping:
  +-- public-key-format      identityref
  +-- public-key             binary
```

Comments:

- The "public-key-format" node is an identity-reference to the "public-key-format" abstract base identity discussed in [Section 2.1.2](#), enabling the public key to be encoded using any of the formats defined by the derived identities.
- The "public-key" node is the public key data in the selected format. No "choice" statement is used to hide or encrypt the public key data because it is unnecessary to do so for public keys.

#### 2.1.4.5. The "private-key-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [[RFC8340](#)] illustrating the "private-key-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping private-key-grouping:
  +-- private-key-format?    identityref
  +-- (private-key-type)
    +--:(cleartext-private-key) {cleartext-private-keys}?
      | +-- cleartext-private-key?  binary
    +--:(hidden-private-key) {hidden-private-keys}?
      | +-- hidden-private-key?    empty
    +--:(encrypted-private-key) {encrypted-private-keys}?
      +-- encrypted-private-key
        +----u encrypted-value-grouping
```

Comments:

- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "encrypted-value-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).

- The "private-key-format" node is an identity-reference to the "private-key-format" abstract base identity discussed in [Section 2.1.2](#), enabling the private key to be encoded using any of the formats defined by the derived identities.
- The "choice" statement enables the private key data to be cleartext, encrypted, or hidden, as follows:
  - The "cleartext-private-key" node can encode any cleartext key value.
  - The "hidden-private-key" node is of type "empty" as the real value cannot be presented via the management interface.
  - The "encrypted-private-key" node's structure is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.1](#).

#### 2.1.4.6. The "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [[RFC8340](#)] illustrating the "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping asymmetric-key-pair-grouping:
  +---u public-key-grouping
  +---u private-key-grouping
```

Comments:

- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "public-key-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.4](#).
  - The "private-key-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.5](#).

#### 2.1.4.7. The "certificate-expiration-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [[RFC8340](#)] illustrating the "certificate-expiration-grouping" grouping:

```
grouping certificate-expiration-grouping:
  +---n certificate-expiration
      {certificate-expiration-notification}?
  +-- expiration-date yang:date-and-time
```

Comments:

- This grouping's only purpose is to define the "certificate-expiration" notification statement, used by the groupings defined in [Sections 2.1.4.8](#) and [2.1.4.9](#).
- The "certificate-expiration" notification enables servers to notify clients when certificates are nearing expiration.
- The "expiration-date" node indicates when the designated certificate will (or did) expire.
- Identification of the certificate that is expiring is built into the notification itself. For an example, please see [Section 2.2.3](#).

#### 2.1.4.8. The "trust-anchor-cert-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "trust-anchor-cert-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping trust-anchor-cert-grouping:
  +-- cert-data?                trust-anchor-cert-cms
  +---u certificate-expiration-grouping
```

Comments:

- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "certificate-expiration-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.7](#).
- The "cert-data" node contains a chain of one or more certificates containing at most one self-signed certificate (the "root" certificate), encoded using a "signed-data-cms" typedef discussed in [Section 2.1.3](#).

#### 2.1.4.9. The "end-entity-cert-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "end-entity-cert-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```
grouping end-entity-cert-grouping:
  +-- cert-data?                end-entity-cert-cms
  +---u certificate-expiration-grouping
```

Comments:

- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "certificate-expiration-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.7](#).
- The "cert-data" node contains a chain of one or more certificates containing at most one certificate that is not self-signed and does not have Basic constraint "CA true" (where "CA" means certification authority), encoded using a "signed-data-cms" typedef discussed in [Section 2.1.3](#).

#### 2.1.4.10. The "generate-csr-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "generate-csr-grouping" grouping:

```

grouping generate-csr-grouping:
  +---x generate-csr {csr-generation}?
    +---w input
      | +---w csr-format      identityref
      | +---w csr-info       csr-info
    +--ro output
      +--ro (csr-type)
        +--:(p10-csr)
          +--ro p10-csr?    p10-csr

```

#### Comments:

- This grouping's only purpose is to define the "generate-certificate-signing-request" action statement, used by the groupings defined in Sections 2.1.4.11 and 2.1.4.12.
- This action takes as input a "csr-info" type and returns a "csr" type, both of which are discussed in Section 2.1.3.
- For an example, please see Section 2.2.2.

#### 2.1.4.11. The "asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```

grouping asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping:
  +---u asymmetric-key-pair-grouping
  +---u end-entity-cert-grouping
  +---u generate-csr-grouping

```

#### Comments:

- This grouping defines an asymmetric key with at most one associated certificate, a commonly needed combination in protocol models.
- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping is discussed in Section 2.1.4.6.
  - The "end-entity-cert-grouping" grouping is discussed in Section 2.1.4.9.
  - The "generate-csr-grouping" grouping is discussed in Section 2.1.4.10.

#### 2.1.4.12. The "asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping" Grouping

This section presents a tree diagram [RFC8340] illustrating the "asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping" grouping. This tree diagram does not expand the internally used "grouping" statement(s):

```

grouping asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping:
  +---u asymmetric-key-pair-grouping
  +-- certificates
  |   +-- certificate* [name]
  |       +-- name?
  |       +---u end-entity-cert-grouping
  +---u generate-csr-grouping

```

Comments:

- This grouping defines an asymmetric key with one or more associated certificates, a commonly needed combination in configuration models.
- For the referenced "grouping" statement(s):
  - The "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.6](#).
  - The "end-entity-cert-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.9](#).
  - The "generate-csr-grouping" grouping is discussed in [Section 2.1.4.10](#).

### 2.1.5. Protocol-Accessible Nodes

The "ietf-crypto-types" module does not contain any protocol-accessible nodes, but the module needs to be "implemented", as described in [Section 5.6.5](#) of [RFC7950], in order for the identities in [Section 2.1.2](#) to be defined.

## 2.2. Example Usage

### 2.2.1. The "symmetric-key-grouping", "asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping", and "password-grouping" Groupings

The following non-normative module is constructed in order to illustrate the use of the "symmetric-key-grouping" ([Section 2.1.4.3](#)), the "asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping" ([Section 2.1.4.12](#)), and the "password-grouping" ([Section 2.1.4.2](#)) "grouping" statements.

