

## DFS PORTION of FCC 47 CFR PART 15 SUBPART E DFS PORTION of INDUSTRY CANADA RSS-247 ISSUE 2

**TEST REPORT** 

FOR

EUT is an 802.11 a/b/g/n (HT20) 2x2 client device

**MODEL NUMBER: \$37** 

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# **1. ATTESTATION OF TEST RESULTS**

COMPANY NAME:	Sonos 614 Chapala Street Santa Barbara, CA, 93101, USA		
<b>EUT DESCRIPTION:</b> 802.11 a/b/g/n (HT20) 2x2 client device			
MODEL:	S37		
SERIAL NUMBER:	F0-F6-C1-00-06-88		
<b>DATE TESTED:</b> 2022-01-12			
	APPLICABLE STANDARDS		
ST	ANDARD	TEST RESULTS	
DFS Portion of CI	FR 47 Part 15 Subpart E	Complies	

DFS Portion of INDUSTRY CANADA RSS-247 Issue 2

UL LLC tested the above equipment in accordance with the requirements set forth in the above standards. The test results show that the equipment tested is capable of demonstrating compliance with the requirements as documented in this report.

The results documented in this report apply only to the tested sample, under the conditions and modes of operation as described herein. It is the manufacturer's responsibility to assure that additional production units of this model are manufactured with identical electrical and mechanical components. All samples tested were in good operating condition throughout the entire test program. Measurement Uncertainties are published for informational purposes only and were not taken into account unless noted otherwise.

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# 2. TEST METHODOLOGY

The tests documented in this report were performed in accordance with the DFS portion of FCC CFR 47 Part 2, FCC CFR 47 Part 15, FCC KDB 789033, KDB 905462 D02 and D03 and RSS-247 Issue 2.

# 3. SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS

Requirement Description	Result	Remarks
DFS Portion of FCC 47 CFR PART 15 SUBPART E	Complies	None
DFS Portion of INDUSTRY CANADA RSS-247	Complies	None
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# 4. REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Measurements of transmitter parameters as referenced in this report and all other manufacturer's declarations relevant to the RF test requirements were declared directly by the manufacturer. Please refer to the manufacturer for documentation.

This report contains data provided by the customer which can impact the validity of results. UL LLC is only responsible for the validity of results after the integration of the data provided by the customer.

# 5. FACILITIES AND ACCREDITATION

The test sites and measurement facilities used to collect data are located at 2800 Suite B, Perimeter Park Dr., Morrisville, NC 27560.

UL LLC (Morrisville) is accredited by A2LA, Certificate Number 0751.06.

# 6. DECISION RULES AND MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY

## 6.1. METROLOGICAL TRACEABILITY

All test and measuring equipment utilized to perform the tests documented in this report are calibrated on a regular basis, with a maximum time between calibrations of one year or the manufacturers' recommendation, whichever is less, and where applicable is traceable to recognized national standards.

# 6.2. DECISION RULES

The Decision Rule is based on Simple Acceptance in accordance with ISO Guide 98-4:2012 Clause 8.2. (Measurement uncertainty is not taken into account when stating conformity with a specified requirement).

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# 7. DYNAMIC FREQUENCY SELECTION

## 7.1. OVERVIEW

## 7.1.1. LIMITS

## INDUSTRY CANADA

IC RSS-247 is closely harmonized with FCC Part 15 DFS rules. The deviations are as follows:

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Note: For the band 5600–5650 MHz, no operation is permitted.

Until further notice, devices subject to this annex shall not be capable of transmitting in the band 5600–5650 MHz. This restriction is for the protection of Environment Canada weather radars operating in this band.

## FCC

§15.407 (h), FCC KDB 905462 D02 "COMPLIANCE MEASUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR UNLICENSED-NATIONAL INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE DEVICES OPERATING IN THE 5250-5350 MHz AND 5470-5725 MHz BANDS INCORPORATING DYNAMIC FREQUENCY SELECTION" and KDB 905462 D03 "U-NII CLIENT DEVICES WITHOUT RADAR DETECTION CAPABILITY".