Notably, this example module and associated configuration data illustrates that a hidden private key (ex-hidden-asymmetric-key) has been used to encrypt a symmetric key (ex-encrypted-one-symmetric-based-symmetric-key) that has been used to encrypt another private key (ex-encrypted-rsa-based-asymmetric-key). Additionally, the symmetric key is also used to encrypt a password (ex-encrypted-password).

#### 2.2.1.1. Example Module

```

module ex-crypto-types-usage {
  yang-version 1.1;
  namespace "https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage";
  prefix ectu;

  import ietf-crypto-types {
    prefix ct;
    reference
      "RFC 9640: YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography";
  }
}

```

```
}

organization
  "Example Corporation";
contact
  "YANG Designer <mailto:yang.designer@example.com>";

description
  "This example module illustrates the 'symmetric-key-grouping'
  and 'asymmetric-key-grouping' groupings defined in the
  'ietf-crypto-types' module defined in RFC 9640.";

revision 2024-03-16 {
  description
    "Initial version.";
  reference
    "RFC 9640: YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography";
}

container symmetric-keys {
  description
    "A container of symmetric keys.";
  list symmetric-key {
    key "name";
    description
      "A symmetric key.";
    leaf name {
      type string;
      description
        "An arbitrary name for this key.";
    }
    uses ct:symmetric-key-grouping {
      augment "key-type/encrypted-symmetric-key/"
        + "encrypted-symmetric-key/encrypted-by" {
        description
          "Augments in a 'choice' statement enabling the
          encrypting key to be any other symmetric or
          asymmetric key.";
        uses encrypted-by-grouping;
      }
    }
  }
}

container asymmetric-keys {
  description
    "A container of asymmetric keys.";
  list asymmetric-key {
    key "name";
    leaf name {
      type string;
      description
        "An arbitrary name for this key.";
    }
    uses ct:asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping {
      augment "private-key-type/encrypted-private-key/"
        + "encrypted-private-key/encrypted-by" {
        description
          "Augments in a 'choice' statement enabling the
```

```

        encrypting key to be any other symmetric or
        asymmetric key.";
        uses encrypted-by-grouping;
    }
}
description
    "An asymmetric key pair with associated certificates.";
}
}
container passwords {
    description
        "A container of passwords.";
    list password {
        key "name";
        leaf name {
            type string;
            description
                "An arbitrary name for this password.";
        }
        uses ct:password-grouping {
            augment "password-type/encrypted-password/"
                + "encrypted-password/encrypted-by" {
                description
                    "Augments in a 'choice' statement enabling the
                    encrypting key to be any symmetric or
                    asymmetric key.";
                uses encrypted-by-grouping;
            }
        }
        description
            "A password.";
    }
}

grouping encrypted-by-grouping {
    description
        "A grouping that defines a choice enabling references
        to other keys.";
    choice encrypted-by {
        mandatory true;
        description
            "A choice amongst other symmetric or asymmetric keys.";
        case symmetric-key-ref {
            leaf symmetric-key-ref {
                type leafref {
                    path "/ecty:symmetric-keys/ecty:symmetric-key/"
                        + "ecty:name";
                }
                description
                    "Identifies the symmetric key that encrypts this key.";
            }
        }
        case asymmetric-key-ref {
            leaf asymmetric-key-ref {
                type leafref {
                    path "/ecty:asymmetric-keys/ecty:asymmetric-key/"
                        + "ecty:name";
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

        description
          "Identifies the asymmetric key that encrypts this key.";
      }
    }
  }
}

```

### 2.2.1.2. Tree Diagram for the Example Module

The tree diagram [RFC8340] for this example module is as follows:

```

module: ex-crypto-types-usage
  +--rw symmetric-keys
  |   +--rw symmetric-key* [name]
  |   |   +--rw name string
  |   |   +--rw key-format? identityref
  |   |   +--rw (key-type)
  |   |   |   +--:(cleartext-symmetric-key)
  |   |   |   |   +--rw cleartext-symmetric-key? binary
  |   |   |   |   |   {cleartext-symmetric-keys}?
  |   |   |   +--:(hidden-symmetric-key) {hidden-symmetric-keys}?
  |   |   |   |   +--rw hidden-symmetric-key? empty
  |   |   |   +--:(encrypted-symmetric-key) {encrypted-symmetric-keys}?
  |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-symmetric-key
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-by
  |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw (encrypted-by)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--:(symmetric-key-ref)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw symmetric-key-ref? leafref
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--:(asymmetric-key-ref)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw asymmetric-key-ref? leafref
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-value-format identityref
  |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-value binary
  |   +--rw asymmetric-keys
  |   |   +--rw asymmetric-key* [name]
  |   |   |   +--rw name string
  |   |   |   +--rw public-key-format? identityref
  |   |   |   +--rw public-key? binary
  |   |   |   +--rw private-key-format? identityref
  |   |   |   +--rw (private-key-type)
  |   |   |   |   +--:(cleartext-private-key) {cleartext-private-keys}?
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw cleartext-private-key? binary
  |   |   |   |   +--:(hidden-private-key) {hidden-private-keys}?
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw hidden-private-key? empty
  |   |   |   |   +--:(encrypted-private-key) {encrypted-private-keys}?
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-private-key
  |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-by
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw (encrypted-by)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--:(symmetric-key-ref)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw symmetric-key-ref? leafref
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--:(asymmetric-key-ref)
  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   +--rw asymmetric-key-ref? leafref
  |   |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-value-format identityref
  |   |   |   |   +--rw encrypted-value binary
  |   +--rw certificates
  |   |   +--rw certificate* [name]

```



```

|         |         +--rw name                string
|         |         +--rw cert-data          end-entity-cert-cms
|         |         +---n certificate-expiration
|         |         |         {certificate-expiration-notification}?
|         |         |         +-- expiration-date yang:date-and-time
+---x generate-csr {csr-generation}?
|         |         +---w input
|         |         |         +---w csr-format    identityref
|         |         |         +---w csr-info     csr-info
|         |         +--ro output
|         |         +--ro (csr-type)
|         |         +---:(p10-csr)
|         |         |         +--ro p10-csr?    p10-csr
+--rw passwords
|         |         +--rw password* [name]
|         |         |         +--rw name                string
|         |         |         +--rw (password-type)
|         |         |         |         +---:(cleartext-password) {cleartext-passwords}?
|         |         |         |         |         +--rw cleartext-password? string
|         |         |         |         +---:(encrypted-password) {encrypted-passwords}?
|         |         |         |         |         +--rw encrypted-password
|         |         |         |         |         |         +--rw encrypted-by
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         +--rw (encrypted-by)
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         +---:(symmetric-key-ref)
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         +--rw symmetric-key-ref? leafref
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         +---:(asymmetric-key-ref)
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         +--rw asymmetric-key-ref? leafref
|         |         |         |         |         +---rw encrypted-value-format    identityref
|         |         |         |         +---rw encrypted-value                    binary