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## Table 1: Applicability of DFS requirements prior to use of a channel

Requirement	Operational Mode			
	Master	Client (without radar detection)	Client (with radar detection)	
Non-Occupancy Period	Yes	Not required	Yes	
DFS Detection Threshold	Yes	Not required	Yes	
Channel Availability Check Time	Yes	Not required	Not required	
U-NII Detection Bandwidth	Yes	Not required	Yes	

## Table 2: Applicability of DFS requirements during normal operation

Requirement	Operational Mode			
	Master	Client (without DFS)	Client (with DFS)	
DEC Datastian Threshold	Vee			
DFS Detection Threshold	Yes	Not required	Yes	
Channel Closing Transmission Time	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Channel Move Time	Yes	Yes	Yes	
U-NII Detection Bandwidth	Yes	Not required	Yes	

Additional requirements for	Master Device or Client with	Client			
devices with multiple bandwidth	Radar DFS	(without DFS)			
modes					
U-NII Detection Bandwidth and	All BW modes must be	Not required			
Statistical Performance Check	tested				
Channel Move Time and Channel	Test using widest BW mode	Test using the			
Closing Transmission Time	available	widest BW mode			
		available for the link			
All other tests	Any single BW mode	Not required			
Note: Frequencies selected for statist					
several frequencies within the radar detection bandwidth and frequencies near the edge of the					
radar detection bandwidth. For 802.1					
MHz channel blocks and a null freque	ency between the bonded 20 MHz	channel blocks.			

# Table 3: Interference Threshold values, Master or Client incorporating In-Service Monitoring

Maximum Transmit Power	Value		
	(see notes)		
E.I.R.P. ≥ 200 mill watt	-64 dBm		
E.I.R.P. < 200 mill watt and	-62 dBm		
power spectral density < 10 dBm/MHz			
E.I.R.P. < 200 mill watt that do not meet power spectral	-64 dBm		
density requirement			
<b>Note 1:</b> This is the level at the input of the receiver assuming a 0 dBi receive antenna <b>Note 2:</b> Throughout these test procedures an additional 1 dB has been added to the amplitude of the test transmission waveforms to account for variations in measurement equipment. This will ensure that the test signal is at or above the detection threshold level to trigger a DFS			
response. <b>Note 3:</b> E.I.R.P. is based on the highest antenna gain. For MI publication 662911 D01.	MO devices refer to KDB		

Table 4: DFS	Response	requirement values

Parameter	Value
Non-occupancy period	30 minutes
Channel Availability Check Time	60 seconds
Channel Move Time	10 seconds (See Note 1)
Channel Closing Transmission Time	200 milliseconds + approx. 60 milliseconds over remaining 10 second period. (See Notes 1 and 2)
U-NII Detection Bandwidth	Minimum 100% of the U- NII 99% transmission power bandwidth. (See Note 3)

**Note 1:** *Channel Move Time* and the *Channel Closing Transmission Time* should be performed with Radar Type 0. The measurement timing begins at the end of the Radar Type 0 burst.

**Note 2:** The *Channel Closing Transmission Time* is comprised of 200 milliseconds starting at the beginning of the *Channel Move Time* plus any additional intermittent control signals required to facilitate a *Channel* move (an aggregate of 60 milliseconds) during the remainder of the 10 second period. The aggregate duration of control signals will not count quiet periods in between transmissions.

**Note 3:** During the *U-NII Detection Bandwidth* detection test, radar type 0 should be used. For each frequency step the minimum percentage of detection is 90 percent. Measurements are performed with no data traffic.

## Table 5 – Short Pulse Radar Test Waveforms

Radar	Pulse	PRI	Pulses	Minimum	Minimum
Туре	Width	(usec)		Percentage	Trials
	(usec)			of Successful	
				Detection	
0	1	1428	18	See Note 1	See Note
					1
1	1	Test A: 15 unique		60%	30
		PRI values randomly			
		selected from the list	Roundup		
		of 23 PRI values in	{(1/360) x (19 x 10 <sup>6</sup> PRI <sub>usec</sub> )}		
		table 5a			
		Test B: 15 unique			
		PRI values randomly			
		selected within the			
		range of 518-3066			
		usec. With a			
		minimum increment			
		of 1 usec, excluding			
		PRI values selected			
		in Test A			
2	1-5	150-230	23-29	60%	30
3	6-10	200-500	16-18	60%	30
4	11-20	200-500	12-16	60%	30
		Aggregate (Radar T	ypes 1-4)	80%	120
			ld be used for the <i>Detection Bai</i>	ndwidth test, Ch	annel
Move T	<i>ime</i> , and	Channel Closing Time to	ests.		

Table 6 – Long Pulse Radar Test Signal

			<u>v</u>		2		
Radar	Pulse	Chirp	PRI	Pulses	Number	Minimum	Minimum
Waveform	Width	Width	(µsec)	per	of	Percentage	Trials
Туре	(µsec)	(MHz)	. ,	Burst	Bursts	of Successful	
		· · ·				Detection	
5	50-100	5-20	1000-	1-3	8-20	80%	30
			2000				

#### Table 7 – Frequency Hopping Radar Test Signal

Radar	Pulse	PRI	Pulses	Hopping	Hopping	Minimum	Minimum
Waveform	Width	(µsec)	per	Rate	Sequence	Percentage of	Trials
Туре	(µsec)		Нор	(kHz)	Length	Successful	
			-	. ,	(msec)	Detection	
6	1	333	9	0.333	300	70%	30

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## 7.1.2. TEST AND MEASUREMENT SYSTEM

### SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The short pulse and long pulse signal generating system utilizes the NTIA software. The Vector Signal Generator has been validated by the NTIA. The hopping signal generating system utilizes the CCS simulated hopping method and system, which has been validated by the DoD, FCC and NTIA. The software selects waveform parameters from within the bounds of the signal type on a random basis using uniform distribution.

The short pulse types 1, 2, 3 and 4, and the long pulse type 5 parameters are randomized at run-time.

The hopping type 6 pulse parameters are fixed while the hopping sequence is based on the August 2005 NTIA Hopping Frequency List. The initial starting point randomized at run-time and each subsequent starting point is incremented by 475. Each frequency in the 100-length segment is compared to the boundaries of the EUT Detection Bandwidth and the software creates a hopping burst pattern in accordance with Section 7.4.1.3 Method #2 Simulated Frequency Hopping Radar Waveform Generating Subsystem of KDB 905462 D02. The frequency of the signal generator is incremented in 1 MHz steps from  $F_L$  to  $F_H$  for each successive trial. This incremental sequence is repeated as required to generate a minimum of 30 total trials and to maintain a uniform frequency distribution over the entire Detection Bandwidth.

The signal monitoring equipment consists of a spectrum analyzer. The aggregate ON time is calculated by multiplying the number of bins above a threshold during a particular observation period by the dwell time per bin, with the analyzer set to peak detection and max hold.

#### SYSTEM CALIBRATION

A 50-ohm load is connected in place of the spectrum analyzer, and the spectrum analyzer is connected to a horn antenna via a coaxial cable, with the reference level offset set to (horn antenna gain – coaxial cable loss). The signal generator is set to CW mode. The amplitude of the signal generator is adjusted to yield a level of –64 dBm as measured on the spectrum analyzer.

Without changing any of the instrument settings, the spectrum analyzer is reconnected to the Common port of the Spectrum Analyzer Combiner/Divider. The Reference Level Offset of the spectrum analyzer is adjusted so that the displayed amplitude of the signal is –64 dBm.

The spectrum analyzer displays the level of the signal generator as received at the antenna ports of the Master Device. The interference detection threshold may be varied from the calibrated value of –64 dBm and the spectrum analyzer will still indicate the level as received by the Master Device.