```

### 2.2.1.3. Usage Example for the Example Module

Finally, the following example illustrates various symmetric and asymmetric keys as they might appear in configuration:

```

===== NOTE: '\ ' line wrapping per RFC 8792 =====

<symmetric-keys
  xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage"
  xmlns:ct="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types">
  <symmetric-key>
    <name>ex-hidden-symmetric-key</name>
    <hidden-symmetric-key/>
  </symmetric-key>
  <symmetric-key>
    <name>ex-octet-string-based-symmetric-key</name>
    <key-format>ct:octet-string-key-format</key-format>
    <cleartext-symmetric-key>BASE64VALUE=</cleartext-symmetric-key>
  </symmetric-key>
  <symmetric-key>
    <name>ex-one-symmetric-based-symmetric-key</name>
    <key-format>ct:one-symmetric-key-format</key-format>
    <cleartext-symmetric-key>BASE64VALUE=</cleartext-symmetric-key>
  </symmetric-key>
  <symmetric-key>
    <name>ex-encrypted-one-symmetric-based-symmetric-key</name>

```

```

    <key-format>ct:one-symmetric-key-format</key-format>
    <encrypted-symmetric-key>
      <encrypted-by>
        <asymmetric-key-ref>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key</asymmetric-key\
- ref>
      </encrypted-by>
      <encrypted-value-format>ct:cms-enveloped-data-format</encrypted\
d-value-format>
      <encrypted-value>BASE64VALUE=</encrypted-value>
    </encrypted-symmetric-key>
  </symmetric-key>
</symmetric-keys>

<asymmetric-keys
  xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage"
  xmlns:ct="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types">
  <asymmetric-key>
    <name>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key</name>
    <public-key-format>ct:subject-public-key-info-format</public-key\
- format>
    <public-key>BASE64VALUE=</public-key>
    <hidden-private-key/>
    <certificates>
      <certificate>
        <name>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key-cert</name>
        <cert-data>BASE64VALUE=</cert-data>
      </certificate>
    </certificates>
  </asymmetric-key>
  <asymmetric-key>
    <name>ex-rsa-based-asymmetric-key</name>
    <public-key-format>ct:subject-public-key-info-format</public-key\
- format>
    <public-key>BASE64VALUE=</public-key>
    <private-key-format>ct:rsa-private-key-format</private-key-forma\
t>
    <cleartext-private-key>BASE64VALUE=</cleartext-private-key>
    <certificates>
      <certificate>
        <name>ex-cert</name>
        <cert-data>BASE64VALUE=</cert-data>
      </certificate>
    </certificates>
  </asymmetric-key>
  <asymmetric-key>
    <name>ex-one-asymmetric-based-asymmetric-key</name>
    <public-key-format>ct:subject-public-key-info-format</public-key\
- format>
    <public-key>BASE64VALUE=</public-key>
    <private-key-format>ct:one-asymmetric-key-format</private-key-fo\
rmat>
    <cleartext-private-key>BASE64VALUE=</cleartext-private-key>
  </asymmetric-key>
  <asymmetric-key>
    <name>ex-encrypted-rsa-based-asymmetric-key</name>
    <public-key-format>ct:subject-public-key-info-format</public-key\
- format>
    <public-key>BASE64VALUE=</public-key>

```

```

    <private-key-format>ct:rsa-private-key-format</private-key-forma\
t>
    <encrypted-private-key>
      <encrypted-by>
        <symmetric-key-ref>ex-encrypted-one-symmetric-based-symmetri\
c-key</symmetric-key-ref>
      </encrypted-by>
      <encrypted-value-format>ct:cms-encrypted-data-format</encrypte\
d-value-format>
      <encrypted-value>BASE64VALUE=</encrypted-value>
    </encrypted-private-key>
  </asymmetric-key>
</asymmetric-keys>

<passwords
  xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage"
  xmlns:ct="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types">
  <password>
    <name>ex-cleartext-password</name>
    <cleartext-password>super-secret</cleartext-password>
  </password>
  <password>
    <name>ex-encrypted-password</name>
    <encrypted-password>
      <encrypted-by>
        <symmetric-key-ref>ex-encrypted-one-symmetric-based-symmetri\
c-key</symmetric-key-ref>
      </encrypted-by>
      <encrypted-value-format>ct:cms-encrypted-data-format</encrypte\
d-value-format>
      <encrypted-value>BASE64VALUE=</encrypted-value>
    </encrypted-password>
  </password>
</passwords>

```

### 2.2.2. The "generate-certificate-signing-request" Action

The following example illustrates the "generate-certificate-signing-request" action, discussed in [Section 2.1.4.10](#), with the NETCONF protocol.

## REQUEST

```
<rpc message-id="101"
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0"
  xmlns:ct="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types">
  <action xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:1">
    <asymmetric-keys
      xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage">
      <asymmetric-key>
        <name>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key</name>
        <generate-csr>
          <csr-format>ct:p10-csr-format</csr-format>
          <csr-info>BASE64VALUE=</csr-info>
        </generate-csr>
      </asymmetric-key>
    </asymmetric-keys>
  </action>
</rpc>
```

## RESPONSE

```
===== NOTE: '\' line wrapping per RFC 8792 =====
<rpc-reply message-id="101"
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <p10-csr xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-types-usage" \
>BASE64VALUE=</p10-csr>
</rpc-reply>
```

### 2.2.3. The "certificate-expiration" Notification

The following example illustrates the "certificate-expiration" notification, discussed in [Section 2.1.4.7](#), with the NETCONF protocol.

```

===== NOTE: '\ ' line wrapping per RFC 8792 =====

<notification
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:notification:1.0">
  <eventTime>2018-05-25T00:01:00Z</eventTime>
  <asymmetric-keys xmlns="https://example.com/ns/example-crypto-type\
s-usage">
    <asymmetric-key>
      <name>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key</name>
      <certificates>
        <certificate>
          <name>ex-hidden-asymmetric-key-cert</name>
          <certificate-expiration>
            <expiration-date>2018-08-05T14:18:53-05:00</expiration-d\
ate>
              </certificate-expiration>
            </certificate>
          </certificates>
        </asymmetric-key>
      </asymmetric-keys>
    </notification>