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#### ADJUSTMENT OF DISPLAYED TRAFFIC LEVEL

A link is established between the Master and Slave and the distance between the units is adjusted as needed to provide a suitable received level at the Master and Slave devices. Traffic that meets or exceed the minimum loading requirement is streamed from the Master device to the Slave Device. The monitoring antenna is adjusted so that the WLAN traffic level, as displayed on the spectrum analyzer, is at lower amplitude than the radar detection threshold.

#### TEST AND MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT

The following test and measurement equipment was utilized for the tests documented in this report:

TEST EQUIPMENT LIST					
Description	Manufacturer	Model	ID No.	Cal Due	
Spectrum Analyzer, PXA, 3Hz to 8.4GHz	Keysight	N9030A	SA0021	06/25/22	
Signal Generator, MXG, 9kHz to 6GHz	Keysight	N5182B	SIG003	04/06/22	
	Advanced	250-		ľ	
2.5-7.5 GHz Horn Antenna	Technical	441EM-	AT0071	04/07/22	
	Materials INC.	NF/CAL			
Temperature /Humidity Meter	Fisher	HI0096	181562858	09/21/22	
	Scientific	1110090	101302030	03/21/22	

## 7.1.3. TEST AND MEASUREMENT SOFTWARE

The following test and measurement software was utilized for the tests documented in this report:

TEST SOFTWARE LIST				
Name V		Test / Function		
Aggregate Time-PXA	3.1	Channel Loading and Aggregate Closing Time		
PXA Read	3.1	Signal Generator Screen Capture		
SGXProject.exe	1.7	Radar Waveform Generation and Download		

## 7.1.4. TEST ROOM ENVIRONMENT

The test room temperature and humidity shall be maintained within normal temperature of 15~35 °C and normal humidity 20~75% (relative humidity).

#### ENVIRONMENT CONDITION

Parameter	Value	
Temperature	22.7 °C	
Humidity	25 %	

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## 7.1.5. SETUP OF EUT

## SUPPORT EQUIPMENT

The following support equipment was utilized for the tests documented in this report:

PERIPHERAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT LIST					
Description	Manufacturer	Model	Serial Number		
Master Device	Sonos	S14	94-9F-3E-C0-07-20-4		
Control Laptop	Lenovo	T440p	PC-02CSDF		
Laptop Power Supply	Lenovo	ADLX90NLC2A	N/A		
ENET Switch	Netgear	GS108	3TX2857B97B4C		
ENET Switch Power Supply	TP-Link	T120200-2B1	N/A		

#### SETUP DIAGRAMS

Please refer to R14143360-DP1 for setup diagrams

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## 7.1.6. DESCRIPTION OF EUT

For FCC the EUT operates over the 5250-5350 MHz and 5470-5725 MHz ranges.

For IC the EUT operates over the 5250-5350 MHz and 5470-5725 MHz ranges, excluding the 5600-5650 MHz range.

The EUT is a Slave Device without Radar Detection.

The antenna(s) gain and type, as provided by the manufacturer' are as follows:

The highest gain antenna assembly utilized with the EUT has a gain of 4.8 dBi in the 5250-5350 MHz band and 5.1 dBi in the 5470-5725 MHz band. The lowest gain antenna assembly utilized with the EUT has a gain of 4.0 dBi in the 5250-5350 MHz band and 3.5 dBi in the 5470-5725 MHz band.

Two identical antennas are utilized to meet the diversity and MIMO operational requirements.

The rated output power of the Master unit is > 23dBm (EIRP). Therefore the required interference threshold level is -64 dBm. After correction for procedural adjustments, the required radiated threshold at the antenna port is -64 + 1 = -63 dBm.

The calibrated radiated DFS Detection Threshold level is set to –64 dBm. The tested level is lower than the required level hence it provides a margin to the limit.

The EUT uses two transmitter/receiver chains each connected to an antenna to perform radiated tests.

WLAN traffic that meets or exceeds the minimum required loading was generated by transferring a data stream from the Master Device to the Slave Device using iPerf version 2.0.2 software package.