```

### 2.3. YANG Module

This module has normative references to [\[RFC2119\]](#), [\[RFC2986\]](#), [\[RFC4253\]](#), [\[RFC5280\]](#), [\[RFC5652\]](#), [\[RFC5915\]](#), [\[RFC5958\]](#), [\[RFC6031\]](#), [\[RFC6960\]](#), [\[RFC6991\]](#), [\[RFC7093\]](#), [\[RFC8017\]](#), [\[RFC8174\]](#), [\[RFC8341\]](#), and [\[ITU.X690.2021\]](#).

```

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-crypto-types@2024-03-16.yang"

module ietf-crypto-types {
  yang-version 1.1;
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types";
  prefix ct;

  import ietf-yang-types {
    prefix yang;
    reference
      "RFC 6991: Common YANG Data Types";
  }

  import ietf-netconf-acm {
    prefix nacm;
    reference
      "RFC 8341: Network Configuration Access Control Model";
  }

  organization
    "IETF NETCONF (Network Configuration) Working Group";

  contact
    "WG Web:  https://datatracker.ietf.org/wg/netconf
    WG List:  NETCONF WG list <mailto:netconf@ietf.org>
    Author:   Kent Watsen <mailto:kent+ietf@watsen.net>";

```

```

description
  "This module defines common YANG types for cryptographic
  applications.

  The key words 'MUST', 'MUST NOT', 'REQUIRED', 'SHALL',
  'SHALL NOT', 'SHOULD', 'SHOULD NOT', 'RECOMMENDED',
  'NOT RECOMMENDED', 'MAY', and 'OPTIONAL' in this document
  are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 (RFC 2119)
  (RFC 8174) when, and only when, they appear in all
  capitals, as shown here.

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  subject to the license terms contained in, the Revised
  BSD License set forth in Section 4.c of the IETF Trust's
  Legal Provisions Relating to IETF Documents
  (https://trustee.ietf.org/license-info).

  This version of this YANG module is part of RFC 9640
  (https://www.rfc-editor.org/info/rfc9640); see the RFC
  itself for full legal notices.";

revision 2024-03-16 {
  description
    "Initial version.";
  reference
    "RFC 9640: YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography";
}

/*****/
/* Features */
/*****/

feature one-symmetric-key-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
    'one-symmetric-key-format' identity.";
}

feature one-asymmetric-key-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
    'one-asymmetric-key-format' identity.";
}

feature symmetrically-encrypted-value-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
    'symmetrically-encrypted-value-format' identity.";
}

feature asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
  
```

```
    'asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format' identity.";
  }

feature cms-enveloped-data-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
    'cms-enveloped-data-format' identity.";
}

feature cms-encrypted-data-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports the
    'cms-encrypted-data-format' identity.";
}

feature p10-csr-format {
  description
    "Indicates that the server implements support
    for generating P10-based CSRs, as defined
    in RFC 2986.";
  reference
    "RFC 2986: PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax
    Specification Version 1.7";
}

feature csr-generation {
  description
    "Indicates that the server implements the
    'generate-csr' action.";
}

feature certificate-expiration-notification {
  description
    "Indicates that the server implements the
    'certificate-expiration' notification.";
}

feature cleartext-passwords {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports cleartext
    passwords.";
}

feature encrypted-passwords {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports password
    encryption.";
}

feature cleartext-symmetric-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports cleartext
    symmetric keys.";
}

feature hidden-symmetric-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports hidden keys.";
```

```
}

feature encrypted-symmetric-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports encryption
    of symmetric keys.";
}

feature cleartext-private-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports cleartext
    private keys.";
}

feature hidden-private-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports hidden keys.";
}

feature encrypted-private-keys {
  description
    "Indicates that the server supports encryption
    of private keys.";
}

/*****
/* Base Identities for Key Format Structures */
*****/

identity symmetric-key-format {
  description
    "Base key-format identity for symmetric keys.";
}

identity public-key-format {
  description
    "Base key-format identity for public keys.";
}

identity private-key-format {
  description
    "Base key-format identity for private keys.";
}

/*****
/* Identities for Private Key Format Structures */
*****/

identity rsa-private-key-format {
  base private-key-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the private key value is encoded as
    an RSAPrivateKey (from RFC 8017), encoded using ASN.1
    distinguished encoding rules (DER), as specified in
    ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 8017:
    PKCS #1: RSA Cryptography Specifications Version 2.2
```



```

    ITU-T X.690:
      Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
      Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
      Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
      Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
  }

  identity ec-private-key-format {
    base private-key-format;
    description
      "Indicates that the private key value is encoded as
      an ECPrivateKey (from RFC 5915), encoded using ASN.1
      distinguished encoding rules (DER), as specified in
      ITU-T X.690.";
    reference
      "RFC 5915:
      Elliptic Curve Private Key Structure
      ITU-T X.690:
      Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
      Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
      Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
      Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
  }

  identity one-asymmetric-key-format {
    if-feature "one-asymmetric-key-format";
    base private-key-format;
    description
      "Indicates that the private key value is a
      Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS) OneAsymmetricKey
      structure, as defined in RFC 5958, encoded using
      ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules (DER), as
      specified in ITU-T X.690.";
    reference
      "RFC 5958:
      Asymmetric Key Packages
      ITU-T X.690:
      Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
      Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
      Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
      Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
  }

  /*****
  /* Identities for Public Key Format Structures */
  *****/

  identity ssh-public-key-format {
    base public-key-format;
    description
      "Indicates that the public key value is a Secure Shell (SSH)
      public key, as specified in RFC 4253, Section 6.6, i.e.:

      string    certificate or public key format
                identifier
      byte[n]   key/certificate data.";
    reference
      "RFC 4253: The Secure Shell (SSH) Transport Layer Protocol";
  }

```

```

}

identity subject-public-key-info-format {
  base public-key-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the public key value is a SubjectPublicKeyInfo
     structure, as described in RFC 5280, encoded using ASN.1
     distinguished encoding rules (DER), as specified in
     ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 5280:
     Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate
     and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile
     ITU-T X.690:
     Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
     Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
     Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
     Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

/*****
/*  Identities for Symmetric Key Format Structures  */
*****/

identity octet-string-key-format {
  base symmetric-key-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the key is encoded as a raw octet string.
     The length of the octet string MUST be appropriate for
     the associated algorithm's block size.

     The identity of the associated algorithm is outside the
     scope of this specification. This is also true when
     the octet string has been encrypted.";
}

identity one-symmetric-key-format {
  if-feature "one-symmetric-key-format";
  base symmetric-key-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the private key value is a CMS
     OneSymmetricKey structure, as defined in RFC 6031,
     encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules
     (DER), as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 6031: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)
     Symmetric Key Package Content Type
     ITU-T X.690:
     Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
     Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
     Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
     Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

/*****
/*  Identities for Encrypted Value Structures  */
*****/

```

```
identity encrypted-value-format {
  description
    "Base format identity for encrypted values.";
}

identity symmetrically-encrypted-value-format {
  if-feature "symmetrically-encrypted-value-format";
  base encrypted-value-format;
  description
    "Base format identity for symmetrically encrypted
    values.";
}

identity asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format {
  if-feature "asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format";
  base encrypted-value-format;
  description
    "Base format identity for asymmetrically encrypted
    values.";
}

identity cms-encrypted-data-format {
  if-feature "cms-encrypted-data-format";
  base symmetrically-encrypted-value-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the encrypted value conforms to
    the 'encrypted-data-cms' type with the constraint
    that the 'unprotectedAttrs' value is not set.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652:
    Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)
    ITU-T X.690:
    Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
    Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
    Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
    Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

identity cms-enveloped-data-format {
  if-feature "cms-enveloped-data-format";
  base asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format;
  description
    "Indicates that the encrypted value conforms to the
    'enveloped-data-cms' type with the following constraints:

    The EnvelopedData structure MUST have exactly one
    'RecipientInfo'.

    If the asymmetric key supports public key cryptography
    (e.g., RSA), then the 'RecipientInfo' must be a
    'KeyTransRecipientInfo' with the 'RecipientIdentifier'
    using a 'subjectKeyIdentifier' with the value set using
    'method 1' in RFC 7093 over the recipient's public key.

    Otherwise, if the asymmetric key supports key agreement
    (e.g., Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC)), then the
    'RecipientInfo' must be a 'KeyAgreeRecipientInfo'. The
    'OriginatorIdentifierOrKey' value must use the
```

```

    'OriginatorPublicKey' alternative. The
    'UserKeyingMaterial' value must not be present. There
    must be exactly one 'RecipientEncryptedKeys' value
    having the 'KeyAgreeRecipientIdentifier' set to 'rKeyId'
    with the value set using 'method 1' in RFC 7093 over the
    recipient's public key.";
reference
  "RFC 5652:
    Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)
  RFC 7093:
    Additional Methods for Generating Key
    Identifiers Values
  ITU-T X.690:
    Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
    Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
    Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
    Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

/*****
/* Identities for Certificate Signing Request Formats */
*****/

identity csr-format {
  description
    "A base identity for the certificate signing request
    formats. Additional derived identities MAY be defined
    by future efforts.";
}

identity p10-csr-format {
  if-feature "p10-csr-format";
  base csr-format;
  description
    "Indicates the CertificationRequest structure
    defined in RFC 2986.";
  reference
    "RFC 2986: PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax
    Specification Version 1.7";
}

/*****
/* Typedefs for ASN.1 structures from RFC 2986 */
*****/

typedef csr-info {
  type binary;
  description
    "A CertificationRequestInfo structure, as defined in
    RFC 2986, encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding
    rules (DER), as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 2986:
      PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax
      Specification Version 1.7
    ITU-T X.690:
      Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:

```

```

        Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
        Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
        Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
    }

typedef p10-csr {
    type binary;
    description
        "A CertificationRequest structure, as specified in
        RFC 2986, encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding
        rules (DER), as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
    reference
        "RFC 2986:
        PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax Specification
        Version 1.7
        ITU-T X.690:
        Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
        Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
        Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
        Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

/*****
/*  Typedefs for ASN.1 structures from RFC 5280  */
*****/

typedef x509 {
    type binary;
    description
        "A Certificate structure, as specified in RFC 5280,
        encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules (DER),
        as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
    reference
        "RFC 5280:
        Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate
        and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile
        ITU-T X.690:
        Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
        Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
        Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
        Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

typedef crl {
    type binary;
    description
        "A CertificateList structure, as specified in RFC 5280,
        encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules (DER),
        as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
    reference
        "RFC 5280:
        Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate
        and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile
        ITU-T X.690:
        Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
        Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
        Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
        Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

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}

/*****
/* Typedefs for ASN.1 structures from RFC 6960 */
*****/

typedef oscp-request {
  type binary;
  description
    "A OCSPRequest structure, as specified in RFC 6960,
    encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules
    (DER), as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 6960:
    X.509 Internet Public Key Infrastructure Online
    Certificate Status Protocol - OCSP
    ITU-T X.690:
    Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
    Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
    Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
    Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

typedef oscp-response {
  type binary;
  description
    "A OCSPResponse structure, as specified in RFC 6960,
    encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules
    (DER), as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 6960:
    X.509 Internet Public Key Infrastructure Online
    Certificate Status Protocol - OCSP
    ITU-T X.690:
    Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
    Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
    Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
    Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}

/*****
/* Typedefs for ASN.1 structures from 5652 */
*****/

typedef cms {
  type binary;
  description
    "A ContentInfo structure, as specified in RFC 5652,
    encoded using ASN.1 distinguished encoding rules (DER),
    as specified in ITU-T X.690.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652:
    Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)
    ITU-T X.690:
    Information technology - ASN.1 encoding rules:
    Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
    Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
    Encoding Rules (DER) 02/2021";
}
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}

typedef data-content-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    data content type, as described in Section 4 of RFC 5652.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

typedef signed-data-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    signed-data content type, as described in Section 5 of
    RFC 5652.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

typedef enveloped-data-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    enveloped-data content type, as described in Section 6
    of RFC 5652.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

typedef digested-data-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    digested-data content type, as described in Section 7
    of RFC 5652.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

typedef encrypted-data-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    encrypted-data content type, as described in Section 8
    of RFC 5652.";
  reference
    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

typedef authenticated-data-cms {
  type cms;
  description
    "A CMS structure whose top-most content type MUST be the
    authenticated-data content type, as described in Section 9
    of RFC 5652.";
  reference
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    "RFC 5652: Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

/*****
/*  Typedefs for ASN.1 structures related to RFC 5280  */
*****/

typedef trust-anchor-cert-x509 {
    type x509;
    description
        "A Certificate structure that MUST encode a self-signed
        root certificate.";
}

typedef end-entity-cert-x509 {
    type x509;
    description
        "A Certificate structure that MUST encode a certificate
        that is neither self-signed nor has Basic constraint
        CA true.";
}

/*****
/*  Typedefs for ASN.1 structures related to RFC 5652  */
*****/

typedef trust-anchor-cert-cms {
    type signed-data-cms;
    description
        "A CMS SignedData structure that MUST contain the chain of
        X.509 certificates needed to authenticate the certificate
        presented by a client or end entity.

        The CMS MUST contain only a single chain of certificates.
        The client or end-entity certificate MUST only authenticate
        to the last intermediate CA certificate listed in the chain.

        In all cases, the chain MUST include a self-signed root
        certificate. In the case where the root certificate is
        itself the issuer of the client or end-entity certificate,
        only one certificate is present.

        This CMS structure MAY (as applicable where this type is
        used) also contain suitably fresh (as defined by local
        policy) revocation objects with which the device can
        verify the revocation status of the certificates.

        This CMS encodes the degenerate form of the SignedData
        structure (RFC 5652, Section 5.2) that is commonly used
        to disseminate X.509 certificates and revocation objects
        (RFC 5280).";
    reference
        "RFC 5280:
        Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate
        and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile
        RFC 5652:
        Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

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typedef end-entity-cert-cms {
  type signed-data-cms;
  description
    "A CMS SignedData structure that MUST contain the end-entity
    certificate itself and MAY contain any number
    of intermediate certificates leading up to a trust
    anchor certificate. The trust anchor certificate
    MAY be included as well.

    The CMS MUST contain a single end-entity certificate.
    The CMS MUST NOT contain any spurious certificates.

    This CMS structure MAY (as applicable where this type is
    used) also contain suitably fresh (as defined by local
    policy) revocation objects with which the device can
    verify the revocation status of the certificates.

    This CMS encodes the degenerate form of the SignedData
    structure (RFC 5652, Section 5.2) that is commonly
    used to disseminate X.509 certificates and revocation
    objects (RFC 5280).";

  reference
    "RFC 5280:
     Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate
     and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Profile
    RFC 5652:
     Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)";
}

/*****/
/*  Groupings  */
/*****/

grouping encrypted-value-grouping {
  description
    "A reusable grouping for a value that has been encrypted by
    a referenced symmetric or asymmetric key.";
  container encrypted-by {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    description
      "An empty container enabling a reference to the key that
      encrypted the value to be augmented in. The referenced
      key MUST be a symmetric key or an asymmetric key.

      A symmetric key MUST be referenced via a leaf node called
      'symmetric-key-ref'. An asymmetric key MUST be referenced
      via a leaf node called 'asymmetric-key-ref'.

      The leaf nodes MUST be direct descendants in the data tree
      and MAY be direct descendants in the schema tree (e.g.,
      'choice'/'case' statements are allowed but not a
      container).";
  }
  leaf encrypted-value-format {
    type identityref {
      base encrypted-value-format;
    }
  }
}

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    }
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Identifies the format of the 'encrypted-value' leaf.

      If 'encrypted-by' points to a symmetric key, then an
      identity based on 'symmetrically-encrypted-value-format'
      MUST be set (e.g., 'cms-encrypted-data-format').

      If 'encrypted-by' points to an asymmetric key, then an
      identity based on 'asymmetrically-encrypted-value-format'
      MUST be set (e.g., 'cms-enveloped-data-format').";
  }
  leaf encrypted-value {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    type binary;
    must '../encrypted-by';
    mandatory true;
    description
      "The value, encrypted using the referenced symmetric
      or asymmetric key. The value MUST be encoded using
      the format associated with the 'encrypted-value-format'
      leaf.";
  }
}

grouping password-grouping {
  description
    "A password used for authenticating to a remote system.

    The 'ianach:crypt-hash' typedef from RFC 7317 should be
    used instead when needing a password to authenticate a
    local account.";
  choice password-type {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Choice between password types.";
    case cleartext-password {
      if-feature "cleartext-passwords";
      leaf cleartext-password {
        nacm:default-deny-all;
        type string;
        description
          "The cleartext value of the password.";
      }
    }
    case encrypted-password {
      if-feature "encrypted-passwords";
      container encrypted-password {
        description
          "A container for the encrypted password value.";
        uses encrypted-value-grouping;
      }
    }
  }
}

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grouping symmetric-key-grouping {
  description
    "A symmetric key.";
  leaf key-format {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    type identityref {
      base symmetric-key-format;
    }
    description
      "Identifies the symmetric key's format. Implementations
      SHOULD ensure that the incoming symmetric key value is
      encoded in the specified format.

      For encrypted keys, the value is the decrypted key's
      format (i.e., the 'encrypted-value-format' conveys the
      encrypted key's format).";
  }
  choice key-type {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Choice between key types.";
    case cleartext-symmetric-key {
      leaf cleartext-symmetric-key {
        if-feature "cleartext-symmetric-keys";
        nacm:default-deny-all;
        type binary;
        must '../key-format';
        description
          "The binary value of the key. The interpretation of
          the value is defined by the 'key-format' field.";
      }
    }
    case hidden-symmetric-key {
      if-feature "hidden-symmetric-keys";
      leaf hidden-symmetric-key {
        type empty;
        must 'not(..key-format)';
        description
          "A hidden key is not exportable and not extractable;
          therefore, it is of type 'empty' as its value is
          inaccessible via management interfaces. Though hidden
          to users, such keys are not hidden to the server and
          may be referenced by configuration to indicate which
          key a server should use for a cryptographic operation.
          How such keys are created is outside the scope of this
          module.";
      }
    }
    case encrypted-symmetric-key {
      if-feature "encrypted-symmetric-keys";
      container encrypted-symmetric-key {
        must '../key-format';
        description
          "A container for the encrypted symmetric key value.
          The interpretation of the 'encrypted-value' node
          is via the 'key-format' node";
        uses encrypted-value-grouping;
      }
    }
  }
}
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    }
  }
}

grouping public-key-grouping {
  description
    "A public key.";
  leaf public-key-format {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    type identityref {
      base public-key-format;
    }
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Identifies the public key's format. Implementations SHOULD
      ensure that the incoming public key value is encoded in the
      specified format.";
  }
  leaf public-key {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    type binary;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "The binary value of the public key. The interpretation
      of the value is defined by the 'public-key-format' field.";
  }
}

grouping private-key-grouping {
  description
    "A private key.";
  leaf private-key-format {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    type identityref {
      base private-key-format;
    }
    description
      "Identifies the private key's format. Implementations SHOULD
      ensure that the incoming private key value is encoded in the
      specified format.

      For encrypted keys, the value is the decrypted key's
      format (i.e., the 'encrypted-value-format' conveys the
      encrypted key's format).";
  }
  choice private-key-type {
    nacm:default-deny-write;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Choice between key types.";
    case cleartext-private-key {
      if-feature "cleartext-private-keys";
      leaf cleartext-private-key {
        nacm:default-deny-all;
        type binary;
        must '../private-key-format';
        description

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        "The value of the binary key. The key's value is
        interpreted by the 'private-key-format' field.";
    }
}
case hidden-private-key {
  if-feature "hidden-private-keys";
  leaf hidden-private-key {
    type empty;
    must 'not(..private-key-format)';
    description
      "A hidden key. It is of type 'empty' as its value is
      inaccessible via management interfaces. Though hidden
      to users, such keys are not hidden to the server and
      may be referenced by configuration to indicate which
      key a server should use for a cryptographic operation.
      How such keys are created is outside the scope of this
      module.";
  }
}
case encrypted-private-key {
  if-feature "encrypted-private-keys";
  container encrypted-private-key {
    must 'private-key-format';
    description
      "A container for the encrypted asymmetric private key
      value. The interpretation of the 'encrypted-value'
      node is via the 'private-key-format' node";
    uses encrypted-value-grouping;
  }
}
}
}
}
}

grouping asymmetric-key-pair-grouping {
  description
    "A private key and, optionally, its associated public key.
    Implementations MUST ensure that the two keys, when both
    are specified, are a matching pair.";
  uses public-key-grouping {
    refine "public-key-format" {
      mandatory false;
    }
    refine "public-key" {
      mandatory false;
    }
  }
  uses private-key-grouping;
}

grouping certificate-expiration-grouping {
  description
    "A notification for when a certificate is about to expire or
    has already expired.";
  notification certificate-expiration {
    if-feature "certificate-expiration-notification";
    description
      "A notification indicating that the configured certificate
      is either about to expire or has already expired. When to

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    send notifications is an implementation-specific decision,
    but it is RECOMMENDED that a notification be sent once a
    month for 3 months, then once a week for four weeks, and
    then once a day thereafter until the issue is resolved.

    If the certificate's issuer maintains a Certificate
    Revocation List (CRL), the expiration notification MAY
    be sent if the CRL is about to expire.";
  leaf expiration-date {
    type yang:date-and-time;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Identifies the expiration date on the certificate.";
  }
}

grouping trust-anchor-cert-grouping {
  description
    "A trust anchor certificate and a notification for when
    it is about to expire or has already expired.";
  leaf cert-data {
    nacm:default-deny-all;
    type trust-anchor-cert-cms;
    description
      "The binary certificate data for this certificate.";
  }
  uses certificate-expiration-grouping;
}

grouping end-entity-cert-grouping {
  description
    "An end-entity certificate and a notification for when
    it is about to expire or has already expired. Implementations
    SHOULD assert that, where used, the end-entity certificate
    contains the expected public key.";
  leaf cert-data {
    nacm:default-deny-all;
    type end-entity-cert-cms;
    description
      "The binary certificate data for this certificate.";
  }
  uses certificate-expiration-grouping;
}

grouping generate-csr-grouping {
  description
    "Defines the 'generate-csr' action.";
  action generate-csr {
    if-feature "csr-generation";
    nacm:default-deny-all;
    description
      "Generates a certificate signing request structure for
      the associated asymmetric key using the passed subject
      and attribute values."
  }
}
```