TPC is not required since the maximum EIRP is less than 500 mW (27 dBm).

The EUT utilizes the 802.11a/n architecture. One nominal channel bandwidth, 20 MHz, is implemented.

The firmware installed in the EUT is Sonos OS S2 v14.12.

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#### UNIFORM CHANNEL SPREADING

This is requirement not applicable to Slave Devices.

#### **OVERVIEW OF MASTER DEVICE WITH RESPECT TO §15.407 (h) REQUIREMENTS**

The Master Device is a Sonos Wireless Smart Speaker, FCC ID: SBVRM014. The minimum antenna gain for the Master Device is 2.92 dBi.

The rated output power of the Master unit is > 23dBm (EIRP). Therefore the required interference threshold level is -64 dBm. After correction for procedural adjustments, the required radiated threshold at the antenna port is -64 + 1 = -63 dBm.

The calibrated radiated DFS Detection Threshold level is set to –64 dBm. The tested level is lower than the required level hence it provides a margin to the limit.

The firmware installed in the Master Device is Sonos OS S2 v14.12.

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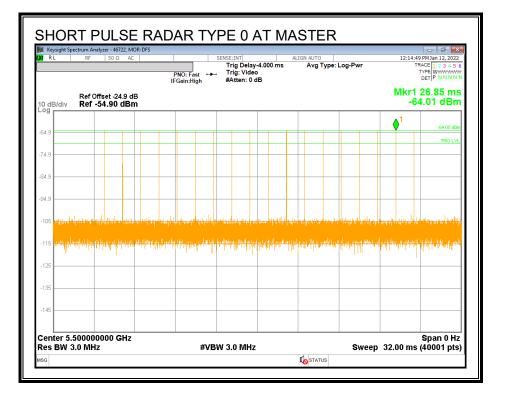
## 7.2. RESULTS FOR 20 MHz BANDWIDTH

## 7.2.1. TEST CHANNEL

All tests were performed at a channel center frequency of 5500 MHz.

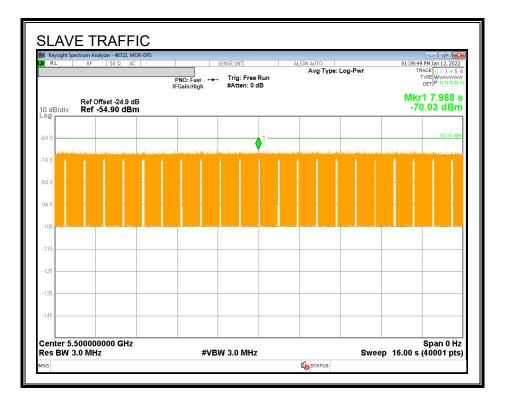
## 7.2.2. RADAR WAVEFORM AND TRAFFIC

### RADAR WAVEFORM



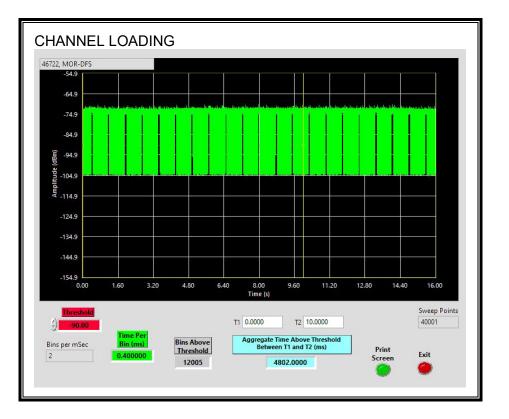
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#### **TRAFFIC**



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#### **CHANNEL LOADING**



The level of traffic loading on the channel by the EUT is 48.02%

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## 7.2.3. OVERLAPPING CHANNEL TESTS

#### **RESULTS**

These tests are not applicable.

## 7.2.4. MOVE AND CLOSING TIME

#### REPORTING NOTES

The reference marker is set at the end of last radar pulse.