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    This 'action' statement is only available when the
    associated 'public-key-format' node's value is
    'subject-public-key-info-format.';
input {
  leaf csr-format {
    type identityref {
      base csr-format;
    }
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Specifies the format for the returned certificate.";
  }
  leaf csr-info {
    type csr-info;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "A CertificationRequestInfo structure, as defined in
      RFC 2986.

      Enables the client to provide a fully populated
      CertificationRequestInfo structure that the server
      only needs to sign in order to generate the complete
      CertificationRequest structure to return in the
      'output'.

      The 'AlgorithmIdentifier' field contained inside
      the 'SubjectPublicKeyInfo' field MUST be one known
      to be supported by the device.";
    reference
      "RFC 2986:
       PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax Specification
      RFC 9640:
       YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography";
  }
}
output {
  choice csr-type {
    mandatory true;
    description
      "A choice amongst certificate signing request formats.
      Additional formats MAY be augmented into this 'choice'
      statement by future efforts.";
    case p10-csr {
      leaf p10-csr {
        type p10-csr;
        description
          "A CertificationRequest, as defined in RFC 2986.";
      }
      description
        "A CertificationRequest, as defined in RFC 2986.";
      reference
        "RFC 2986:
         PKCS #10: Certification Request Syntax Specification
        RFC 9640:
         YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography";
    }
  }
}

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    }  
  } // generate-csr-grouping  
  
  grouping asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping {  
    description  
      "A private/public key pair and an associated certificate.  
      Implementations MUST assert that the certificate contains  
      the matching public key.";  
    uses asymmetric-key-pair-grouping;  
    uses end-entity-cert-grouping;  
    uses generate-csr-grouping;  
  } // asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping  
  
  grouping asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping {  
    description  
      "A private/public key pair and a list of associated  
      certificates. Implementations MUST assert that  
      certificates contain the matching public key.";  
    uses asymmetric-key-pair-grouping;  
    container certificates {  
      nacm:default-deny-write;  
      description  
        "Certificates associated with this asymmetric key.";  
      list certificate {  
        key "name";  
        description  
          "A certificate for this asymmetric key.";  
        leaf name {  
          type string;  
          description  
            "An arbitrary name for the certificate.";  
        }  
        uses end-entity-cert-grouping {  
          refine "cert-data" {  
            mandatory true;  
          }  
        }  
      }  
    }  
    uses generate-csr-grouping;  
  } // asymmetric-key-pair-with-certs-grouping  
}  
  
<CODE ENDS>
```

## 3. Security Considerations

### 3.1. No Support for CRMF

This document uses PKCS #10 [RFC2986] for the "generate-certificate-signing-request" action. The use of Certificate Request Message Format (CRMF) [RFC4211] was considered, but it was unclear if there was market demand for it. If it is desired to support CRMF in the future, a backwards compatible solution can be defined at that time.



### 3.2. No Support for Key Generation

Early revisions of this document included "rpc" statements for generating symmetric and asymmetric keys. These statements were removed due to an inability to obtain consensus for how to generically identify the key algorithm to use. Hence, the solution presented in this document only supports keys to be configured via an external client.

Separate protocol-specific modules can present protocol-specific key-generating RPCs (e.g., the "generate-public-key" RPC in [RFC9644] and [RFC9645]).

### 3.3. Unconstrained Public Key Usage

This module defines the "public-key-grouping" grouping, which enables the configuration of public keys without constraints on their usage, e.g., what operations the key is allowed to be used for (e.g., encryption, verification, or both).

The "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping uses the aforementioned "public-key-grouping" grouping and carries the same traits.

The "asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping" grouping uses the aforementioned "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping, whereby associated certificates **MUST** constrain the usage of the public key according to local policy.

### 3.4. Unconstrained Private Key Usage

This module defines the "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping, which enables the configuration of private keys without constraints on their usage, e.g., what operations the key is allowed to be used for (e.g., signature, decryption, or both).

The "asymmetric-key-pair-with-cert-grouping" grouping uses the aforementioned "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping, whereby configured certificates (e.g., identity certificates) may constrain the use of the public key according to local policy.

### 3.5. Cleartext Passwords and Keys

The module contained within this document enables, only when specific "feature" statements are enabled, for the cleartext value of passwords and keys to be stored in the configuration database. Storing cleartext values for passwords and keys is **NOT RECOMMENDED**.

### 3.6. Encrypting Passwords and Keys

The module contained within this document enables cleartext passwords and keys to be encrypted via another key, either symmetric or asymmetric. Both formats use a CMS structure (EncryptedData and EnvelopedData, respectively), which allows any encryption algorithm to be used.

To securely encrypt a password or key with a symmetric key, a proper block cipher mode, such as an Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data (AEAD) or Cipher Block Chaining (CBC), **MUST** be used. This ensures that a random Initialization Vector (IV) is part of the input, which guarantees that the output for encrypting the same password or key still produces a different unpredictable ciphertext. This avoids leaking that some encrypted keys or passwords are the same and makes it much harder to pre-generate rainbow tables to brute-force attack weak passwords. The Electronic Codebook (ECB) block cipher mode **MUST NOT** be used.

### 3.7. Deletion of Cleartext Key Values

This module defines storage for cleartext key values that **SHOULD** be zeroized when deleted so as to prevent the remnants of their persisted storage locations from being analyzed in any meaningful way.

The cleartext key values are the "cleartext-symmetric-key" node defined in the "symmetric-key-grouping" grouping ([Section 2.1.4.3](#)) and the "cleartext-private-key" node defined in the "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping ([Section 2.1.4.6](#)).

### 3.8. Considerations for the "ietf-crypto-types" YANG Module

This section follows the template defined in [Section 3.7.1](#) of [\[RFC8407\]](#).

The YANG module in this document defines "grouping" statements that are designed to be accessed via YANG-based management protocols, such as NETCONF [\[RFC6241\]](#) and RESTCONF [\[RFC8040\]](#). Both of these protocols have mandatory-to-implement secure transport layers (e.g., SSH, TLS) with mutual authentication.

The Network Configuration Access Control Model (NACM) [\[RFC8341\]](#) provides the means to restrict access for particular users to a preconfigured subset of all available protocol operations and content.

Since the module in this document only defines groupings, these considerations are primarily for the designers of other modules that use these groupings.

Some of the readable data nodes defined in this YANG module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control read access (e.g., via get, get-config, or notification) to these data nodes. The following subtrees and data nodes have particular sensitivity/vulnerability:

- The "cleartext-password" node:

The "cleartext-password" node defined in the "password-grouping" grouping is additionally sensitive to read operations such that, in normal use cases, it should never be returned to a client. For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-all" has been applied to it.

- The "cleartext-symmetric-key" node:

The "cleartext-symmetric-key" node defined in the "symmetric-key-grouping" grouping is additionally sensitive to read operations such that, in normal use cases, it should never be returned to a client. For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-all" has been applied to it.

- The "cleartext-private-key" node:

The "cleartext-private-key" node defined in the "asymmetric-key-pair-grouping" grouping is additionally sensitive to read operations such that, in normal use cases, it should never be returned to a client. For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-all" has been applied to it.

- The "cert-data" node:

The "cert-data" node defined in both the "trust-anchor-cert-grouping" and "end-entity-cert-grouping" groupings is additionally sensitive to read operations, as certificates may provide insight into which other resources/applications/servers this particular server communicates with, as well as potentially divulge personally identifying information (e.g., end-entity certificates). For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-all" has been applied to it.

All the writable data nodes defined by all the groupings defined in this module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. For instance, even the modification of a public key or a certificate can dramatically alter the implemented security policy. For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-write" has been applied to all the data nodes defined in the module.

Some of the operations in this YANG module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control access to these operations. These are the operations and their sensitivity/vulnerability:

- generate-certificate-signing-request:

This "action" statement **SHOULD** only be executed by authorized users. For this reason, the NACM extension "default-deny-all" has been applied. Note that NACM uses "default-deny-all" to protect "rpc" and "action" statements; it does not define, e.g., an extension called "default-deny-execute".

For this action, it is **RECOMMENDED** that implementations assert channel binding [RFC5056] so as to ensure that the application layer that sent the request is the same as the device authenticated when the secure transport layer was established.

## 4. IANA Considerations

### 4.1. The IETF XML Registry

IANA has registered the following URI in the "ns" registry of the "IETF XML Registry" [RFC3688].

URI: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types  
Registrant Contact: The IESG  
XML: N/A; the requested URI is an XML namespace.

## 4.2. The YANG Module Names Registry

IANA has registered the following YANG module in the "YANG Module Names" registry [[RFC6020](#)].

Name: ietf-crypto-types  
Namespace: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-crypto-types  
Prefix: ct  
Reference: RFC 9640

## 5. References

### 5.1. Normative References

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