The delta marker is set at the end of the last WLAN transmission following the radar pulse. This delta is the channel move time.

The aggregate channel closing transmission time is calculated as follows:

Aggregate Transmission Time = (Number of analyzer bins showing transmission) \* (dwell time per bin)

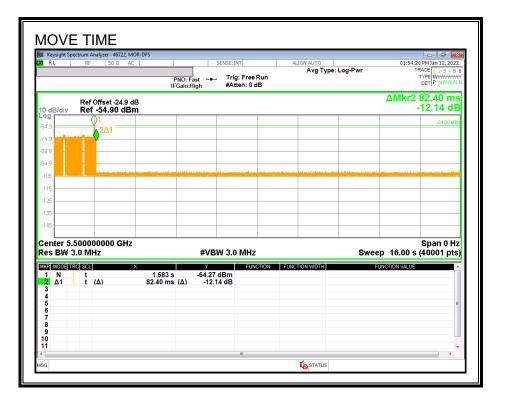
The observation period over which the aggregate time is calculated begins at (Reference Marker + 200 msec) and ends no earlier than (Reference Marker + 10 sec).

#### **RESULTS**

Channel Move Time	Limit
(sec)	(sec)
0.0824	10

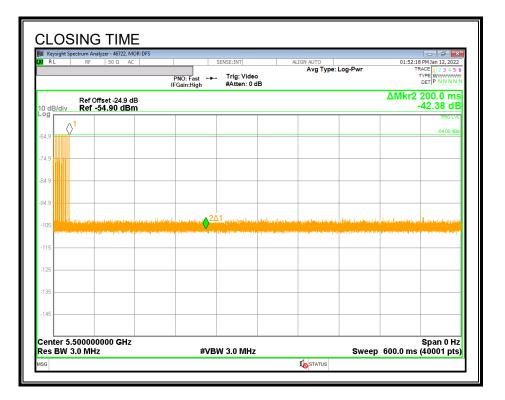
Aggregate Channel Closing Transmission Time	Limit
(msec)	(msec)
0	60

#### **MOVE TIME**



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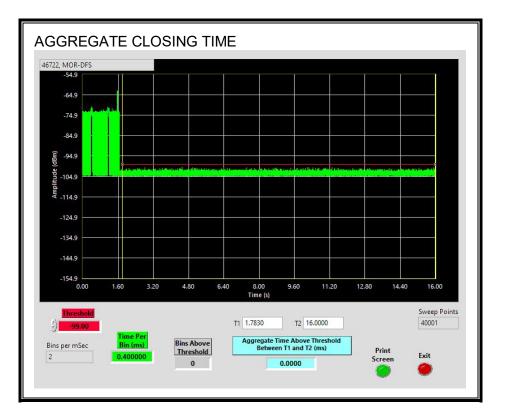
#### **CHANNEL CLOSING TIME**



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#### AGGREGATE CHANNEL CLOSING TRANSMISSION TIME

No transmissions are observed during the aggregate monitoring period.

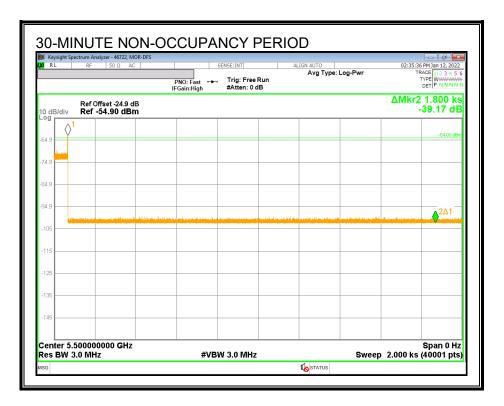


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## 7.2.1. 30-MINUTE NON-OCCUPANCY PERIOD

#### **RESULTS**

No EUT transmissions were observed on the test channel during the 30-minute observation time.



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# 8. SETUP PHOTOS

Please refer to R14143360-DP1 for setup photos

# END OF TEST REPORT

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